

# Wisdom 2021/part I

We sat up until 12 o'clock—not to ring the New Year in, but to hiss the old one out.



Steve Lieber  
@steve\_lieber

Y2K was 21 years ago. Looking back, I think the only thing we learned is that if a bunch people work really hard to stop a problem from happening, lots of other people will assume it was never really a problem.

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Instead of a stoic hero and a chatty villain or a chatty hero and a stoic villain imagine if they're both chatty. Just, the villain trying their best to kill the hero while the two of them have a in-depth discussion about their opinion of pumpkin spice



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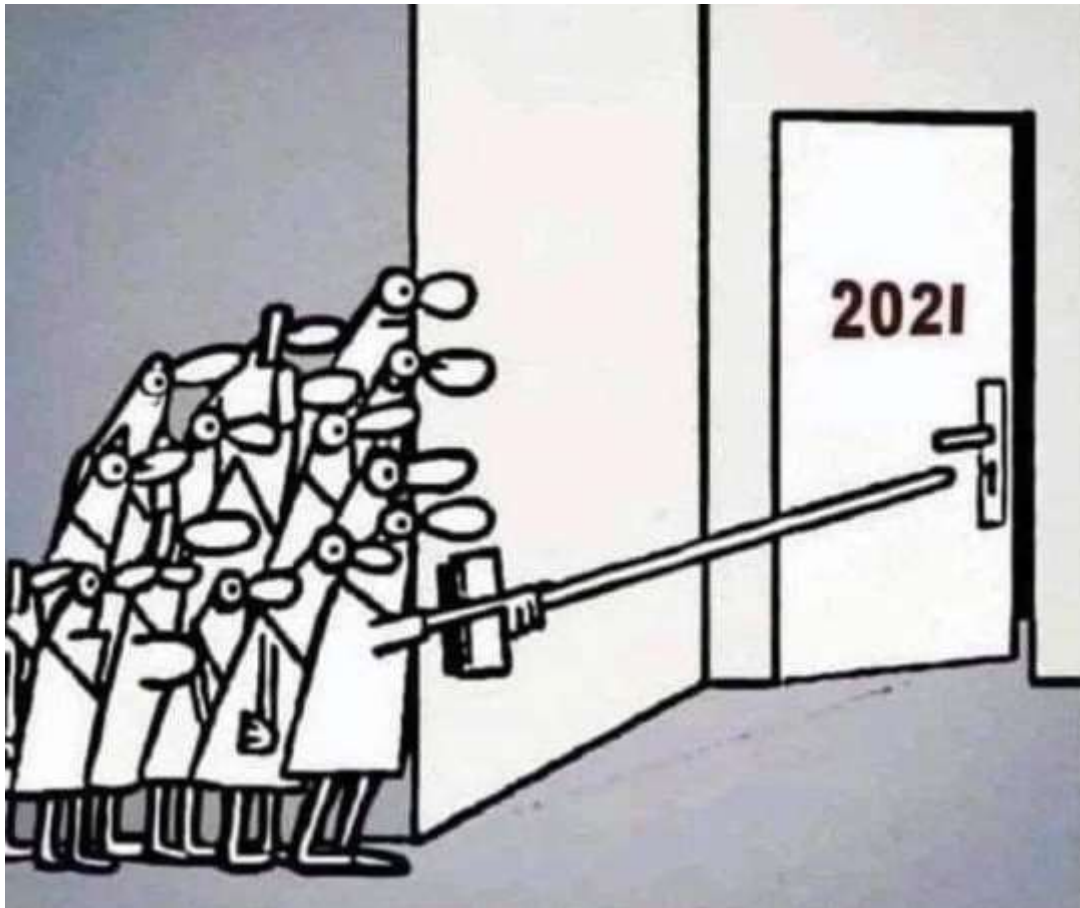
Villain: \*shoots laser\* No but seriously orange is a really fun color

Hero, dodging: but your entire room? I'm not painting my entire room orange

Villain: \*stabs at the hero and misses\* well then why did you ask my opinion on paint colors if you're not going to listen

thoodleoo

well i guess we can finally say...hindsight is 2020



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I wish people would stop saying "It's July. Well done for wasting half a year." Did you make someone smile in the past six months? Did you stroke a cat or throw a stick for a dog? Did you learn a new fact or teach someone a new joke? Did you laugh, cry, scream or sing in the past six months? Because if so, congratulations for not wasting your time at all.

**a love triangle is often really just a love corner. And the woman is usually backed into it.**

Hi, I like words and I especially like these word put in this order.

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Straight women, *don't do this shit*. It's gross. Don't infantilize your husbands and then expect your daughters to pick up the slack.

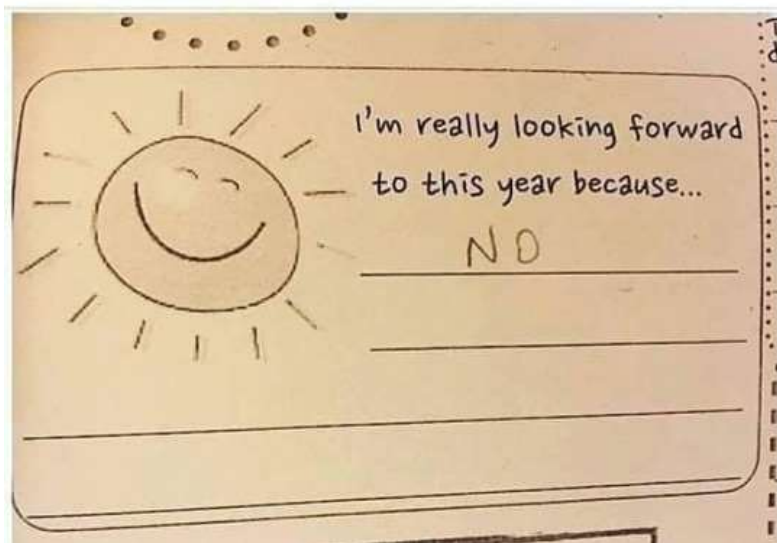


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New Year's Resolution? about 1024x768

zoom : your internet connection  
is unstable

me: u should see my life



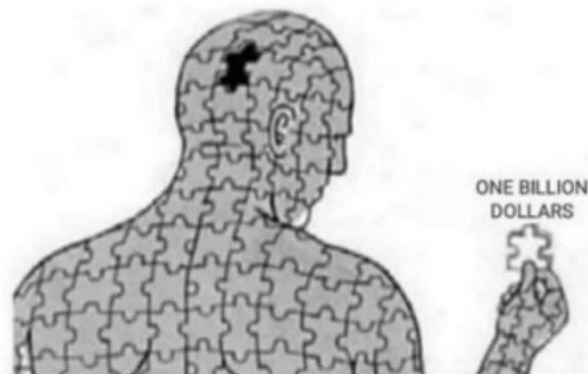
We cannot live in a world that is not our own, in a world that is interpreted for us by others. An interpreted world is not a home. Part of the terror is to take back our own listening, to use our own voice, to see our own light.

St. Hildegard von Bingen (1098 - 1179)

i love that 17th century jewish poltergeist story where the family living in the haunted house calls a catholic priest for help before they contact a rabbi, because yeah, i think that would be my call too; id be like, oh? a demon in my house speaking latin and drawing inverted crosses on my wall in sulfuric bile? then without even questioning my faith i'd call up the catholic church and be like yo father, one of your boys loose come get him

Source: confusionofconfusions

Sometimes all a person needs is that missing piece







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i just figured out the perfect murder

kill someone and bury them in their own garden

that way if the police find them they'll think it was a suicide

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agentcarolinainthemorning

#welp looks like the victim committed suicide and promptly buried themselves in their garden #how considerate of them



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I realized the other day that having been without an identity group community for several years has made me much less emotionally fragile. I still have more or less the same political beliefs related to, say, fat politics and autism, but I don't get anywhere nearly as panicky or enraged over the "wrong" terminology as I did when I had a group to retreat to who would reinforce social norms that most of the world didn't even know about, and encourage me to think that anyone who didn't use our in-group terminology was an enemy who actively meant me harm.



Janel Comeau  
@VeryBadLlama



Thinking about the time the tour guide at Liberty Hall told us that no country in history had been more effective at freeing itself from a monarchy than the USA, and my French boyfriend spent the rest of the tour just muttering "I don't see any guillotines" under his breath



**Cormac Farrell** @jagungal1 · 12h

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Fun Australian fact - this kangaroo is waiting for pursuers to come into the water with him, where he will try to drown them. They are extremely good at it. Never, ever go into water with a kangaroo. Everything has lots of innovative ways to kill you here.



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#Australia

#I know OP sounds like they're fucking with you but kangaroos have absolutely been known to do this



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Is this what brought kelpie mythos into existence



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Well that really depends on how many kangaroos there were in early modern Scotland

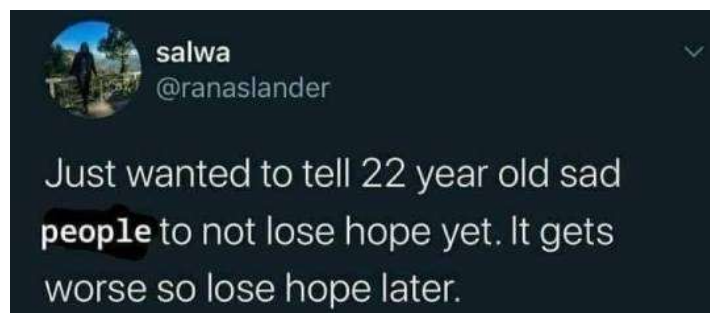
Mia zia faceva la balia. Era la zia Lattea--Luis 2021

“A poem...begins as a lump in the throat, a sense of wrong, a homesickness, a lovesickness. It is a reaching-out toward expression; an effort to find fulfillment. A complete poem is one where an emotion finds the thought and the thought finds the words.”

— Robert Frost in his letter to Louis Untermeyer, dated 1 January 1916



**\*Real winners quit\***



## new rule

if you fight your dad and win you become the dad

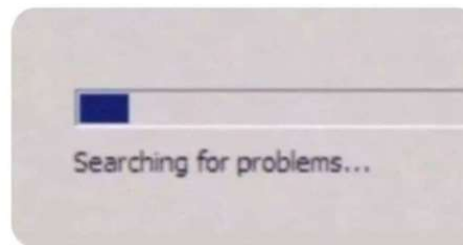
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It's not new, it's called Oedipus Complex

Me:

Having a normal peaceful afternoon

My anxiety:



Instead of buying your children all the things you never had, you should teach them all the things you were never taught. Material wears out but knowledge stays.

- Bruce Lee



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**Odysseus:** This is a mass text. Does anyone know where I am?



It's Like There's a Glass  
Wall Between you and Everything

It's like you keep pounding on it and  
no one will notice.



And no one else seems to see the  
glass - or what's behind it.

...and then you quit pounding.

archae-heart

...

I remember when I was younger I would obsessively look up the height and weight of every female celebrity and torture myself with comparisons, but now I like to look up the height and weight of male celebrities and relish in the knowledge that I could beat up many of them. Like yes, I would absolutely demolish Johnny Depp in a fight and that tickles me. I could also strap Elijah Wood into the same backpack I carry my toddlers up mountains in and that adds years onto my life. 2021 is for strong lasses

Me if I could preview my entire  
life before I was born



My last/late little sister did exactly this.



best advice from my dad: "you believed in Santa for 8 years, you can believe in yourself for 10 seconds"

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When you're about to take an exam you haven't studied for

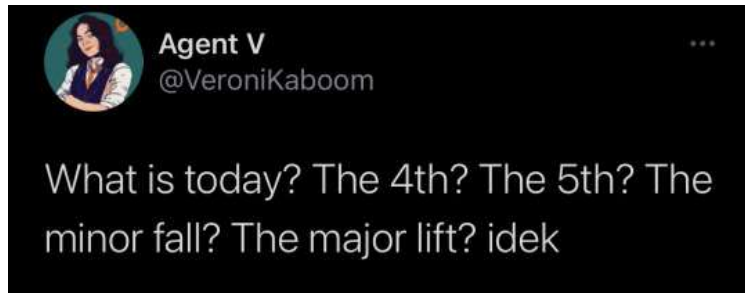


male poets will be like, "she was a beautiful decoration, and also a cure for my mental illness... when she left me... my mental illness... became... her fault"  
--dumbdeancas

(also "when I left her"...)

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i'm saving my brain for special occasions. if i use it every day it'll get dirty



...the Hallelujah of course (sad and broken)

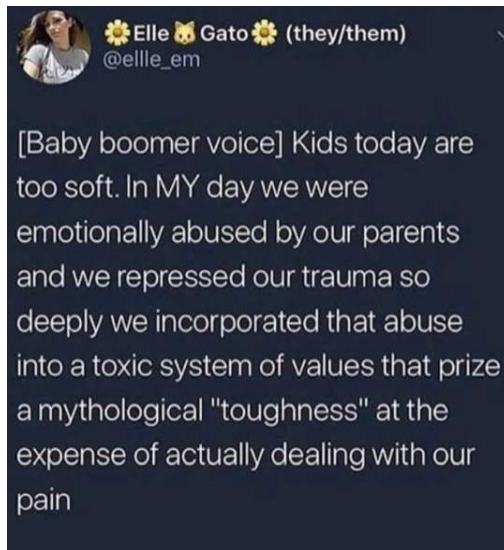


This is a neutral post



(moving.gif)

Feel free to stop here and rest before journeying to the posts below.



*Precisely*

I don't ask for much  
because I can barely carry the things  
I already have  
and even if I lost everything,  
I'd still have the burden  
of trying to describe  
why colors of the sky  
are enough.



**Jolly Old Saintpants Cher** ♦  
@House\_Feminist

Please quit telling me to "keep up the good work" the good work was an accident and impossible to replicate



just found out my entire personality is a trauma response

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do what gives you peace

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i physically and emotionally can't take anyone's shit anymore

Me tryna workout at home:



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Is anyone else ever genuinely shocked when you find out you have an impact on someone's life? A coworker can be like "I've missed seeing you" and I'm just like "???? you?? missed me????? My presence has an effect on your daily experience???? I affect things??? W h a t ? ? ?"

**and the nature of the angels went unexplained,  
no two made in the same species,  
one with a nose, one with an ear in its hand,  
one chewing a star and recording its orbit,  
each one like a poem obeying itself,  
performing God's functions,  
a people apart.**



If I continue on this mission, I will eventually be punished for having served as God's agent to bring about the destruction.

(how typical of god, and of stereotypical movie baddies)




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the next time you think you're lonely, just remember you have about 25 billion white blood cells in your body protecting your sorry little ass with their life. you have 25 billion friends who would die for you. no need for tears.

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**“The average dog is a nicer person than the average person.”**

*Andy Rooney*

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\*has one uncomfortable interaction\*  
\*is fucked up for 3 days\*

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3 years\*

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3 decades\*

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The thing I hate most about depression is that it tricks you into thinking you don't have depression. It makes you think that nothing is wrong with you, that you just feel this way because you lack value as a person. Whether that's in your relationships, your academics, or a view of yourself, it makes you think you aren't good enough for any of that.

"It's not the illness," it says, "You feel this way because it's who you are."

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"Mental illness is like fighting a war where the enemy's strategy is to convince you that the war isn't actually happening."

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i'll be honest. part of the reason i'm not into sex is it's a team activity and i hate those

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i'm really sick of the 'male/female' natural interest dichotomy. growing up, males are asked to go help fix cars and mow lawns etc. and females aren't. then, as you get older, men laugh like 'lol u don't even know what a radiator is' and it's like no we weren't socialised to 'like' that stuff. it's not because we're naturally bad at mechanics or physical labour - it's because we were never taught. they don't teach us as children but patronize us when, as adults, we don't know much about it.

What about being patronised by a country woman who believed that as a city gal I couldn't do shit?







**Bubba**  
@JerrieRotimi

– What do you do for a living?



**Kunle**  
@skinnyniggr

my best, i do my best





**James Breakwell**  
@XplodingUnicorn

My 3-year-old calls my gray hairs  
"wizard hair."

I'm not getting older.

Just more powerful.



