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## Local Couple Drive Away With ‘Serious Cash’ Win

A young couple from Southampton are looking forward to life in the fast lane after scratching their way to success – the £80,000 top prize on the Serious Cash Scratchcard from The National Lottery®.

Electrician, Daryl McCourt (27), and mother-of-three, Sara Beeton (25), are now looking forward to a brighter future and are planning to use some of their winnings to drive away in their dream car, a Nissan 350z. It was a case of the early bird catching the worm for the lucky couple, as Daryl was planning on having a lie-in on the morning he bought the Scratchcard – but is now reaping the benefits of getting up early.

Daryl, who works for BCG Electrical in Fareham, said: “I was planning on sleeping in, but in the end I got up early and went down the shop and bought the Scratchcard. I wouldn’t have normally got up that early but I’m certainly glad I did now!”

Sara added: “We were at my house when Daryl was doing the Scratchcard. We were absolutely stunned when we realised we had won. I think it’s only just sinking in now that we have the cheque – it seems more real now and we both can’t stop smiling.”

The couple kept the winning Scratchcard in Daryl’s sisters safe and the win means they can clear their debts, as well as buying the car of their dreams.

Daryl said: “This win has really brought us piece of mind as we can wipe clear our debts and buy some things that we really want. I’m planning to buy a Nissan 350z and Sara wants to buy some new furniture.”

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National Lottery Scratchcards offer players the chance to win a whole range of instant cash prizes at their fingertips. Tonight's (Wednesday 28 May 2008) Lotto jackpot is an estimated £2.5 million, while this Friday's (16 May 2008) EuroMillions jackpot is an estimated £11 million. Every Lotto slip now comes with its own Dream Number, it is up to players to mark 'yes' to give their Dream Number its chance of winning up to £500,000, or choose a Lucky Dip®.

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