



BEWARE... of the **HIGH CO\$T** of a **CHEAP** Price!

The 19th century social commentator John Ruskin probably said it best when he stated, "It's unwise to pay too much, but it is worse to pay too little. When you pay too much, you lose a little money — that is all. When you pay too little, you sometimes lose everything, because the thing you bought was incapable of doing the thing it was bought to do. If you deal with the lowest bidder, it is well to add something for the risk you run. And if you do that, you will have enough to pay for something better."

Sometimes bargain hunting nets you a great deal, but other times the gamble is simply not worth the risk. This is often the case when we are hiring the services of another person or company. While it is true that we want to get the best value for money spent, we still expect quality and performance for little money. Unfortunately, choosing the cheapest price often leads to hidden expenses and compromised quality or worse!

There is a saying that when you hire the services of another you can have two of the following three things: You can have it on time, on budget, or done right. You can never, the saying goes, achieve all three of these at one time. **Cheap** carpet cleaning requires **cheap** equipment, **cheap** chemicals, and **cheap** labor. Even one of these would cause a problem, but specifically, how does each of these budget cutting measures affect **you**?

See "**CHEAP PRICE**" on next page

KleenRite Testimonials

"Good communication, friendly staff, great work. Highly recommended!"
– Ryan Mitchell (Jeremy & Gavin)

"KleenRite notified me when they were on their way. They were very professional and completed the cleaning in a timely manner. Very pleased!!"
– Judy Eskridge (Matthew & Daymen)

"Carpet looks great! Very professional and fast!"
– Sherri Scherbring (Daymen & Christopher)

"KleenRite was amazing from the first phone call with Darla, to follow-up calls with Candy to the assessment with Damon and then finally with the swift and thorough work done by the entire team to clean out and dry my basement! Cannot sing their praises enough!"
– Jennifer Stevens (Jeremy & Wyatt)



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Cheap Equipment

To be effective, a cleaning machine must remove maximum soil and allow the carpet to dry in a reasonable amount of time. In addition, the equipment must not damage the carpet. The best machines do a superior job of removing soil and recovering cleaning agents and waste water. Naturally, these machines are more expensive. A carpet cleaner who uses cheap equipment simply cannot get the carpet nearly as clean as you really need it to be.

Cheap Chemicals

The best cleaning agents are formulated to remove soils and leave behind little or no residue. Sticky detergent residues will cause rapid re-soiling. Cheap chemicals are often harsh, and can damage your carpet fibers and dyes. In addition, the carpet's

soil and stain resistance will be compromised by harsh chemicals. So, although the carpet looks clean, your carpet will re-soil faster and become susceptible to permanent stains from common food and drink spills.

Cheap Labor

Unethical operators hire inexperienced workers and pay them extremely low wages or commissions. The only way that the worker can make a decent living is by "upselling" additional services. In many cases these additional services such as "deep scrubbing", "traffic lane preconditioning" or "sanitizing" are steps that reputable companies include at no charge in every cleaning. Additionally, the underpaid "technician" must often resort to high-pressure selling to get you to spend more money. In the end, you don't get the cheap price that you were promised.

Finally, these companies are like a revolving door, hiring and losing employees every week. They never take the time or spend the money to train and educate workers to become competent certified professionals.

Protecting Your Carpet

When all is said and done, cheap carpet cleaning can cost you plenty. After all, what can you expect when an inexperienced worker using harsh, ineffective chemicals, and inferior equipment rushes through the job? You really do get what you pay for. That's why **Kleenrite**, while perhaps not the cheapest, provides the best value for your carpet cleaning dollar. You get dedicated, certified technicians, using superior equipment and the best cleaning agents every time. Call us today, we are always happy to help!

The Good Life



Good Clean Funnies

Did you hear about the Cheese Factory that exploded in France? Da brie was everywhere!

What falls, but never needs a bandage? The rain.

Why did the football coach yell at the vending machine? He wanted his quarter back!

Why couldn't the sunflower ride its bike? It lost its petals.



These sausage pizza balls are a tasty appetizer or snack. Omit the green bell peppers and onions, if desired.

TAILGATING Pizza Balls

Directions

Preheat the oven to 375°F. Lightly grease a large baking sheet.

Mix Italian sausage, shredded mozzarella, baking mix, green bell pepper, yellow onion, ½ cup pizza sauce, garlic powder, Italian seasoning, salt, and ½ teaspoon pepper together in a large mixing bowl until well combined.

Roll sausage mixture into 1-inch balls; arrange on the prepared baking sheet.

Bake pizza balls in the preheated oven until lightly browned, about 23 to 25 minutes. Serve hot with remaining pizza sauce for dipping.