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my best feature is that I'm blindingly intelligent for about 30 seconds  
a day



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I do not get to choose which seconds. they are not consecutive

**For the small amount of time that you are here on this  
Earth, life is too fucking short to be uncomfortable.**

(abt clothes for women)



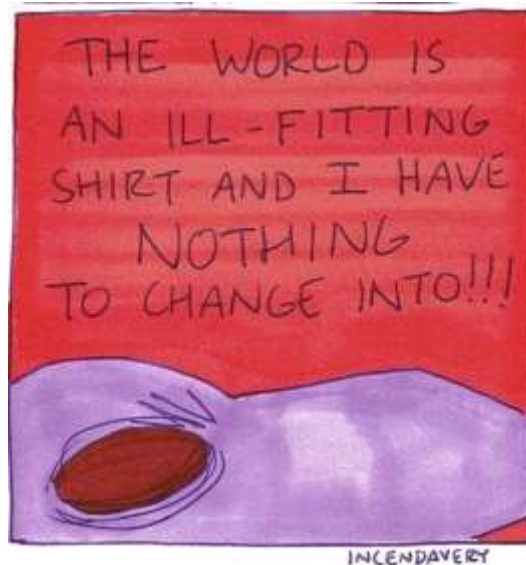


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what i mean is: the house that hates you because it hates all of humanity because it is old, and abandoned, and left to rot. the house that tries to kill you because it doesn't care what you intend or what you want and all it knows is that its purpose has gone ignored and then has changed, by degrees, with malicious intent derived from neglect. a house that sees you as threat and will not wait for you to draw first blood - or worse, to just... ignore it more. again. forever.

but also; what does it look like to meet that house halfway and work to better it. can you renovate it? can you find the hurt and heal it? is it Horror if it can be Fixed? but not fixed like it never happened, but fixed like we reinforced the crack in the east wall of the foundation, we re-bricked the fireplace with respect to its original style, we found the rot and - as gently as possible - removed it, grafted new tissue, applied bandages. can you rehabilitate a haunted house, and offer it love? or is it prideful to even try - because all you're doing is setting it up for more failure and heartbreak in the future, after you die and it goes uncared for, neglected, again?

can you make a house that hates you love you without ensuring that it will hate again after you - because a house lives a long, long time after a human dies?



If you suddenly and unexpectedly feel joy, don't hesitate. Give in to it. There are plenty of lives and whole towns destroyed or about to be. We are not wise, and not very often kind. And much can never be redeemed. Still, life has some

Mary Oliver


Reject your Home Owner's Association

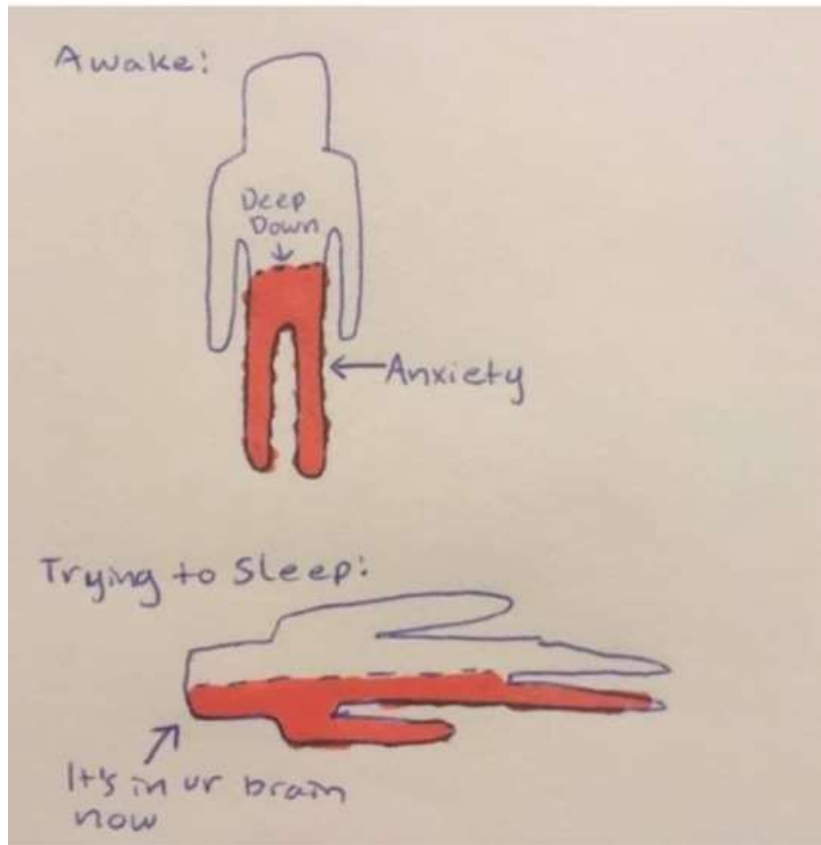



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Corn maze to your front door will cut down on unwanted visitors




 waywardequestrian

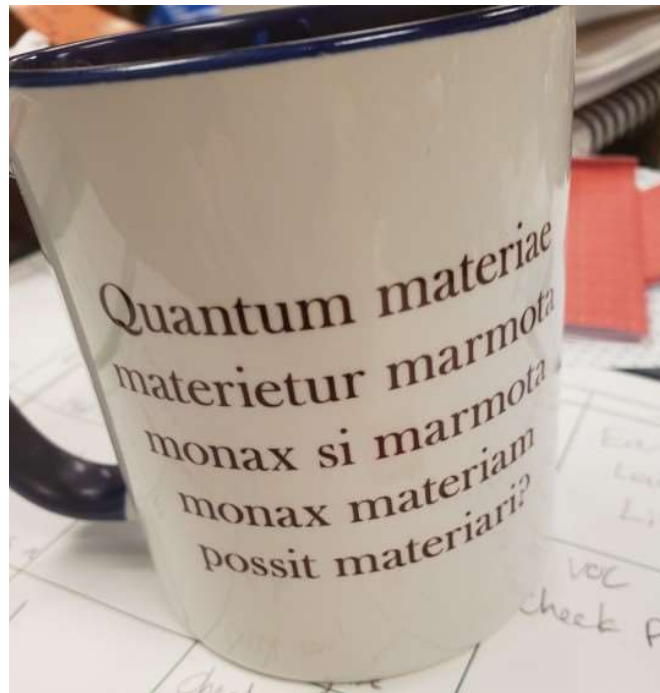


 existentialterror  
👍 a compelling model

**literally anyone:** are you ok?  
**me:** you mean like your standards ok  
or my standards ok

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Due to gifting, I now own five square feet of Scotland which contains one newly-planted tree. I'm colonizing Europe.



I must change my life so that I can live it, not wait for it.

Susan Sontag, *Reborn: Journals and Notebooks, 1947-1963*

(I am not waiting, I am just tired)







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Jurassic Park except they provide proper enrichment for the animals and they therefor don't feel the need to hunt slow, small humans.



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"The Rexes are incredibly affectionate pack animals, so we were careful to breed multiples. Be sure to come during spring time to watch them go broody over anything even vaguely egg-shaped."

"We put the Raptors through target training and now if they are bored, hungry, or just want a scratch under the chin they go to spot near the bars and ring a little bell for attention."

"Imprinting after hatching was so common that we now have keepers under contract to care for the animals well into adulthood to prevent them from pining."

"The Gallimimus turned out to be just giant Canada Geese, and so fear nothing. Their keeper regularly has to stop them from trying to attack fences, guests, feeding buckets, and the now traumatised pack of Ceratosaurs in the next paddock."



alex from online

@leafcrunch

introducing a new alignment -  
chaotic lawful. i have a strict moral  
code but nobody can figure out what  
the hell it is

*The task of a liberated person is not to scold the world and preach to it but to delight it back to its senses.*

*~Alan Watts*





We're all wrong. The  
earth isn't round or  
flat. It's fucked.





**Kayla Ancrum**  
@KaylaAncrum



The hardest I've ever been owned in my life was when I was 21 in Barnes & Noble and a teenager asked me where the manga section was. I told them but also said "I don't work here."

They looked me dead in the eye and said "I know. You just looked like someone who would know."

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Anonymous asked:

Do you have any kinks?

dlubes answered:

peace and quiet

it's the 21st day of the 21st year of the 21st century.

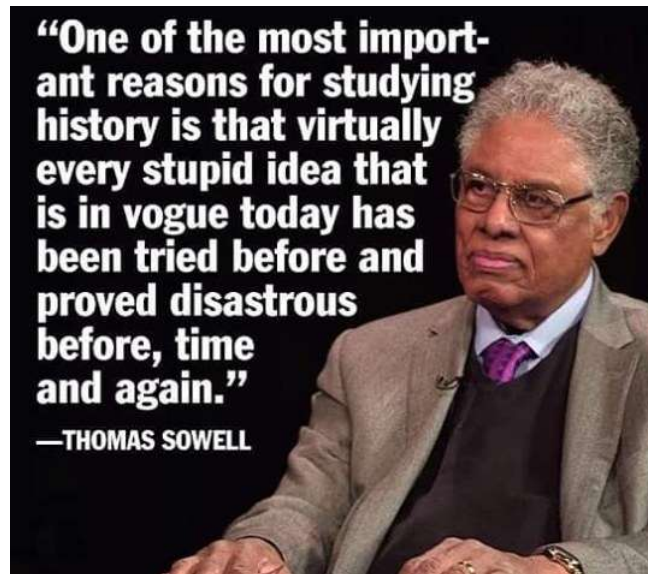
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me accomplishing basic adult responsibilities and being proud of myself for doing my best





guy in a business suit sat  
next to me on bus

has legal pad

only thing written is  
'muppets'

which is underlined

**NO is a complete sentence.**



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\*after creating me\*

God to Angel: hey Angel, did you give them a sexuality, like I asked?

Angel: ...you told me to give them... asexuality

God: ...A. SEXUALITY...

Angel: ...ASEXUALITY...





*"... in this small space of time we had mutually surrendered our loneliness and replaced it with trust..." (Patti Smith, Just Kids)*



Rabbi Andy Kahn  
@rabbiandykahn

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Replying to @rabbiandykahn

Rather than atheism, idol worship is the banned theology of Judaism. Idol worship requires clearcut claims of direct and exclusive knowledge of what God (or a god) is. Being b'nei Yisrael is being the people that struggle with God- it is an active, ongoing, undefined process. 9/

zero aspettative = zero delusioni

Source: accanna

when ur friends are tryin to hang out on one of your down days





**Mermaid Venom**  
@MermaidVenom

I am not your dream girl. I am the sudden shouting of crows when you enter a part of the forest you shouldn't have.

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**Cat McGee**  
@CatMcGeeCode

Replying to @NasheedWallace

Yesterday I was walking to an interview. There was a starving dog on the road. I stopped to feed him & missed the interview. The next day I got a call asking to come in to do the interview. I was surprised, but I went. Then the interviewer came in. He was the dog.



**Alexandria Ocasio...**   
@AOC

"Things were bad for me, so they should stay bad for everyone else" is not a good argument



**Myq Kaplan**   
@myqkaplan

things to remember:

- 1) you exist
- 2) you matter
- 3) others exist
- 4) others matter
- 5) maybe nothing is real
- 6) act like it is just in case tho



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Actually forget every other post about “primal” feelings and actions, the most connected to my early hominid ancestors i have ever felt in my LIFE is when slowly following an increasingly panicked sheep. I believe that slowly following ungulates is the most primally human activity in existence



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That moment when the sheep has run a few times and visibly realizes that you just keep slowly walking at it and are not going anywhere and you can see it thinking “oh fuck this isn’t how being chased is supposed to work” rockets me back in time several hundred thousand years



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Hey quick question OP why are you bullying a sheep



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To give it medication



**FEMINISM  
ENCOURAGES  
WOMEN  
TO  
LEAVE THEIR HUSBANDS  
PRACTICE WITCHCRAFT  
DESTROY CAPITALISM  
AND BECOME  
LESBIANS.**


-PAT ROBERTSON



**blaire erskine**

@blaireerskine

once I ate an almond joy and  
broke out in hives so I was like  
"maybe I'm allergic to almonds"  
and my dad said "or maybe you're  
allergic to joy" AND HE WAS  
RIGHT

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Writing *absolutely* was easier when you were younger simply because you knew less of the craft. The more you learn increases the pressure to live up to your own knowledge base. You can see flaws in your work that you (probably) weren't aware of before and this gives the false impression of creative back-sliding. This can be extremely discouraging and you may long for those early days when writing seemed so much easier. But that longing is rooted in a lie. Ignorance truly is bliss. So take pride in the fact that your struggles are the byproduct of improving your craft. Your work is not as bad as you think, you simply have a much stronger magnifying glass than you used to so the flaws seem bigger than they truly are.





o man quite fathomable actually  
@JohannesEvans



hot goth in the woods that keeps  
answering the door and sighing and  
going "no, I'm not the witch, he lives  
over there" and points across the  
street to a dazzling pretty boy  
wearing a gold waistcoat who's  
waving excitedly at them  
  
this happens 268 times a month


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***Tired of working on  
myself***



@ch0mkus

***I will now be  
unapologetically insane***

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things i realized in therapy:

i am allowed to be angry with people when they hurt me, even if they are sensitive and cant cope well with being told they did something wrong. their sensitivity does not mean i have to bottle up my feelings & their lack of coping skills does not make me expressing my anger abusive.

shocking, i know. truly shocking.

Soft kitty, warm kitty  
Little ball of fur,  
Happy kitty, sleepy kitty,  
Purr, purr, purr



**Shakti Shetty** 

@Shakti\_Shetty

Don't let anyone else ruin your day.

It's YOUR day.

Ruin it yourself.

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thoodleoo 

if you ever needed proof that the ancient world is actually super relatable, just remember that famous stoic emperor marcus aurelius wrote more than one passage in his *meditations* telling himself to get the fuck out of bed in the morning







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Having seen some births now i can say that dog birth is amazing cos they just slip n slide out one after the other like a little conveyor belt. And theyre so little and unformed. And then UNGULATE BIRTHS ... are amazing for the opposite reason which is that 10mins after being born they are filing their taxes. Unless they are goats, in which case they are committing tax fraud instead



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Goats are what is called a precocial species, which means that shortly after birth they are able to do many things on their own, such as standing, walking, eating, and embezzlement

my life feels like a test i didn't study for



@lookmiku

i dont wanna be self aware anymore nothing is fun and I am responsible for everything

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## In case you need this today:

- You are not a failure
- You are not a waste of space

THANKS, i do



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sometimes depression is so scary because you stop being able to achieve any sense of fulfilment. a huge part of being human is looking forward to things and having treats, goals, rewards, outcomes that you strive towards. if you don't have those things it can be really, really hard to find any sense of purpose. having depression is asking yourself what do i want to eat, what do i want to watch, what do i want to play, what do i want to listen to, what do i want to do, what am i looking forward to, what's driving me to keep going, and having the answer be a resounding 'nothing'



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If "doing your best" means pushing yourself to the point of burning out and breaking down, then that's not your best - that's an unhealthy, self-destructive pattern which won't get you anywhere in the long run. Allow yourself time to recharge - cause you can't keep using a battery you never charge!



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I'm just so wrapped up in the fact that like... when we have nowhere to go, we have stories.



“At the trial of God, we will ask: why did you allow all this? / And the answer will be an echo: why did you allow all this?”

— Ilya Kaminsky, from “A City Like a Guillotine Shivers on Its Way to the Neck,” *Deaf Republic*

As I said, you can't win.



**Veggie Tales Facts**  
@Veggiefact

my new years resolution is to lose  
all domestication and become  
completely feral

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**Lacey Williams Henschel**  
@laceynwilliams

It feels like what millennials have  
learned in the last 15 years is that  
absolutely no one, none of our  
institutions, are looking out for us,  
providing a safety net, or rooting  
for us to succeed.

...this is why my students are better and more responsible.  
The optimists got informed.



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In Hong Kong they have buildings with holes in them for dragons to pass through



"To live past the end of your myth is a perilous thing."

— Anne Carson, in the press material for *Red Doc* (via [prometheis](#))

My lecturer absolutely roasting Heurodis in class today like, "she shouldn't be that surprised that she was kidnapped by fairies, I mean what did she expect by sleeping under a tree in medieval Britain? Honestly"

Source: 7devills

### [owl-and-the-moon](#)

I recently had this childhood memory resurface, and I've been turning it over in my mind.

Nearing evening on a Saturday, maybe in September when I was about ten or eleven years old, I was out fishing in a rowboat with my Dad and my brother at the sportsmen's club about a half-mile from our house. I'm not sure if I was hungry or bored or if I just had something else I wanted to do, but I began complaining about wanting to go home. They didn't want to leave – with the light waning, my brother was probably finally getting some bites. I can kind of still hear the echo of my father's voice, if not his words, telling me to be patient. He was at the oars; my brother had his fishing pole, his bobber on the water in the distance.

I just... I just jumped out of the boat.

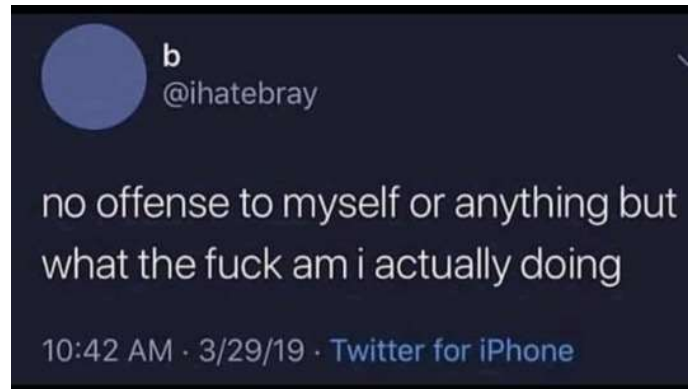
I did it with the decision, "Yeah, I can do this," after a short inspection of how far we were from the shore. I was fully clothed; I may or may not have had a life vest on. I don't remember swimming to the shore, but maybe the mud under my sneakers as I pulled myself out onto the bank. I don't remember getting to the road, but I remember walking back to the house in the graying light, the weight of my wet clothing and the pervading chill of evening creeping to my skin. I don't remember how my mother met me or getting dried off and changed, but I remember sitting in front of the TV later, warm and comfortable but still buzzing with the experience – euphoric, exhilarated; triumphant.

When my brother and father came in, they didn't share my elation at my escape. I don't remember their responses or how my escapade was talked over with my mother, if it even was. I just remember being confused at their response, or lack of it, frustrated, and then... very, very angry.

The more I have experienced life as a woman and acknowledged the actual state of women in our society, the more I have found it necessary to *jump out of the boat*. Not every woman will be driven to it and not all at the same time, but the call is there, the option, the consideration of the crossing. And to make the leap – to even begin to make the leap – is exhilarating; it is, in a word, liberating.

**But nobody is going to celebrate with us.**

The real reason why you don't know anything is that you were not taught to live.  
You were taught to work.  
-- safetytank



Recently acquired a new assistant! Meet the respectable Dr. Wom

Source: silversable15

YOU DESERVE TO  
EXIST



Imma do a thing  
later  
but I did a thing  
earlier  
so right now  
I'm all thinged  
out

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*Me meeting a genie:* Okay, so my first wish is for 1000 dollars a day, deposited to my bank account without any way of tracing it to anything illegal. I want this money to come from the ten richest people in America (100 dollars each), withdrawn under the guise of nebulous, random purchases and surcharges. It would probably be best to split the money into a myriad of smaller fees, though, to reduce the likelihood of anyone noticing. Got all that?

*Genie:* um

*Me, continuing on without a care:* For my SECOND wish, I want you to give me the ability to learn any given phoneme, so that I can learn to pronounce new languages perfectly. If you're willing, it'd be nice if it were a little easier to memorize new languages too, but if that's not cool, I'm perfectly fine doing all the legwork myself I mostly just want to be capable of pronouncing things correctly.

*Genie, now staring at me like I'm insane:* .....okaaayyy?....

*Me:* For my third wish. I want to always have great ideas for gifts for people. Every birthday, every holiday, I want to be able to come up with something they'd really like, with enough time to actually get it for them.

*Genie, just staring at me*

*Me:* I can provide you with a written document if that would help.






# *the peace of wild things*

Wendell Berry, from *Poetry Pharmacy: Tied-And-True Prescriptions for the Mind, Heart and Soul*



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making friends (especially after you've lost a couple or several ones) can be hard and incredibly isolating. finding people we can connect and be vulnerable with is no easy task, so often we feel like it's a moral failure when things don't work out between us and someone else. just know there are so many people in this world you have yet to meet who will love you and it's okay to drop all this heavy relationship baggage now. you're not defined by the people you've lost.

**History does not repeat itself, it mumbles in its sleep.**

-- ardor-mohr

I put a lot of time into being invisible. When I was a kid, I always wished I had one of those rings or cloaks that made you invisible. Then I realized years later, I am invisible behind a camera. I am a camera.

Jill Freedman

They have no children,<sup>[197]</sup> the result of a joint decision early in life and in their marriage. Smith said he was against their having children as he not only objects to having been born but refuses to impose life on another.<sup>[198][199]</sup>

(Robert Smith of the Cure)

there's nothing to stop us from just gradually becoming more eccentric with each decade. we may not have retirement plans but we can plan to gradually evolve into the 80s van wizards our parents were too cowardly to become.

-- tearlessrain



Gods are stubborn. So am I.

Euripides, from *Grief Lessons: Four Plays*; translated by Anne Carson



witch: \*turns me into a frog\* now  
suffer

me: \*chilling on a leaf\*

witch: wait

me: \*experiencing happiness for the  
first time in my life\*

witch: wait no

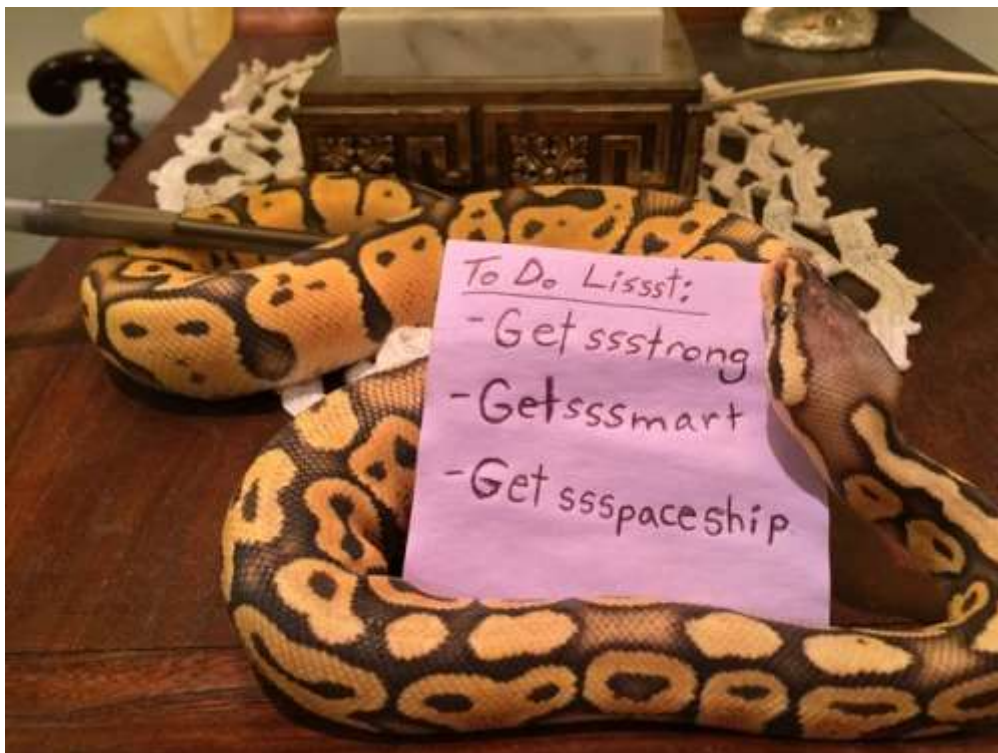





Pascal Champion







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gender pride: fuck yeah, i'm trans. that's cool as hell.

gender wrath: either you give me gender neutral bathrooms or i give you a lobotomy

gender envy: i like your vibes in the gender sense. give them to me.

gender greed: i have seventy-two genders and use thirteen sets of pronouns due to i want to.

gender sloth: gender? oh, i gave up on that years ago. too much effort.

gender gluttony: i am a different gender every day. i go through them like coffee filters. fuck you.

gender lust: my gender is that i'm sexy

me: gosh i have so much work to do  
i better get started

my brain: you cannot

me: why

my brain: you are feeling  
moderately upset, any attempt at  
productivity is futile

me: i don't see how-

my brain: cannot.

#a

443,042 notes



Frankie Boyle ✓

@frankieboyle



You'll grow up not every really knowing if  
you deserve love, but one day you'll  
meet someone who loves you, and  
you'll be able to accept yourself. Then,  
once they really get to know you, they'll  
find you unbearable and leave, but the  
important thing is to stay hydrated.

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moonlit-stars-tonight asked:

If I do something good because it makes me feel like a good person, is that technically selfish?

no-i-in-heterosexual answered:

no, only if you're choosing to make others suffer to make yourself feel good

enjoying making other people happy is a great thing

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There is a Jewish story about a wealthy man who came to his rabbi and said "I have decided to build an orphanage, can you put me in touch with the relevant people"

The rabbi was delighted to do it, and introduced the man to some charities. After a few weeks, the man came back to the rabbi.


"I have decided not to build the orphanage," he said. "I realised that I was only doing it because I wanted to be admired as a philanthropist, my motives were selfish."

The rabbi answered, "do you think the orphans will care what your motives were? Build the orphanage!"

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i read the sentence "abusers groom their character witnesses as carefully as they groom their victims" (in a comment thread in response to a "but i know [the accused] and hes such a nice man!!") and it's blowing my mind a weird amount even though i guess i already knew that

e.g. Tino

 **The Asexual** @AsexualJournal · 22h

Normalize cuddling without a sexual expectation.  
Normalize cuddling without a sexual expectation.  
Normalize cuddling without a sexual expectation.  
Normalize cuddling without a sexual expectation.  
Normalize cuddling without a sexual expectation.



Dear ghosts,  
I'm sorry. Who can understand? What we call History you call *home*.

Kathleen Graber, *The Eternal City: Poems*





**Midwest vs Everybody**

@midwestern\_ope



If you ask a Midwesterner "how are you" and they respond "well, im here" or "oh it's going" send help immediately. It's a desperate cry for help that loosely translates to "i need you to push me off the roof."

"I didn't say I liked it. I said it fascinated me. There is a great difference."

- Oscar Wilde

thoodleoo



free to a good home: two boobs, must be adopted together

#literally at work rn searching up top surgeons like i am TIRED of these things

#if anyone wants em you can have em



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yes i have memories. yes they make me insane



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I tell people, "You're allowed to be wrong." Really pisses them off.



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"What we have is not a difference of opinion, but of morality."

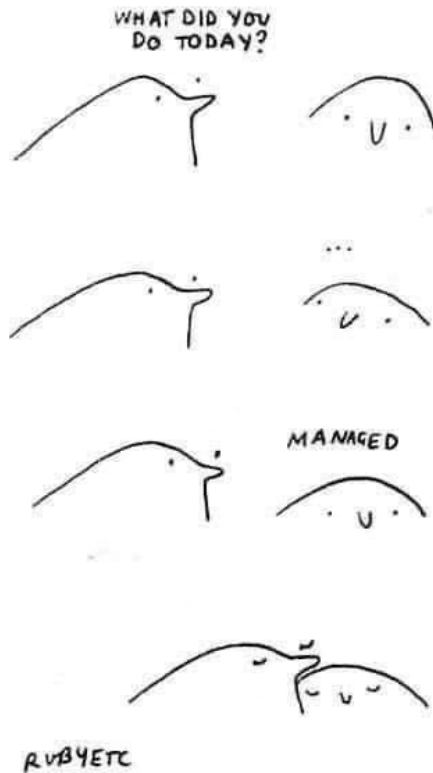
maybe i'm happy but asymptomatic



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saying the wrong thing? misunderstanding? taking things too seriously?

it happens and it's forgivable





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I hate to break it to self-identified “radical feminists” but saying “men are inherently violent and predatory, women are inherently innocent and good, and which category you fall into is determined solely by your crotch” is not, in fact, a radical countercultural idea, that’s just patriarchy. Thats like a third of the Republican platform. You just added pure self interest (maybe I and people who look and act like me shouldnt be oppressed) and decided that you’re some kind of dangerous rebel. You’re not. You’re just regurgitating shitty old conservative ideology that you internalized.



**Spartacus.**

@infiniotic

i'm going at 200mph (mistakes per hour).

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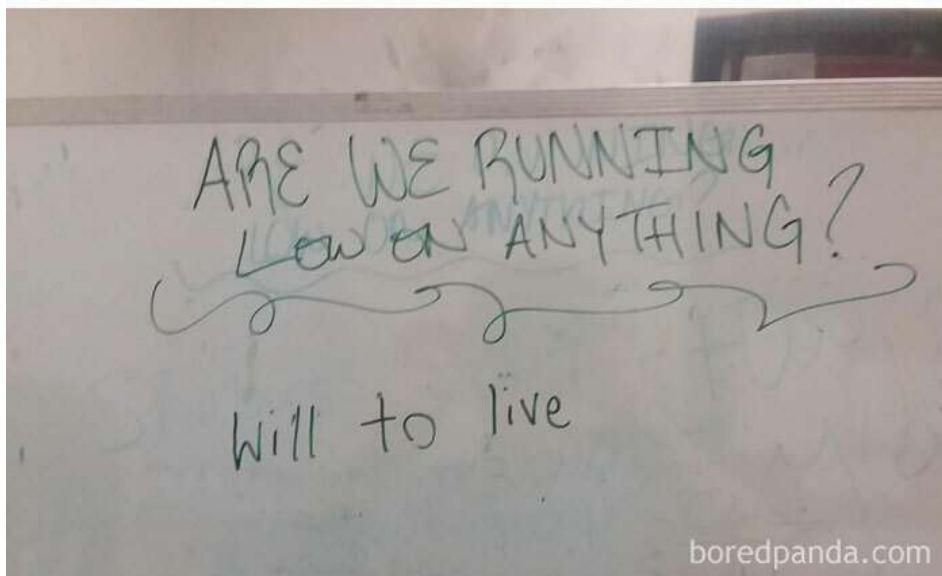
i don't think people understand that taking naps throughout the day is just a way to get away from the thoughts inside your head. it's not being lazy. it's just being mentally exhausted. you can get so anxious that it literally makes you physically exhausted. i understand that some people don't get it but really, you have no room to talk, we're the ones dealing with this on the daily, fighting our own brains. don't tell us to just “get over it” or “stop being anxious” or “what are you stressed about” no, absolutely not.

“All that is human slips away; everything was mere husk.

"All that is left, indivisible, is birdsong and dusk."  
— Varlam Shalamov



Saw this at work yesterday





# What cannot be said will be wept ”


Sappho - Translation from Anne Carson's "If not, Winter"

“WHY ARE YOU SAD?”

“I DON'T KNOW”


“NO REASON?”

“OH NO THERE ARE PLENTY OF  
REASONS, I'M JUST NOT SURE  
WHICH ONE IT IS THIS TIME”

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things are going to be difficult. But you

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are going to be difficulter

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thats the spirit!!!!!! be a problem to your problems!!!!!!!!!! mark your  
territory! !!!!!!!

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I think we hate seeing people displaying traits we repress in ourselves  
bc we see it as indulgence

There is a time in life when you expect the world to be always full of new things. And then comes a day when you realize that is not how it will be at all. You see that life will become a thing made of holes. Absences. Losses. Things that were there and are no longer. And you realize, too, that you have to grow around and between the gaps, though you can put your hand out to where things were and feel that tense, shining dullness of the space where the memories are.