Prep Time:	15 mins
Cook Time:	25 mins
Total Time:	40 mins
Servings:	10

Ingredients

- 1 pound ground Italian sausage
- 1 (16 ounce) package shredded mozzarella cheese
- 2 cups baking mix (such as Bisquick®)
- 1 chopped green bell pepper
- 1 yellow onion, chopped
- 1 cup pizza sauce, divided
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder or to taste
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning or to taste
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt or to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper or to taste

Recipe courtesy allrecipes.com



Transition to a BACK-TO-SCHOOL Routine with LESS Stress



Parents can help a child get into the back-to-school routine by providing structure. Discuss and plan a morning routine before the school year starts and establish a homework schedule to help kids stay focused and motivated.

Here are a couple quick tips to help make the transition to the classroom easier for your child.

Validation: Let your child know that their nervous or apprehensive feelings about the start of school are normal. All kids (and adults!) have a hard time getting back into the routine of the school year. The knowledge that they are not alone in this experience will help your child feel they're being heard and understood.

Morning Routines: Provide your child with well-defined, easy steps for their routine so they have a clear idea of what you expect! Having an easy-to-reference schedule, maybe with pictures, can engage your child and provide a wonderful visual guide for what they need to do next. Giving specific praise when they complete each task lets them know that you love what you're seeing.

Homework: Providing your child with a structured homework schedule will help them stay

focused and motivated. Completing homework as soon as school is over and with parental support providing encouragement, motivation, and assistance when needed. Snacks are a great way to keep your child's energy up. Of course, some children have active schedules, with team sports, music classes, etc., which can make things more difficult. Letting your child know that you understand the hard work they are putting in and being ready with positive feedback for their effort can help motivate them to get homework done.

Bedtime: Bedtime is one of the hardest transitions. Having a nighttime schedule can assist in creating a structure for your child. Most kids want more time watching their favorite TV show or finishing that last level of a video game, so setting time limits is a great way to put a boundary around the winding down time that they need each evening.

Why Backup Power is IMPORTANT in 2026

Between needing work-from-home options and the growing popularity of smart household appliances, home upgrades in 2026 reflect the demand for continual power without worry about outages, or the stress being placed on the aging power grid.

Why you need home backup power:

Among today's remote-capable U.S. employees, over 27% work fully remote and over half (52%) work hybrid. That means the home office is a permanent fixture for most white collar or information workers.

When you make your tech upgrades in 2026, you are also increasing the grid stress.

In 2024, U.S. electricity customers experienced nearly twice the annual average of power interruptions than the prior decade. In the first half of last year, nearly half of U.S. utility customers experienced outages.

To help ensure your home's system can cope with increased energy needs uninterrupted, you've probably considered backup power. The good news is, backup power is more accessible than ever and with advancements in battery technology, a solar generator can power a house during an outage.

Home backup power used to be the storm-country homeowners with a generator and a garage. Not anymore. There are many solutions designed for remote workers in a one-bedroom apartment, families that want a backup power solution for keeping a refrigerator running, and homeowners wanting whole-house protection without a fuss.

Understanding your energy needs can help you find a solar-powered home backup solution that's just the right choice for you. With today's "tech" lifestyles, backup power is essential.



Today's tech-dependent lifestyles, extreme weather events and aging power grids make backup power is crucial. Solar generators provide a noise-free, fume-free battery backup option for power outages.



Created by the labor movement in the late 19th century, Labor Day serves as a tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of the country.



The REAL Meaning of Labor Day

What is the meaning of Labor Day? Simply put, it is a day to appreciate the economic and societal impact of hardworking Americans and to reflect on the progress our country has made as a result of the American workforce.

What's the history of Labor Day? The decades following the Civil War were a time of great change in the United States. A labor movement began as a result of poor working conditions at the time. It was the heyday of the Industrial Revolution, and it was not uncommon for employees to work over 80 hours a week on a regular basis. The five-day, 40-hour work week that most Americans experience today didn't become commonplace until the 1940s.

Who originally started Labor Day? Some say that Peter J. McGuire, co-founder of the American Federation of Labor, came up with the idea for this working man's holiday. Others argue it was Matthew Maguire, secretary of the

Central Labor Union in New York. No one is 100 percent sure No one is 100 percent sure. which McGuire it was.

Why does the U.S. celebrate Labor Day in September? The first Labor Day parade held in 1882 in New York City took place the first week of September. In 1884—a decade before Labor Day became a U.S. holiday—the national labor organization known as the Knights of Labor adopted a resolution designating the first Monday in September as Labor Day.

Why do people work on Labor Day? Labor Day is a federal holiday, meaning all government offices are closed, including post offices. Banks, which follow the Federal Reserve's holiday schedule, are also closed, and as are many private businesses. However, many big box retailers and chain stores stay open, as do most restaurants.





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