–Helen Macdonald, from *H is for Hawk* (Jonathan Cape, 2014)



bae leaf  
@CheefPolo

fool me once, shame on u

fool me twice, still shame on u mfucka  
im a nice person why would u treat me  
like dat

i don't really care that much if my students cheat

### thoodleo

like. here's the thing. if i catch you cheating am i gonna be disappointed? yeah, a little. most of the time it's because i KNOW you could do better. am i gonna give you a zero on the assignment? yeah, that's typically the rule. but am i gonna make a huge deal about it? no, im not cause like. if you look up the answers to an assignment online and copy them (if you can even find them, because most of the time with my material you won't)? you're probably not gonna do well on the test. natural consequence of that action and if you look up a guide where somebody shows you how to get the correct answer? that's being resourceful. it's no different from using your notes to help you. props to you for finding something that could help you understand the material.



people just wanna fight and if you say you dont wanna fight they just go "why aren't you on our side, you must be on their side" like no bitch I'm on the side of peace and quiet  
-- chefpyro





beetledrink

do you ever have like a breakdown but your logical brain is still active just thinking “ok this is annoying can we wrap this up so we can go back to bottling these feelings and like going to work or whatever” lol



... not repulsive, but agreed

“Some writers confuse authenticity, which they ought always to aim at, with originality, which they should never bother about.”

— W.H. Auden





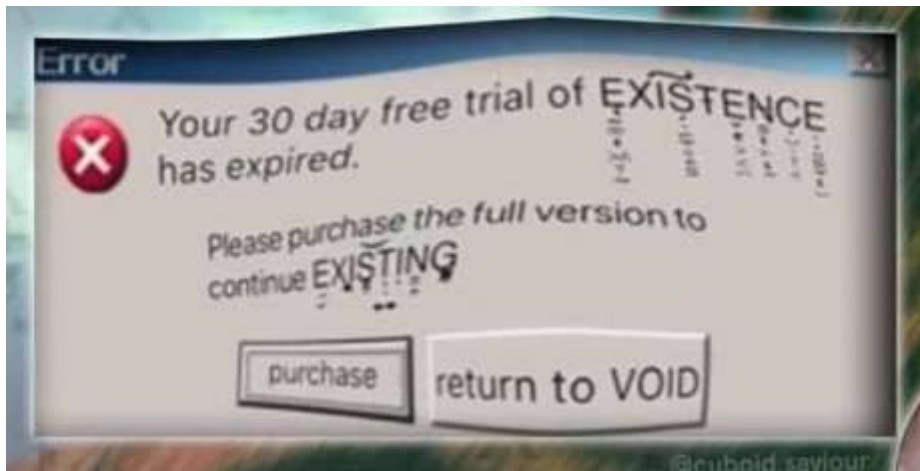
maybe if i  
isolate myself  
and nap a lot

@sadpeplememes



all my  
problems will  
be magically  
solved





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**olivia**  
@OliviaHouseman

How about instead of “attention-seeking” you use the term “support-seeking” and see how it changes your response to people talking about their mental health.

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**Tyver Foucault**  
@TheDoorTHEDOOR

Your pet thunderstorm bobs around excitedly when you lift the lid of the terrarium. You turn on your hair dryer and blow in a tiny warm front. It booms with joy as its little clouds flash and roll

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bloodyl1ps



sonicrainbooms

people jest but this is literally how i worked out i was gaslit for like 15 years of my life



aphony-cree

People who “want trauma” are recognizing, on some level, that they were traumatized but in a way that’s not “socially recognized” as trauma. What they really want is for people to see that they’ve been traumatized and be on their side


wetwareproblem

#everyone learns that trauma can cause memory problems or even cause you to black out events and then you're just like#how could people who said they had a stable life be traumatized??

I wanna expand on that for a moment. I've talked to a *lot* of trauma survivors about their backgrounds. And two things that are damn near universally true?


1. At first we almost *all* say “It wasn't that bad”.
2. That statement is pretty much always a lie, be it to others or to yourself.



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it's so funny to me that stoicism is largely seen as a very male and 'macho' virtue. being stoic and tight-lipped regarding one's own suffering is one of the most womanly qualities i could possibly think of, and by far one of the least male.

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^^^! was thinking about this the other day! Men will stub their toe, yell/curse about how much it hurts and proceed to take ibuprofen. Women could be having a heart attack and be like, 'it's probably nothing'.

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With women's heart attack symptoms being so poorly recognised, and women not uncommonly mistaking appendicitis for ordinary menstrual cramps, this is too true.




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if being hard on yourself worked, it would have worked by now




**Alexis Rockley**  
@alexisrockley

Feeling CREATIVELY BLOCKED?  
That's because your brain has temporarily diverted all its creativity (aka ability to solve novel problems) to "how do I avoid dying?" while in a narrowed, slow burn, fight-or-flight state.



**Alexis Rockley**  
@alexisrockley

SUDDENLY DON'T GIVE AF about future-based goals, projects, or dreams like you used to? That's because your brain knows being short-sighted is a safer way to cope right now.



**Alexis Rockley**  
@alexisrockley


Your plans, creativity, energy, focus + motivation are on a YO-YO right now, b/c your brain believes you need to be EXTREMELY ADAPTIVE.

You will not be on this rollercoaster forever. Be patient with your brain.

Sincerely,

a positive psychology-certified coach + fellow human



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anyway this valentine's day I discovered that St Valentine

1. was beheaded
2. his skull is on display in a glass case in rome
3. said skull was labelled with a **Label Maker** straight out of a **circa 2004 office supply catalog** *i think i am dying a little*



Wade Mullen  
@wademullen

...

When someone says, "after all I've done for you..." they are revealing that what they did for you was not for you at all, but for their own need to control you. Their generosity was just a contract with hidden terms of compliance. Breach that contract, and you become the problem.

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therapist: your feelings are valid

me: what if i FEEL that they are invalid

therapist: [scribbles "oh fuck" in her notes]

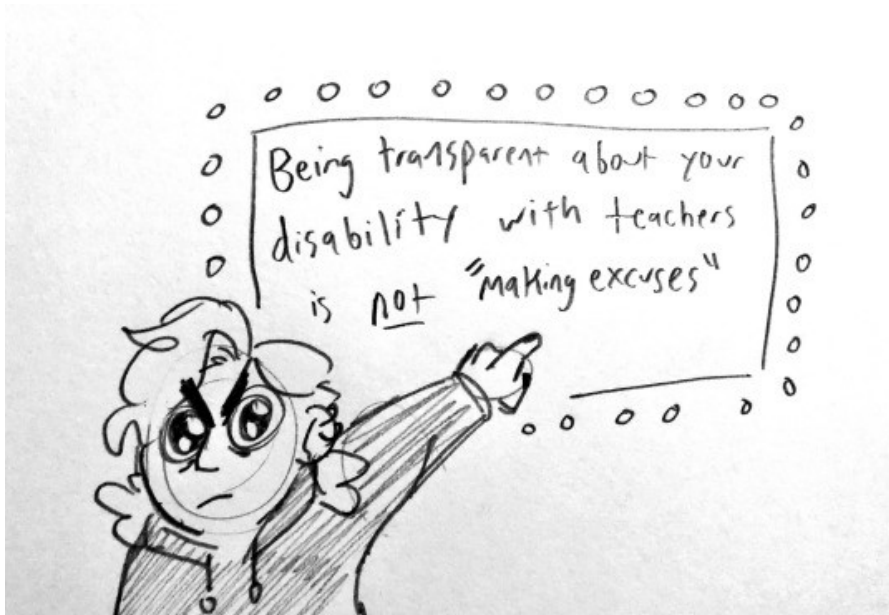


**Mon**  
@monschleichts



Whenever people tailgate me when I'm going 40 in a 35 I always purposely slow down because it's like I gave you an extra 5 and you didn't appreciate it so now you get nothing





after careful consideration i've decided to become an abomination

Source: parakeet

I ATE A BIG BAG OF FACTORY REJECT  
SEEDS UNTIL A HEALTHY FLOWER  
UNFURLED IN MY CHEST ...

I MISTOOK THE SENSATION FOR LOVE AND DIED.

I love the song "Scarborough Fair" because it follows my favorite poetic structure:

- Nosy question
- Grocery list
- Haunting personal information

Source: flavoracle

“To hold our tongues when everyone is gossiping, to smile without hostility at people and institutions, to compensate for the shortage of love in the world with more love in small, private matters; to show greater patience, to forgo the cheap revenge attainable from mockery and criticism: all these things we can do.”

— Hermann Hesse

Mayhem?

Mayhap.

When you slip on a banana peeling, appear as if it were intentional. In fact, this is the way out of many an embarrassing situation. Appear to know what you are about, and other people will soon wonder what is wrong with *them*.



kylie brakeman  
@deadeyebakeman

nobody's thinking about that weird thing you said. they're thinking about a different weird thing you said that you didn't even clock

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Listen, death is coming. Death is coming. Pass me a hot dog.  
Source: misandryad

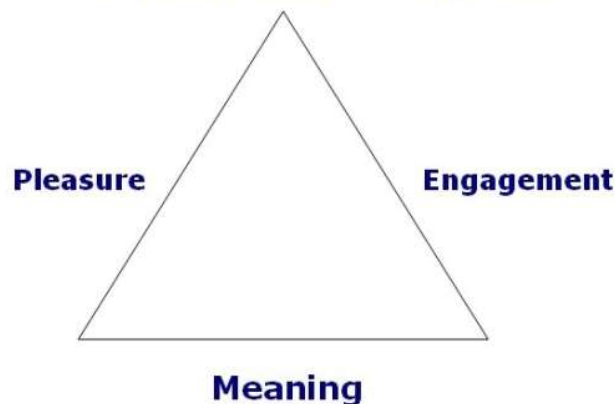




“Most people cannot stand being alone for long. They are always seeking groups to belong to, and if one group dissolves, they look for another. We are group animals still, and there is nothing wrong with that. But what is dangerous is not the belonging to a group, or groups, but not understanding the social laws that govern groups and govern us. When we’re in a group, we tend to think as that group does: we may even have joined the group to find ‘like-minded’ people. But we also find our thinking changing because we belong to a group. It is the hardest thing in the world to maintain an individual dissent opinion, as a member of a group.”

— Doris Lessing, *Prisons We Choose to Live Inside*

### The Components of Happiness





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I'm reading the first chapter of my Ichthyology book for homework and so far my favorite quote is:

**"Humans are not the pinnacle of evolutionary progress but only an aberrant side branch of fish evolution."**

***Dealing With Executive Dysfunction - A Masterpost***

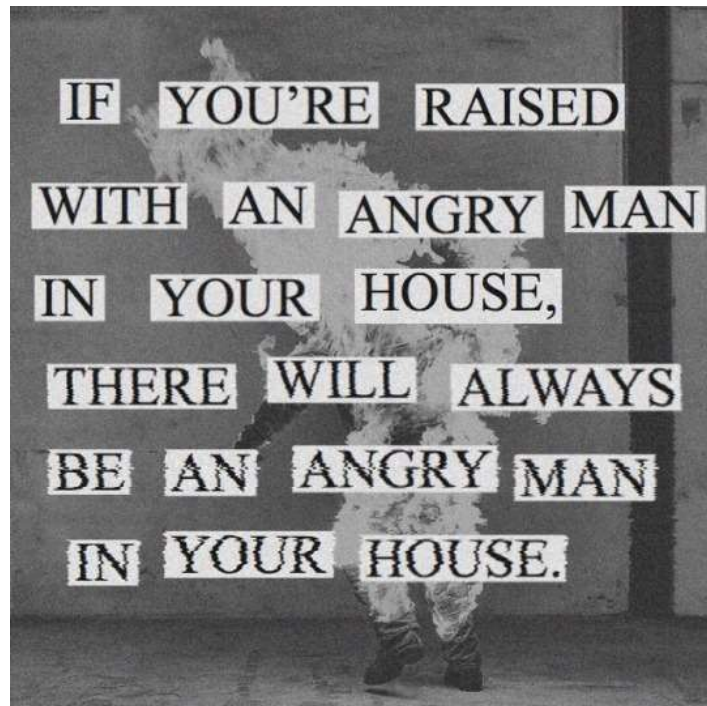
***\*\*\* for those I use/d***

- The "getting it done in an unconventional way" method.
- The "it's not cheating to do it the easy way" method.
- The "fuck what you're supposed to do" method.
- The "get stuff done while you wait" method.
- The "you don't have to do everything at once" method.
- The "it doesn't have to be permanent to be helpful" method.
- The "break the task into smaller steps" method.
- The "treat yourself like a pet" method. \*\*\*
- The "it doesn't have to be all or nothing" method.
- The "put on a persona" method. \*\*\*
- The "act like you're filming a tutorial" method.
- The "you don't have to do it perfectly" method.
- The "wait for a trigger" method.
- The "do it for your future self" method.
- The "might as well" method.
- The "when self discipline doesn't cut it" method. \*\*\*
- The "taking care of yourself to take care of your pet" method. \*\*\*
  - The "make it easy" method.
  - The "junebugging" method.
  - The "just show up" method.
- The "accept when you need help" method.
- The "make it into a game" method.
- The "everything worth doing is worth doing poorly" method.
  - The "trick yourself" method.
- The "break it into even smaller steps" method.
- The "let go of should" method.
- The "your body is an animal you have to take care of" method. \*\*\*
  - The "fork theory" method.
- The "effectivity over aesthetics" method.

*Source: compassionatereminders*

"In the end, we'll all become stories."

- Margaret Atwood



beh, da me no. nemmeno io.

planning an  
argument in  
my head



me arguing



i've started replacing "i want to die" with "i feel overwhelmed" in my internal monologue, which is usually more accurate and more productive

Source: surprisedentistry



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being gender nonconforming is great bc straight people think i'm edgy and intimidating but lgbt people see me and immediately think i'm friend shaped :)



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New gender: comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable

But don't forget who you really are. And I'm not talking about your so-called real name. All names are made up by someone else, even the one your parents gave you. You know who you really are. When you're alone at night, looking up at the stars, or maybe lying in your bed in total darkness, you know that nameless person inside you.

Louis Sachar (via [sunsetquotes](#))



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What if they made playgrounds for grownups? No major difference from regular playgrounds, just slides a little wider, monkey bars a little higher, swing-sets a little sturdier, just generally made for taller and heavier people. No need to get rid of the bright colors and cutesy designs cuz adults deserve cute and happy things too. How much exercise do you think adults would be getting if they could go to a playground after a hard day or week of work? If they could go not to a gym or back home but to a colorful wonderland where they can embrace their inner child and relive a simpler time?

I've been married to one Marxist and one Fascist, and neither one would take the garbage out.

[Lee Grant](#)



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can we, as a society, start to realize that having a phone does NOT mean you HAVE TO BE accessible to anyone and everyone at ALL times??

My mom threw a fit at me for not answering my phone while i was at my friends place. Kinda hypocritical too, given how much she complains that "youth these days spend to much time on their phones"

**north-of-annwn**

Heathens, if you're constantly worried about accidentally offending or angering your deities, I hate to tell you but you may have been the victim of religious abuse at some point in your life. Healthy relationships, whether with human or spirit/deity, don't use fear to strengthen the connection or control the relationship.

**clouds-of-wings**



This is actually something I spent a lot of time thinking about last year. I was talking a lot to someone who had definitely been through religious abuse (grew up in a Christian cult, became Heathen later) and he expressed feelings like this, feelings of being haunted or “chased” by spirits who wanted him to do things he wasn’t comfortable with. It led me to reevaluate my own relationship with spiritual matters, because I had experienced similar things (not as intensely as he described them but similar in principle) but hearing someone else talk about this, someone I cared about on top of that, put this kind of thinking into perspective. Suddenly it wasn’t duty and indebtedness that was front and center on my mind, instead I felt protective of another human and thought about human-spirit relationships in terms of reciprocity and consent.

The thing is, the more I thought about these somewhat dysfunctional ways of relating to spiritual/religious (use whichever word you want) matters, the more other parts of them I saw as a trauma-informed way of thinking, even ones that aren’t directly connected to punishment. The best example is “looking for signs”. Because apparently gods and spirits have the power to change things in your life if they want, but they can’t be expected to communicate clearly? We have to constantly be on the lookout for subtle signs of what they want from us? Sounds iffy to me too, now that I think about it.

Religion didn’t play a big role in my upbringing, but abuse did, and now that I looked at spiritual matters from this new perspective, “sending signs” actually reminded me strongly of an abuse tactic my father was always fond of. Say we’re all eating dinner together. My father wanted something from the other end of the table. He wouldn’t just say “Could you pass me the x”, instead he’d stare pointedly at the thing he wanted and say nothing, waiting for someone to notice and give him the object. If someone did notice and ask “Do you want the x”, he’d respond very kindly. If no one noticed, after a while he’d start stabbing at the object he wanted with his knife or fork, then making exaggerated noises and pretending to be in pain. I don’t know what would have come after, because at that point someone, usually my mother, always relented and played her part in his messed-up little play. The message was clear: we were supposed to constantly pay attention to every sign he gave off, predict his wishes, he didn’t want to have to ask explicitly for what he wanted, a glance should be enough. Similar things happened in other parts of life, but this is a good example.

How is sending mysterious signs any different from this? If the gods are so powerful, they should be able to send clear signs (as in “appearing in a dream saying exactly what they mean” clear), not ones that can be interpreted in five different ways. Even if there’s no punishment for getting it wrong, it’s still manipulative to try to get someone to constantly be on the lookout for subtle ways of communication. Because having a spiritual practice, trying to establish a relationship with deities, and feeling like you’re getting nowhere is a punishment in itself. When I see even experienced practitioners write things like “I think when god q sent me sign x half a year ago, they actually meant y and not z as I originally thought.”, I now can’t help but think - how do you be so old, know humans for so long, and still suck so much at communicating?!

Basically, starting to view religion and spirituality through the lens of “could this way of thinking about spirituality be a product of abuse?” led me to question a lot of things and I’m now rebuilding my spiritual worldview and practice from the ground up. A lot of traditional superstition also seems based on a deep sense of mistrust toward others, combined with confirmation bias. I might fuck around and not overextend myself so much anymore. Maybe view gods as more akin to natural (or even psychological) forces rather than spiritual beings. Because I don’t think the universe is an abusive place, but I do know my brain has been primed to adopt abuse-informed ways of relating to it, and in matters of spirit we project a lot. So therefore if I imagine gods to act in a way that mirrors thinking patterns which were instilled in me through trauma, I consider that that might just be projection.

# **Terry the Fat Shark has returned**



**Terry has no gift**

**Terry hopes that his  
presence will be enough  
of a gift this week**

**Terry will return next  
Wednesday**

Terry understands if you feel sad

I want to lie down in the forest and let moss and lichen grow over me.

why is being alive so expensive. im not even having a good time



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some days aren't meant for talking

Let it go. You did the best you could. There's nothing more you can do. Be at peace, forgive yourself, be at peace.

Source: urfavegoblin

You clean your room and suddenly anything is possible



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Also men's bizarre obsession with the nebulous concept of "the future" is just an attempt to avoid responsibility and accountability for the present.

Men have been obsessed with transcending the here and now since fucking Plato, nothing has changed.



if you can find something in yourself worth saving, you have found a seed. Sow it kind and keep it safe– next harvest will be better.

Source: darkearthsuggestions

Check.

For millions of living things, you aren't a name or a job or a face.  
You're a place.  
A warm wilderness.  
A hospitable night full of the thunderous percussion of your heart, a sun of sound instead of light.  
Bacteria. Mites.  
Wordless generations.  
They name you "homeland."

Source: cryptonature



兔兒神

@chenchenwrites

let me stay tender-hearted, despite despite despite







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absolutely loving athena's habit when she's disguised as a mortal of giving some totally normal human reason why she has to leave now to attend to her totally normal human business and then just. turning into a bird instead of walking away out of eyeshot.



When I fall, let me fall without regret like a leaf.

*Wendell Berry*

Liking things isn't supposed to be stressful.  
-- Wally West

1. Renounce useless guilt.
2. Don't make a cult of suffering.
3. Live in the Now (or at least the Soon).
4. Always do the things you fear the most; courage is an acquired taste, like caviar.
5. Trust all joy.
6. If the evil eye fixes you in its gaze, look elsewhere.

How to Save Your Own Life, Erica Jong

When you come into the real truth about yourself, you realize that the only person equipped to handle it is you.

Marlon James, *A Brief History of Seven Killings* (via [quotespile](#))

#### **humans-are-seriously-weird**

Yo what is up with men always being intimidated and freaked out when they find out I have survival skills? Genuine question here.

This guy was flirting with me and he went "I love deep woods camping, but dont worry, I'd never expect someone like you to come. You'd hate it."

To which I happily replied, "oh that sounds like a blast! I prefer a tarp and a sleeping bag over a tent, and I'm excellent at starting fires with flint and steel!"

And homie looked soooo uncomfortable. "I usually bring small rations, then hunt for most of my meals. You know, skinning animals and stuff. I doubt you'd enjoy that."

He seemed mildly taken aback when I mentioned I have no qualms filleting a fish, or helping to carve up a deer if needed. He then said, and I QUOTE, "Sorry, I dont think I could date such a manly woman." And left.

Sir, I will go and build a camp with my bare hands, and I'll do it with pretty pink lipstick on.

#### **cheeseanonioncrisps**

You dodged a bullet.

#### **ingridverse**

She did not dodge a bullet. She caught that bullet in her teeth, chewed on it thoughtfully, spat it into her palm, dropped it in a wastebasket, then said "What, like it's hard?" like Elle Woods



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the classic Finnish mix of extreme dutifulness and "we will make actual conversation after a silent interaction trial period of 6 weeks, thank you" can be really funny sometimes. told my coworker that I'd like to save the coffee grounds the workplace generated and take them home "for my mushrooms and worms" and she was just like "okei" and dutifully saved every single grounds-filled filter for weeks and weeks. about five weeks into this whole thing, after I thank her for the coffee grounds and tell her my worms must love them because they're breeding very enthusiastically, she finally asks "so your worms... do they have a purpose or are they just... worms". like sure I'll save you all these coffee grounds every single time I drink coffee, 3+ times a day, but *god forbid* I inquire about your specific worm habits before propriety allows it. you could be eating them for breakfast for all I know but that's *your* business

**Child, screaming:** "Why should I trust you?!!!"

**Babysitter:** "Because I'm an adult."

**Child:** "So is every murderer ever!!!"

"Be my mother, I said to the trees, in the language of trees, which can't be transcribed, and they shook their hair back, and they bent low with their many arms, and they looked into my eyes as only trees can look into the eyes of a person, they touched me with the rain on their fingers till I was all droplets, till I was a mist, and they said they would."

— Emily Berry, from "Canopy," in *Stranger, Baby* (via [firstfullmoon](#))



**YSAC**  
@Yousuckatcookin



You don't have to let yourself spiral out of control. You can let yourself stripe, polka dot, or zigzag out of control. You got this

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“An old alchemist gave the following consolation to one of his disciples: ‘No matter how isolated you are and how lonely you feel, if you do your work truly and conscientiously, unknown friends will come and seek you.’”

— *Carl Gustav Jung*

Lina. Nena. Alberto. Beppe. Hugo.

“The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away.”

— Pablo Picasso



We get so few chances in life to be of real use to another person, to make their life more bearable, and meanwhile the chances to do harm are everywhere and often discreet; you don't fully realize what you've done until it's over.

"Compromise" by Ada Zhang

"It takes courage to grow up and turn out to be who you really are."

*e.e.cummings*

My old therapist once said "it's hard to deal with trauma while you're being actively traumatized."



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*Be teachable. You're not always right.*

like trying to act in a play, where everyone else has a script except you

Punk: The world is fucked and I'm  
pissed

Emo: The world is fucked and I'm  
sad

Goth: The world is fucked but there's  
beauty

-- bly





Jewish Space Laser  
@goulcher

can't stop thinking about people that first ate mushrooms they found and just had to go through trial and error of like, this one tastes like beef, this one killed Brian immediately and this one makes you see God for a week



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[ID: tweet from @/avishaiw reads: we hired someone from an elder care agency to live in my grandparents home and help them out but she quit after 1 night because she says the house is haunted.

reply from OP: Update-- the person we hired to replace her says she saw the ghost but isn't afraid of it, so we're good. /]

**I've got a touch of writer's cramp again  
and it has attacked me between the ears  
as usual.**



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I'm pretty sure the only reason I've never been, like mugged or offered drugs or something is because my complete obliviousness somehow comes off as badassery.



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dark academia is just when the lightbulbs in the library haven't been replaced in nine years



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dark academia is when your department is in the basement



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You can just say dark academia is archaeology it's ok



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This post hurled me back to ten years ago in the Sheffield Western Bank Library when I had to go to the sub-basement via an unlit staircase repeatedly for books, and fewer than half of the lights worked so I had to use the "torch" function on my phone (just a white screen, it was a £9 phone) to try to find the book I needed, when whatever batshit Dewey Decimal system that Sheffield was relying on didn't assign a unique call number to each book.

Dark academia is definitely describing archaeology.





**Is it for this that we dragged ourselves  
from the primeval ooze?**

“You are allowed to be alive. You are allowed to be somebody different. You are allowed to not say goodbye to anybody or explain a single thing to anyone, ever.”

— Augusten Burroughs



**I feel like I lost something vital  
in my heart.**

zoom : your internet connection  
is unstable

me: u should see my life



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“May you have a life of safety and peace”, said the witch, cursing the  
bloodthirsty warrior.



@turtlekiosk

i havent had a new thought in a  
month it's all reruns

when ur friend is venting to u and u get  
angry on their behalf

**Therapissed**

**Look how far away I've moved from you,**

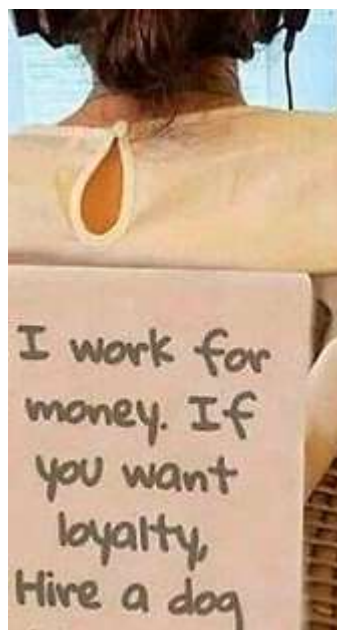
**Even if you called, I would not hear,  
and even if I heard, I would not turn,  
and even if I made that impossible move,  
your face would seem strange to me.**

**Even if you barred my path,  
even if you looked into my eyes,  
I would pass you by**

— Wisława Szymborska, from, "Landscape," originally published in 1976

I'll cry about this earth in heaven too.

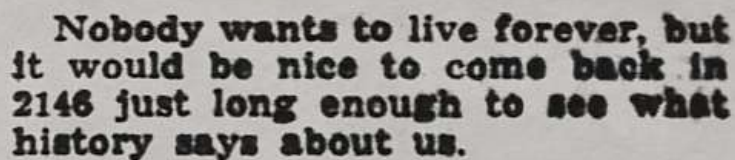
Marina Tsvetaeva, from *Earthly Signs: Moscow Diaries, 1917-1922*; "A Hero of Labor"



I had a girl come in with a research paper bibliography that listed "my mom" as a source several times.

A friend who taught in the politics department received a paper about 'gorilla' warfare in South America. It was so poorly written she couldn't tell if it was a typo, or if they genuinely thought Colombia had been overrun by a Planet of the Apes style revolution. This was in the UK and English was the student's first language.

One student wrote in a discussion board about Lord of the Flies, 'I like how they saved all the flies. That was my favorite part.'



Nobody wants to live forever, but it would be nice to come back in 2146 just long enough to see what history says about us.

## Long wise essay on love expression:

### #1: If your partners love language is QUALITY TIME

#### *Try:*

- being mentally present when you are with them
- making plans to explore new places
- uninterrupted time (ex: putting away your phone)
- creating small moments to connect
- quality and deep conversation

#### *Avoid:*

- being distracted when you are with them
- viewing your partner as needy
- complaining about time spent together
- preparing for other engagements when you're together

### #2: If your partners love language is PHYSICAL TOUCH

#### *Try:*

- offering massages
- initiating intimacy
- making hugs a habit
- non-sexual touch that reminds them of your presence
- putting your arm around them or embracing them



***Avoid:***

long periods without intimacy  
coldly giving affection  
waiting for your partner to express their desire for physical affection

**#3: If your partners love language is ACTS OF SERVICE**

***Try:***

showing, rather than telling  
following through with what you say you will do  
assisting with stressful for time consuming tasks  
looking for small ways to help them (ex: cooking for them, running a bath, paying for gas)  
being spontaneous (ex: surprising them at work with flowers)

***Avoid:***

ignoring requests for help  
not following through  
being close-minded, like feeding into gender-based stereotypes when it comes to tasks

**#4: If your partners love language is WORDS OF AFFIRMATION**

***Try:***

leaving encouraging notes  
creating a playlist of songs that remind you of them  
sharing sentiments for your partners successes and struggles  
complimenting them  
words of appreciation

***Avoid:***

assuming that they know how loved they are  
assuming that they know you are proud of them  
emotionally harsh words  
not recognizing or appreciating their efforts

**#5: If your partners love language is RECEIVING GIFTS**

***Try:***

thoughtfulness in gift giving  
souvenirs when you travel without them  
gifts that symbolize moments, experiences or feelings  
small reminders or tokens when they don't feel their best  
being intentional on holidays, especially their birthday

***Avoid:***

forgetting special occasions  
materialism, gifts are not about the cost  
giving gifts without love or out of "duty"

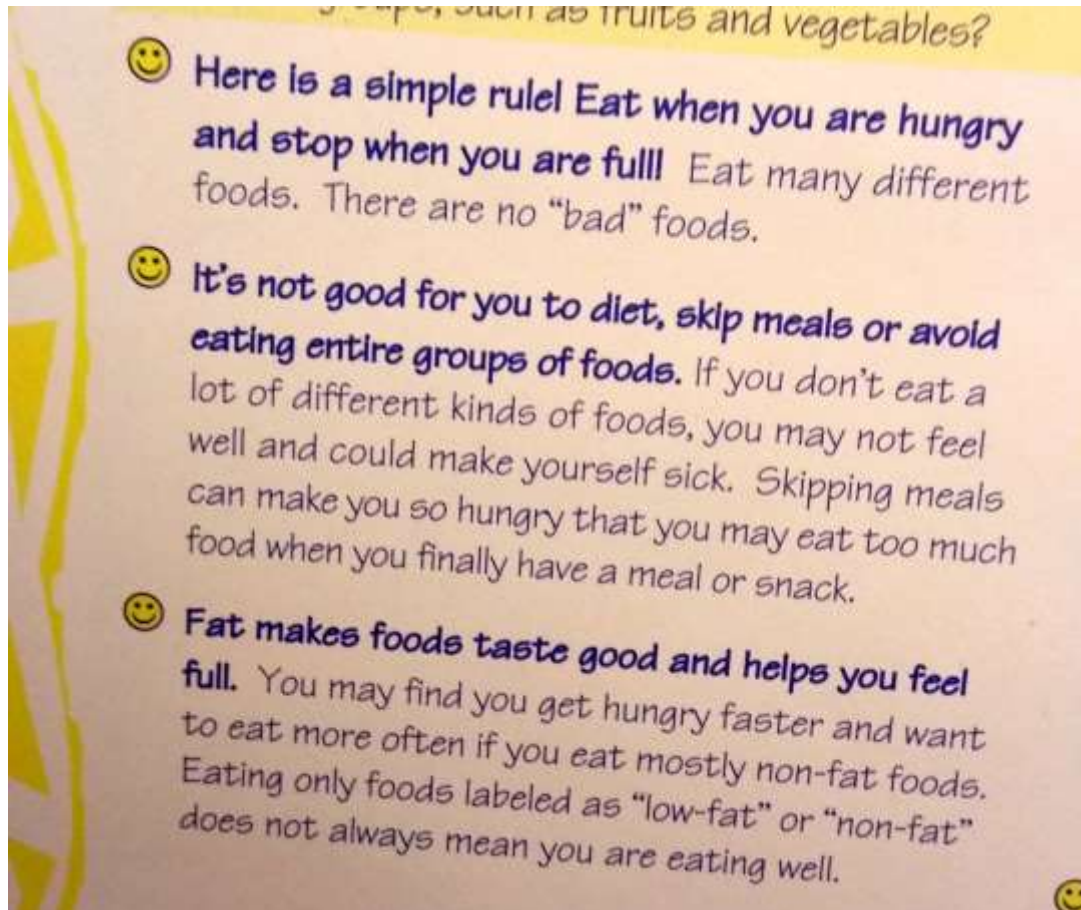
**"Some people care too much. I think it's called  
love."**

*A.A. Milne*

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currently losing my mind at the fact that the 1963 jason and the argonauts movie has one of the most nuanced and good portrayals of zeus and hera i've ever seen in myth adaptation



### **biggest-gaudiest-patronuses**

oh shit! I am sad for no reason!!!!!!

me, confused: we had a good day. we read some fun stories. we got to pet a cat. AND we got shit done. we are fundamentally godlike and our therapist is gonna high five us so hard, so what's going on w/ you buddy?

brain, sipping margaritas and staring off mournfully into a caribbean sunset, whilst nibbling on a tiny paper umbrella: buddy im just not vibin

me: \*pokes brain gently w/ their favorite reading material\* hey buddy you wanna go outside? U want some belly rubs? I've got treats do u want treats? we can do whatever u wanna do...

brain: \*cannot be distracted from frustratedly chewing on its own leg\*

me: buddy

**unlettered-heathen**

Your brain probably just decided it was Time to Process Stuff since you were safe enough to be happy... at least, that's how mine seems to work \\_(ツ)\_/

**biggest-gaudiest-patronuses**

Oh crap that actually makes a huge amount of sense

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bi women are women who like men in a gay way. wont elaborate

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The most widely published authors of all time are a god, a man, and a woman. The Christian Bible is the first most-sold "author," followed by Williams Shakespeare then Agatha Christie.

I don't  
want you  
to be  
nervous. Maybe  
thinking of  
a walrus  
would help.

(...)

Please forget  
your scarf  
in my  
life and  
come back  
later for  
it.

*For M, Mikko Harvey*



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i overthink....therefore....i overam....



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so many songs to listen to. so many books to read. so many things to watch. so much stuff to write. i think i will sit here and decompose

I hate when people ask me what I did yesterday.

I don't know, I breathed a lot. Probably got mad at something... Sighed heavily. The list goes on.





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## Overheard in the labyrinth

**Asterios:** I'll pretty much eat whatever they feed me anyway. Except babies.

**Theseus:** Excuse me??

**Asterios:** Oh, I don't eat babies. Or kids. And that includes veal. It just feels... weird.

**Asterios:** Don't get me wrong, my stepdad is, like, ALWAYS trying to feed me live children. I think he thinks it'll make me scarier or something. But mostly, I just push them around my plate for a while and then scrape them in the trash when he's not looking.

**Asterios:** How about you? Anything you won't eat?

**Theseus:** Well I was going to express a dislike of squid, but I guess babies top my list as well.



**Dr. Brooke Foucault Welles #BLM** ...  
@foucaultwelles

Faculty friends, we are 12 months into a pandemic. Your students are not trying to trick you, they are in distress. They need your kindness and empathy more than they need training for some hypothetical "real world" where deadlines are immutable and trauma is not acknowledged.

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I keep a notepad beside my bed so I can jot down notes if I need to. Last night, in the middle of the night, I wrote down "*Can you move*" with a second barely legible note saying "*realizing the quiet makes them come back*"

"He who blames others has a long way to go on his journey. He who blames himself is halfway there. He who blames no one has arrived." - Chinese Proverb.



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May you live in boring times. Like, the dullest times ever. May you drink cups of tea watching clouds of ambient sheep float across pastoral landscapes awash with pale sunlight. The pears in the orchard are slowly ripening. You haven't watched the news in seven years.



Heinz Baked Jeans  
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kind of a bummer to have been born at the very end of the Fuck Around century just to live the rest of my life in the Find Out century

### **questbedhead**

My new, totally uneducated guess for why humans tell stories is to keep them from getting bored and cranky while following a gazelle for four hours. No deeper mystery or meaning. Some folk needed a distraction while they tried to catch dinner so they just made some shit up. The end.

### **technicallyoneofakind**

The equivalent of listening and singing to songs on your way home so you don't fall asleep at the wheel.

### **questbedhead**

For millennia upon millenia, humans have had to yell creatively to keep on task

### **awaytoday**

theres a theory that the reason there are so many characters in folk tales who weave/spin is because weavers/spinners were bored while they were doing the repetitve work that doesnt require much brian power for experienced workers. e.g. the greek fates, rumpelstiltskin, sleeping beauty pricking her finger on a spindle.

so the weavers/spinners were telling stories to pass the time and then they were like 'yo but what if WE were in it.'

also interesting that making up a story as you tell it is called 'spinning a tale'

### **nicolauda**

in Australian Aboriginal English, telling a story is also called "yarning."

### **gehayi**

Don't forget other words for "storyteller"--like "tale-spinner" and "dreamweaver."



**Alex Pettijohn**  
@98fireball

I used to think coffee was a grown-up drink. Then I thought alcohol was a grown up drink. Now I have finally achieved full enlightenment to understand that it is water that is the grown-up drink

Oh shit, girl did you



intimidate yourself out  
of working on a project  
for fun?

A foe of civil rights says he's "a segregationist but not a racist." It's a neat trick — like being a cabbage but not a vegetable.

\* \* \*

My steps to recovery, psychological  
health and emotional stability







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it's alarmingly unsung that *frankenstein* was conceived and written by a 19 year old woman

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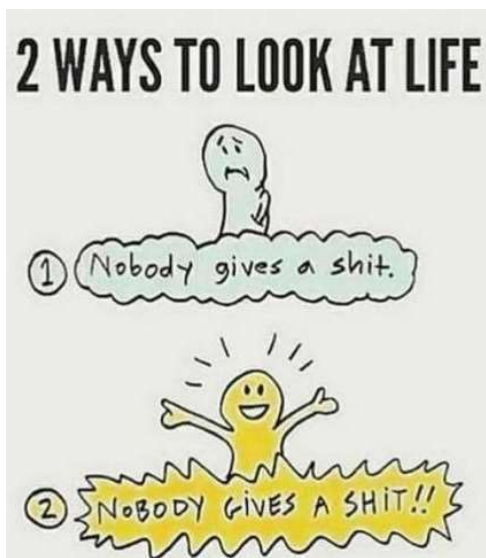
*"Beneath every history, another history."*



Totally  
@the\_ena\_da

Honestly, spend your twenties building as many hard skills as you can. Take a cooking class. learn to sew. learn to code. learn to resurrect the dead. learn to garden. Learn to fix a bike. etc. You'll gracefully and confidently navigate adulthood when armed with many skills :)

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If Julian “the Apostate” had reigned for several decades, the notion of Daylight Saving Time would have been justifiably denounced as sacrilege against Sol Invictus and never introduced in the first place.



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representation.<sup>649</sup> Sometimes, it was not even necessary to use actual Greek to advertise their professional competence: a set of four *collyrium* stamps from Seine-et-Oise (Gaul) were written in the Latin language, but using Greek script. All that mattered was to give an impression of Greek.<sup>650</sup>

τοδει αι λερνδ δατ ραιτινγ λαικ δις γος βακ του αντσειντ ρομ



“What the world really needs is more love and less paper work.”

*Pearl Bailey*

<  Drew Latner  
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Adulthood probably the worst hood  
I've ever lived in. Very ghetto here



Sweatpants Cher   
@House\_Feminist

me: I'm having a lot of anxiety  
most people: oh no what's wrong  
me: oh lol nothing this is just how  
being alive is for me

*An Arrow may have  
your name on it, but a  
Fireball is addressed to  
"To Whom It May Concern"*



When you think you hit rock bottom







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One thing I'm going to make a habit of if I ever have kids is asking "do you want the fast answer or the full answer? »

Because as a child one of the most frustrating things was asking a question and

1) the adult brushed me off with the quickest answer possible because they either didn't think I would understand the complete answer or because they were busy

Or

2) the adult immediately began to explain in-depth to me, or using a book or computer to show me something that I didn't care about that much and just wanted a brief answer to



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Sometimes kids will ask "what are clouds made of?" And you can say "water" and they will be like "okay."

And other times they will be like "but why don't they look like water? How do they get up there? Why do they float?" Etc. Etc.





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There was a medieval parenting manual that recommended parents smack pieces of furniture their toddlers bumped into and scold the furniture for being so naughty as to get in the way, so that the kids would laugh and forget about their bumps and bruises

I read that and my heart melted

(source: Medieval Women by Deirdre Jackson. She cited the primary source but I cannot for the life of me find the book to check what it was called)



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Advertisers must convince young women that they are in need of constant improvement without threatening young women's views of themselves as intelligent, self-directed, and equal. Buzz words like "empowerment," "self-determination," and "independence" are sprinkled liberally across their pages. But this seemingly progressive rhetoric is used to sell products and ideas that keep girls doing gender in appropriately feminine ways, leading them to reproduce, rather than challenge, gender hierarchies. An ad for a depilatory cream, for instance, tells girls that they are "unique, determined, and unstoppable," so they should not "settle... for sandpaper skin." Feminist demands for political and economic equality—and the refusal to settle for low-wages, violence, and second-class citizenship—morph into a refusal to settle for less than silky skin. Pseudo-feminist language allows young women to believe that they can "empower" themselves at the checkout counter by buying the accoutrements of traditional femininity.

- Amanda M. Gengler, 'Selling Feminism, Consuming Femininity'

#they sell insecurity by calling it confidence

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i'm the opposite of 'i liked it before it became popular' i only discover new things to like once they're not popular anymore





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A tall, thin blonde person of indeterminate gender was watching me. They were very tall, dressed like David Bowie and had a German accent. They took a big drag of their cigarette and said, "You know, the problem with you humans is you give away every part of your self until there is nothing left." I looked down at my body, and my entire torso had been hollowed out. Everything inside had been replaced with black and silver machines. They blew out a big cloud of cigarette smoke and told me, "Just because you exist by accident doesn't make it any less meaningful."



**Seth Rudy**  
@SethRudy



Of course academia is not a cult. Cults offer a sense of belonging.

**lambily-deactivated20200702**

I diagnose you with the weight of living



**S8N**  
@okmvnny



"can you multitask?" yes actually i am losing my mind and chilling at the same time





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Obviously there are many things to dislike about adulthood but as someone who grew up in an abusive household for whom adulthood offered the only chance at an escape, it's incredibly important to me that i romanticize adulthood whenever possible because i know there are kids and teenagers like me out there who are seeing nothing but complaints about rent and taxes and the loneliness of living on your own and i know they're going to internalize all of that and assume it means that adulthood *won't* offer them the freedom and safety they've been dreaming of. So while i never want to minimize the difficulties of being an adult, i also want to highlight how incredibly nice it can be to finally have ownership of your life and your body and your time and money and food and everything else in a way that you never had before. You can choose when you wake up! You can choose what you have for breakfast! You can choose when to go to sleep or if you want to (inadvisably) stay up all night watching tv in the living room! *In the living room!* You can choose what to watch! These *are* little things, but they are worth taking pleasure in, and they are worth looking forward to.



nicole   
@nicole\_pumpkins

If you were the type of child that hoarded stickers because you couldn't commit to sticking them onto something and not be able to remove them in one piece.. congrats, your now an anxious adult!



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So many people who post those "women are socialized to do this, why men can't?" things are talking about things that absolutely aren't mainstream female socialization where they live, and really make you want to sit them down and tell them "this is something abusive your own mom and her alone did to you specifically, and not an an universal experience of relatable girlhood, I'm very sorry and I hope you recover from this!"



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People in general struggle to understand what things, good or bad, are specific to their family and which are typical of their class, culture, race, or gender.

“Novembers are for softest sleep when skies are dark and grey. They do not mind the time you keep when night looks much like day. They do not mind the rain that falls so warmly down your cheek. ‘Rest easy now’ is what they’d say if months knew how to speak.”

— Ellis Nightingale



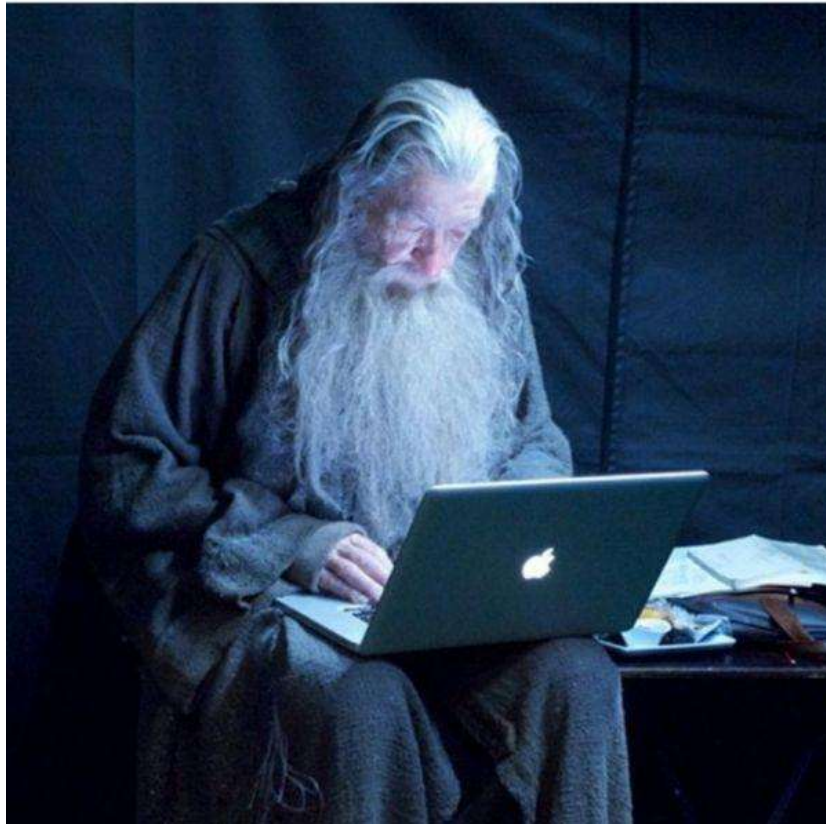
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What sounds do you find satisfying?



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CHANGING YOUR MIND IS PROOF THAT YOU HAVE ONE.

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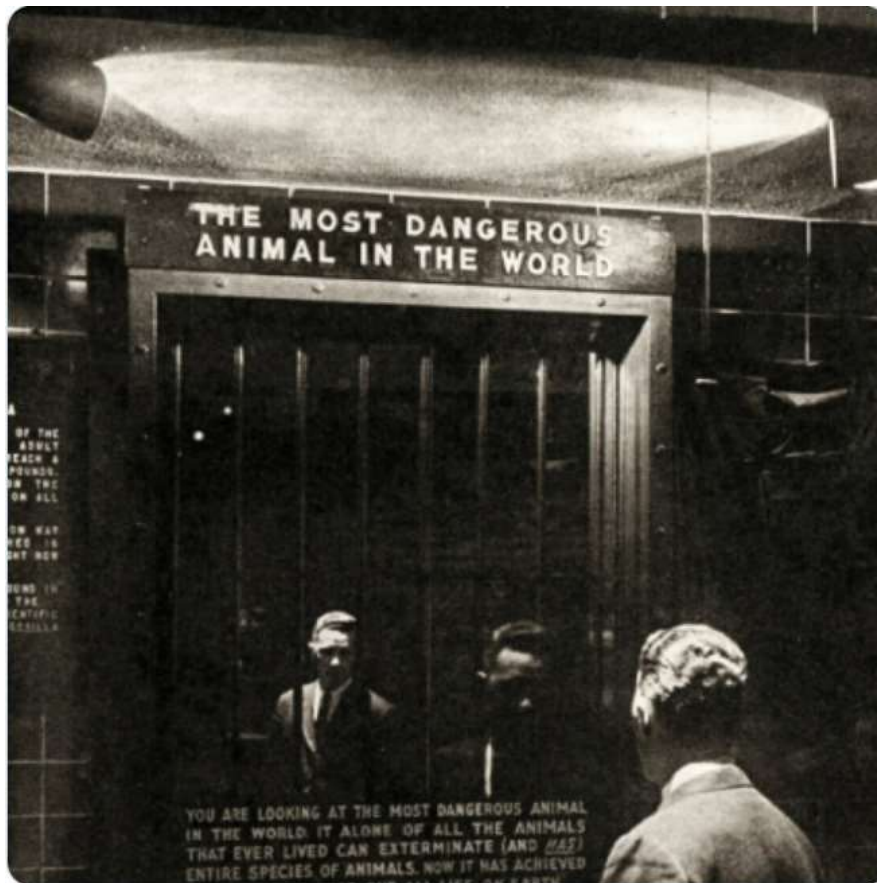
some people find it odd that neoptolemus is like a 12 year old war criminal but as someone who works with middle schoolers on the regular, i don't know a single one of them that wouldn't willfully and gleefully violate the geneva conventions if given the opportunity



## THE BOLTED DOOR

“Oh, it’s all right,” said Granice cheerfully. He was beginning to feel the reaction that food and company always produced in him. It was not any recovered pleasure in life that he felt, but only a deeper withdrawal into himself. It was easier to go on automatically with the social gestures than to uncover to any human eye the abyss within him.

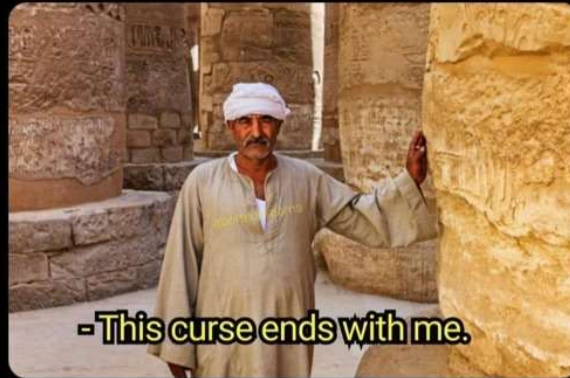
-- Edith Wharton



A student once asked Bruce Lee "You teach me fighting, but you talk about peace. How do you reconcile the two?" Bruce Lee replied, "It's better to be a warrior in a garden than to be a gardener in a war."



Me explaining to my parents why I'm not having kids



The highest function of ecology is the understanding of consequences.

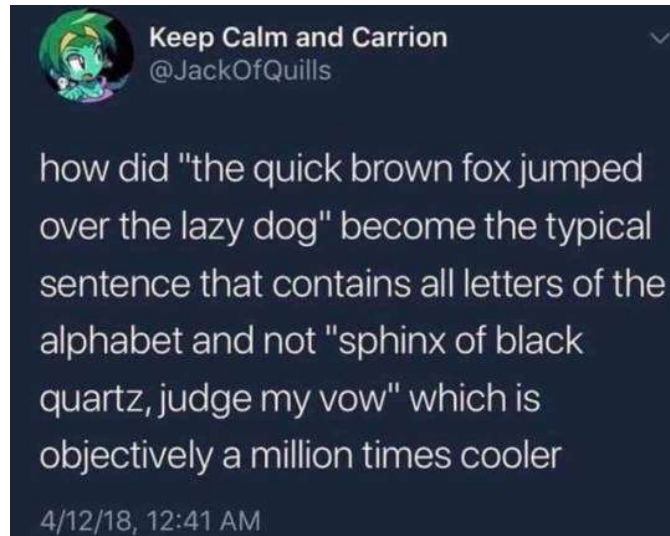


The weakness of thinking machines is that they actually believe all the information they receive, and react accordingly.



Power attracts pathological personalities. It is not that power corrupts but that it is magnetic to the corruptible.

...come le Alfa Romeo



Next week has been exhausting.

every time you leave the house w some aspect of your physical appearance challenging norms but honoring yourself, you get a little firmer in your conviction that you have the right to exist and be a body however tf you want

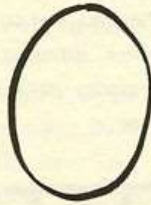
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i make fun of pliny the elder a lot for writing down a whole lot of bullshit medicines and cures but i have to give him credit for the fact that he said a great cure for a stomachache is to hold a puppy in your lap, and i have to say that sounds like a GREAT cure to me

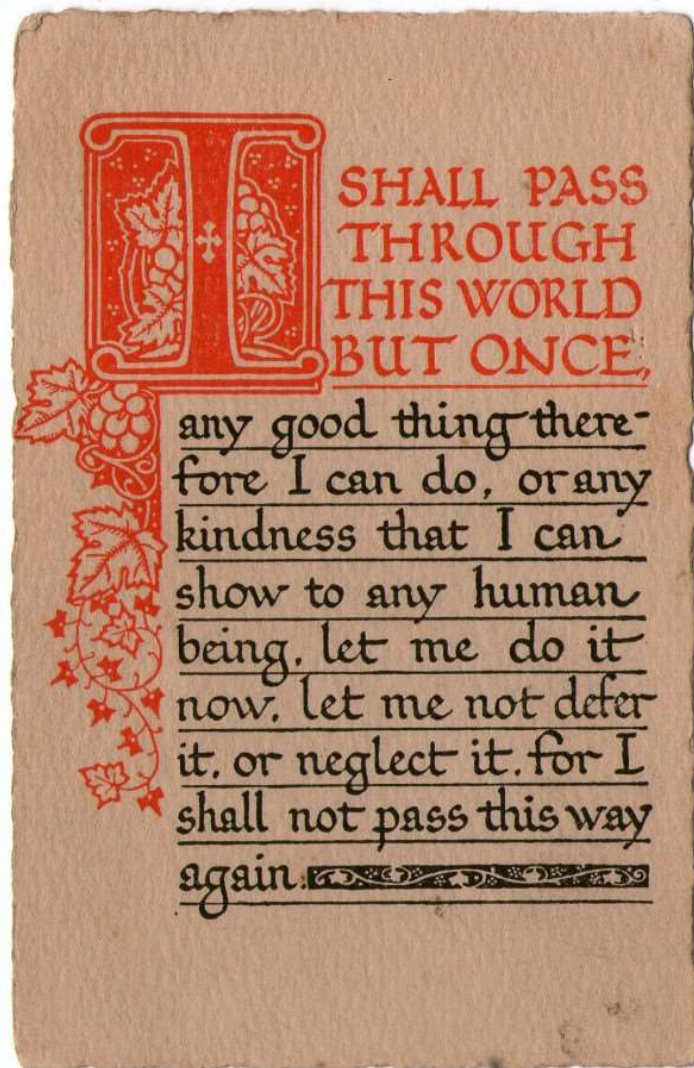
I drew the Earthling symbol for *nothingness*, which was this:

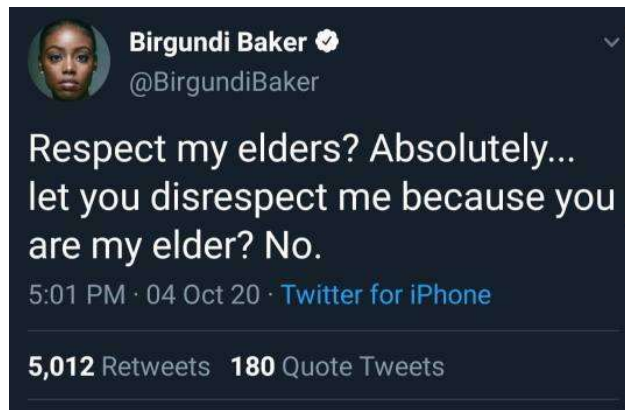


I drew the Earthling symbol for *everything*, which was this:




-- Kurt Vonnegut






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What if I started blogging in the style of middle-schoolers who are trying to translate Latin?

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The snow having fallen much today, it is necessary to place boots on myself. It is difficult to walk, for the snow is deep. I have arrived at the house very tired because of walking.

### **thatwriterwiththeblock**

This might be a bit of an unpopular take but it's okay to be in love with someone who doesn't like you back.

I don't mean being in a relationship with someone who's stringing you along or never getting over someone hoping they'll eventually like you back, obviously, but like... the idea that if someone doesn't return feelings for you then they were never worth your attention in the first place or that they should "look at what's right beside them" or whatever is so bad but I also see it everywhere.

Sometimes someone can be worthy of your love and also not like you back that way.

On top of that is the expectations of perfect love or that being in unrequited love is pathetic or sad, or that you can only be happy if someone you like a certain way likes you back the same way, and I fully blame societal amatonormativity for this. In movies and books unrequited love is always framed as either "they were never good enough for you (and usually there's an undercurrent of about implication they were 'using' you)" or "by the end they realized what they were looking for was right beside them the entire time, they fall in love the end" and like

Yeah, it sucks when someone doesn't like you back, but I've been in unrequited love a few times now and my general experience is that I don't love them less because they love me differently. All



my loves were close friends first, and they all remain close friends to this day, aware of my current or former feelings, and it's... okay.

It's okay to not be in storybook love. It's okay to love someone differently than they love you. It's okay to love someone who's aroace or gay or straight and can't be into you that way. It's okay to be in love with someone and not want to start a relationship with them because you're not ready or you're happy single or you're relationship types aren't compatible, and it's okay to fall in love with someone who loves someone else who isn't the bad guy either.

Love is supposed to feel good. Loving being in love without it being requited is okay. Nobody has to be the villain or the bad guy or the one that's missing out—sometimes, they just don't fall in love with you, and that's okay! If you fell in love with them for the right reasons, you should still love having them in your life, and love having them in your life while your feelings settle and you can both move forward.

Feelings are valid. Jealousy and pain and yearning are par for the course, but what you do with those feelings matters more than whether or not your feelings were returned. It's okay to be in love with someone and happy to be their friend, because friendship isn't a backburner to romantic or queerplatonic feelings or anything else. They can love you as a friend.

Stories can end without romantic or qp or other requited resolution—in my experience, sometimes it makes your relationship stronger, to be able to talk about those feelings and move forward without having them be requited. You can move forward, or move on, or stay in love or fall in love with someone else, and it's okay. Sometimes it works out and sometimes it doesn't and maybe we want different things from the people we love, but it's not a waste of time or a waste of feeling or a waste of a friendship for something to not work out how you'd hoped.

I just don't think enough people celebrate loving someone without it ending in wedding bells. Maybe it's the aroace in me too—but the people I've loved in my life have taught me a lot, and I think that's pretty good, too. I like loving, and I really think more people should.

“Teaching a child not to step on a caterpillar is as valuable to the child as it is to the caterpillar.”

*Bradley Millar*



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Sometimes I just ignore anon hate because theres a proverb I learnt in a Nigerian movie that said.

‘You cannot run naked after a mad man in the street after he has taken your clothes away from you because the public will not know who is the mad person between the two of you’



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It's also such a simple solve relative to the problems it feels like we've all been facing 24/7 recently. We don't need to pass bills through hostile legislatures or invent vaccines faster than ever before or somehow enact sociocultural change on a massive to get people to stop killing people for the crime of different colored skin - we just need to move a boat. It's a big boat, and our foes are the laws of gravity and friction and, I dunno, hydrodynamics, and they are far more implacable than even structural inequality, non belief in science, etc - but my god, they're old foes, they follow rules, and we know how to defeat them. It might take a while, but we're going to move that damn boat. And in the meantime, no article I've found has said that anyone's dying from this. No one's losing their jobs. That might change? If the boat stays stuck for, like, weeks, there's likely going to be shortages of random odds and ends, slow-downs in factories, idk. It's human hubris foiled by nature but *without* horrendous, deadly consequences and *with* clear practical solutions. Of COURSE we're all in hysterics.



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I pray I don't mishandle what I prayed for.

### **biggest-gaudiest-patronuses**

You do owe the world things, actually. It's just those things tend to be perfectly balanced.

You owe people respect and dignity; they owe the same to you.

You owe children kindness; as a child, you are owed a kind world.

You are owed nourishment by any world that brings you into existence, you are owed a chance to thrive. In return, you owe the same to any people or creatures you agree to take guardianship over.

The issue is not that we, and others, and the world in general, owe each other. We are all born being owed certain things, and by living we acquire debts; life requires this interdependence to thrive. The issue is that we are often misled as to what this actually means, by those who would take advantage of us. We are lied to by authority figures who do not want to respect us, or acknowledge their responsibility to us. Worse: we mistakenly come to believe that taking advantage of others is the key to restoring balance. We were cheated, so others must be cheated in turn.

We trap ourselves in these deadly cycles. Society betrays us so we are taught to disengage, to break it further. We are taught to forget the value of repair. We are taught to forget what is owed.

Fundamentally, we are taught to forget that people are owed basic decency. When we say we owe the world nothing, we forget we are affirming the opposite: the world owes us nothing in return. But this is so incredibly untrue. We owe the world things, and are owed in return, and that's good, that is so so good. I would hate to live in a world where I didn't believe people were fundamentally owed dignity and decency and kindness. The real issue is that these things often go unpaid, and unreciprocated. We think: "The world gave me nothing, though it should have. Why should I owe anything?"

And that is such a dangerous way to think. That type of thought just turns you into another gear in a destructive machine. That type of thought just allows despair to self-replicate. That type of thought validates the abusers and ensures there is never a shortage of victims. Feed those kinds of thoughts, and a plug gets pulled somewhere inside you, and lets the humanity drain away. You lose everything, trying to steal from others what was stolen from you. You cheat yourself and the world, with that kind of thinking.

I promise you this: When we try to balance the scales by refusing to pay forward what wasn't paid to us, we just double the debt and burden the world in the process. A better world requires that we first do better.

Well, the mainstream scientists weren't having any of *that*, of course, humans are humans and animals are animals and anyone who says it's not that simple is a sentimental fool and a Bad Scientist. There is nothing you can say to a scientist that's worse than accusing them of being a Bad Scientist. They'd rather be arrested for bank robbery than for sentimentality. But when somebody found out that all the lichen on Mars get together occasionally and suddenly go from a lot of mindless little symbiotic thingies that eat and excrete and exchange gases and not much else and become a THINKING MACHINE, all kinds of ideas back on Earth blew up into smithereens, including some scientific definitions of sentimentality.

-- Robin McKinley - Dragonhaven, p. 25

"Do unto those downstream as you would have those upstream do unto you."

*Wendell Berry*



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the internet is an inherently haunted place if you think about it like. it's so weird to see long abandoned discussion boards stuck in a snapshot of the past, old conversations between kids from over a decade ago who have now grown into their own lives, obituaries taking the form of half finished profiles. and the silence that fills the gaps between. there's a constant ghostly record of each generation's thoughts, fads, their sense of humour. back when the future was at their fingertips. even stranger, people you used to know exist openly in that space, and they watch you watching them. if you want, deceased musicians can play through your headphones. there's always an underlying sense of reminiscing and time escaping our ever shortening attention spans. what a fuckin graveyard

Me \*enters new password\*

Computer: ok

Me: Aren't you going tell me it's too weak?

Computer: I've seen your life, you have enough going on

### **a-method-in-it**

For any 14 year olds out there who have an adult friend who leans on them for emotional support, I want ya'll to know that is deeply fucked up and you should block them immediately on everything. I know that sounds cruel -- after all, this person has a lot going on and you're the only person they have in their life that they can rely on! (Or so you have been told.)

But I promise you, it is not cruel. It is necessary.

First -- and you're going to have to trust me on this one -- you are absolutely not going to give them good emotional advice. This is not a judgment on you in the slightest; it is actually science. You are 14. Your prefrontal cortex will not finish developing for another 10 years, at least. I don't care how mature you are, you are not biologically capable of giving good emotional guidance to a fully grown adult. Other teens? Sure! Adults? No.

Second, this adult knows that. I promise you, even the adults who somehow forget what it was like to be a teenager do recognize the difference between a teen and an adult when actually interacting with one. You all are genuinely wonderful 97.2% of the time, as far as I'm concerned, but you are also not adults. And I promise you, we can tell.



So the reason this person is leaning on you for emotional support is not because of the quality of the emotional support -- in fact, I would bet money that they don't even take your advice most of the time, which is part of why you feel like you can't abandon them because you have to convince them to do the thing you think would make things better. No, the reason they lean on you is because it's an ego boost to have someone so wrapped up in their life, and because they are better able to convince a young person that you can't cut them off.

All the adults in their life? The ones with fully developed prefrontal cortexes and life experience and a strong sense of self-worth and years of practice setting boundaries? Yeah, those people probably have already cut them off or just shut down their bullshit.

And you know what? They survived that. They will survive you doing it, too.

Part of growing up is learning to a) recognize unhealthy, manipulative, coercive, and/or abusive behavior and b) respond to it appropriately. Which in the case of an adult exploiting the inexperience of a child means: cut that asshole off. So consider this a part of growing up.

It sucks, and I'm sorry.

Please block them.

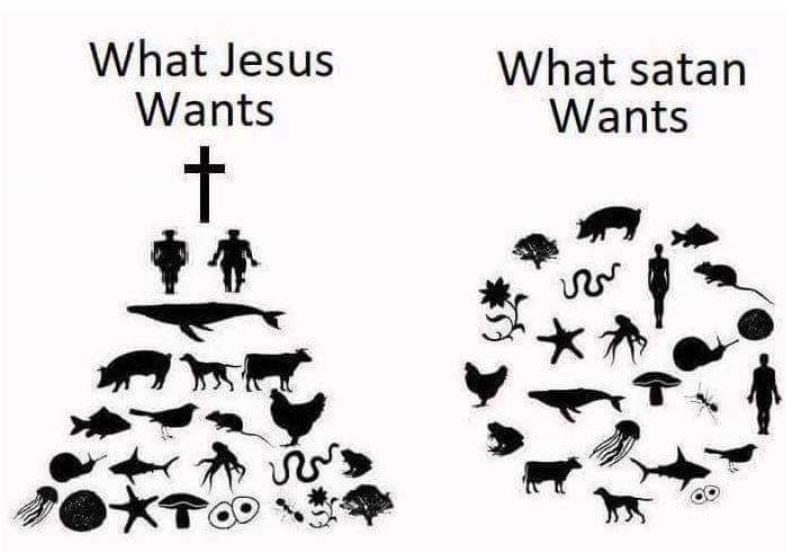
### **EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN ME AND MY FATHER**

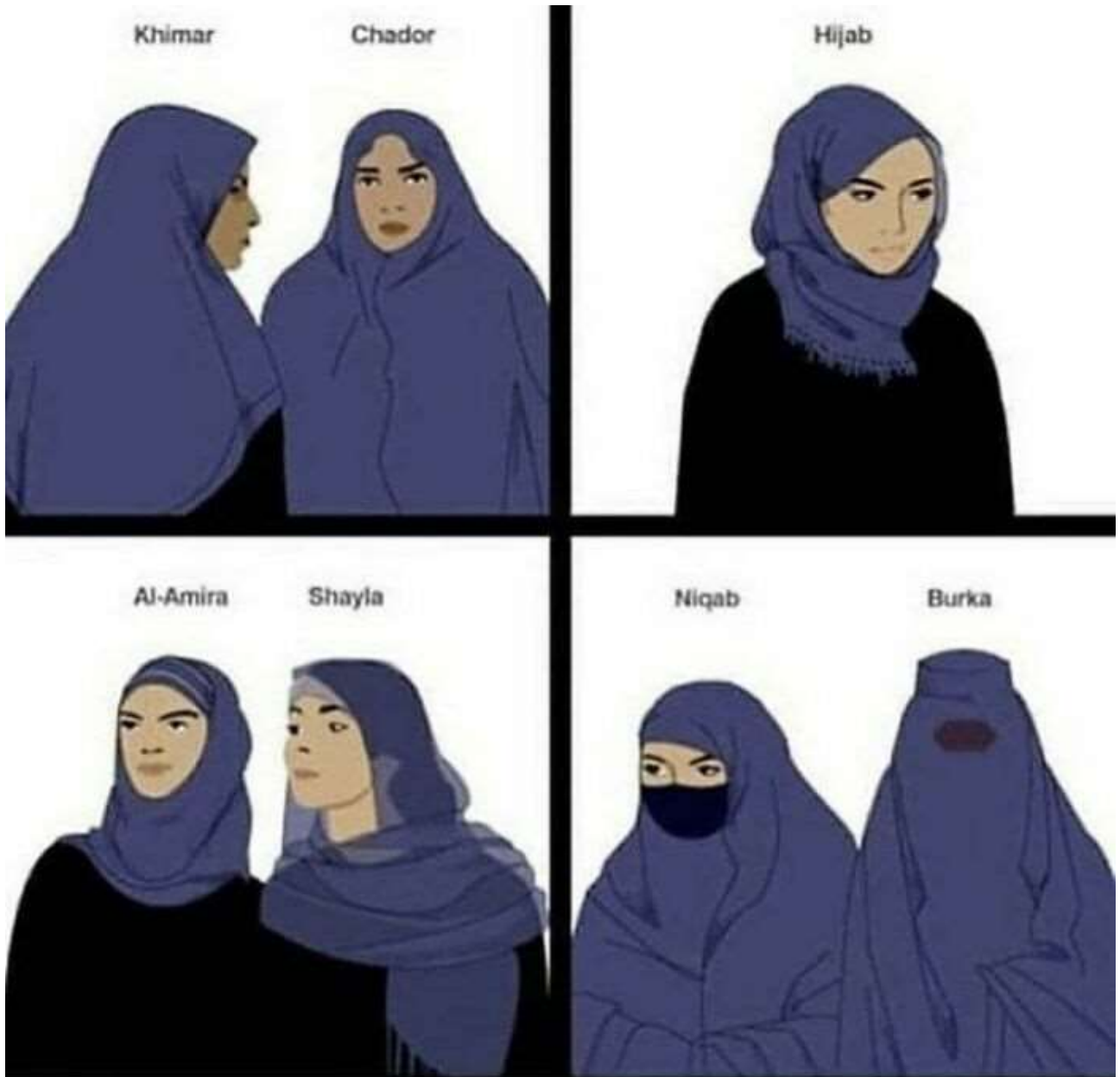
**but I didn't know and nobody told me**

(it took me until 28 to find out and then I finally cut him)

If a victory is told in detail, one can no longer distinguish it from a defeat.

Jean-Paul Sartre, *The Devil and the Good Lord* (via [philosophybits](#))





shinycrookedcrown

This educated me so I'm sharing it



Jesse Case

@jessecase

I have the memory mattress and the gravity blanket. Once I acquire the time pillow and duvet of truth, I can do the summoning.

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Certain historical writers, talking about a famous woman from the past: She was power-hungry, conniving, and selfishly desired wealth and influence

Me, internally: Ok and the scheming kings and noblemen we were just talking about... so they weren't??



**Björk** ✓

22 mins · 🌐



YESSS !! , eruption !! we in iceland are sooo excited !!! we still got it !!! sense of relief when nature expresses herself !!! enjoy , warmthness , björk



**James Clear**  @JamesClear · 13h

Most people need consistency more than they need intensity.

Intensity:

- run a marathon
- write a book in 30 days
- silent meditation retreat

Consistency:

- don't miss a workout for 2 years
- write every week
- daily silence

Intensity makes a good story. Consistency makes progress.



**orteil42** [Follow](#)

love drinking water while taking a piss every chance i get to remind myself of my status as, ultimately, just a loud little tube with opinions



**misspiggy** [Follow](#)

honestly...it's ok to just use your skills on yourself! sewing clothes only you to wear, making art to hang up in your own personal area, singing and recording songs for you only to listen to...like not everything has to be for other people's consumption!





**Lucy Hunt**  
@lucy\_hunt



The best email signature I've ever seen:

"It is normal for me to take 2 days to read my emails and 2 more days to reflect on the matter and respond calmly. The culture of immediacy and the constant fragmentation of time are not very compatible with the kind of life I lead."

A spring wind moves to dance  
any branch that isn't dead.

Rumi, from "The Sun Is Love," *A Year with Rumi: Daily Readings*  
(HarperOne, 2006)



**YSAC**  
@Yousuckatcookin



You don't have to let yourself spiral out of control. You can let yourself stripe, polka dot, or zigzag out of control. You got this

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# I Met God. She's Intersex.

 **Joy Clarkson**  
@joynessthebrave

you are not a machine. you are more like a garden. you need different things on different days. a little sun today, a little less water tomorrow. you have fallow and fruitful seasons. it is not a design flaw. it is wiser than perpetual sameness. what does your garden need today?

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Me doing something alone



when someone is watching

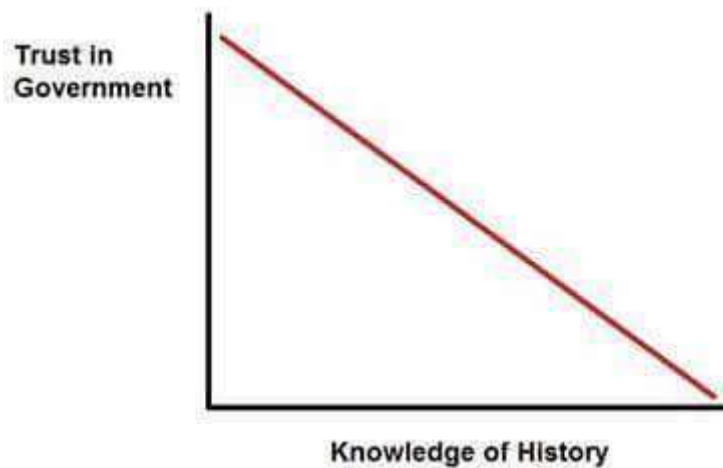






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one of the first laws that needs to go when we abolish the police nationwide is loitering laws. there's absolutely no reason the state should be able to arrest and fine me for like. existing in public.



...do not know if I will ever forget. I do not know if I want to. I am every age I have ever been. All time ever does is pass and all I ever do is remember. There are days I do not recognise myself in old pictures. There are times I feel like my life stopped at 18.

-- Sue Zhao





**Nate Postlethwait**  
@nate\_postlethwait



Please be patient with those who have a hard time articulating how they feel. Many of those people grew up in environments where no matter what they said or how they said it, it was not enough to be heard. Their default to feel safe was to stop sharing. Again, patience please.



**alice** ♥  
@Alice99578890



Replying to @uhprome and @artfulchaos

It's not trust issues, it's a trauma response from your past experiences

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♥ 1.2K



**Spence**  
@pumpkin\_mush



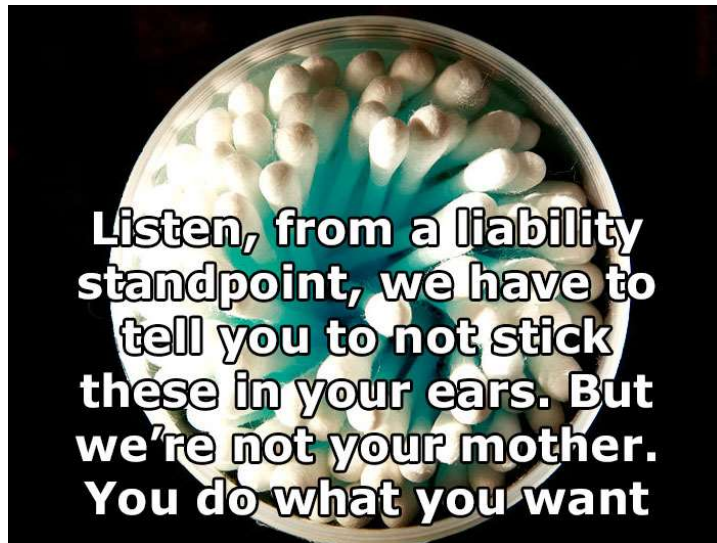
Replying to @uhprome

the best thing i've ever been told is "we repeat situations we get hurt in over and over again because we try to change the ending into something happy. but it doesn't work. the cycle repeats" seriously it changed my life having someone put that into words.

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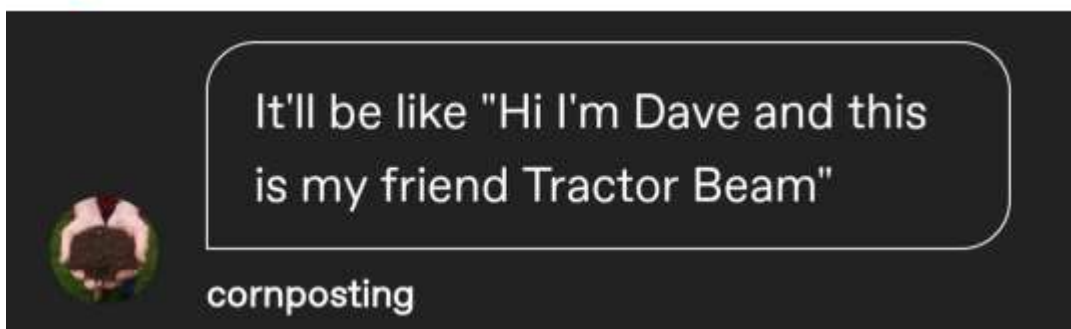
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trans friend groups be like this is james and amy and this is xythan and bermuda triangle (we call them B.T. for short)

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## AUTOCHORISSEXUALISM

A disconnection between oneself and a sexual target/ object of arousal; may involve sexual fantasies, or arousal in response to erotica or pornography, but lacking any desire to be a participant in the sexual activities therein. Commonly found in asexual people; an analogous feeling may occur in aromantic people for romantic fantasies. Coined by Anthony Bogaert.

[asexualityresources.tumblr.com](http://asexualityresources.tumblr.com)



palavenblues

holy shit there is a name for it

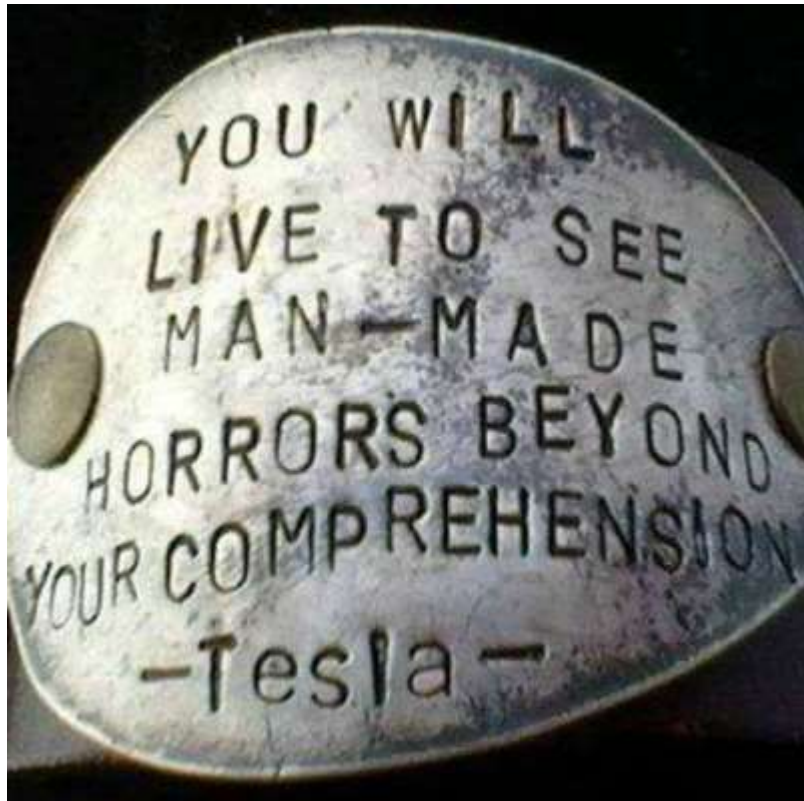


surf ghost  
@moutheaters



Did you know you can just start screaming, basically anywhere. It's not illegal or anything

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"History is an infinite number of events, an infinite number of facts. Inevitably you must select from that number of facts those things which you are going to present, if you are going to write, if you are going to teach. What is going to go into this book, into your lecture, your classroom? There's no way of avoiding the process of selection. Once you make that selection, that selection is based on your point of view whether you acknowledge it or not, whether you even know it or not. There's a way in which you can reproduce the point of view that has been dominant in your culture without understanding that you are reproducing the dominant point of view. So you make a selection according to your point of view. You make a selection according to what you think is important. And different people think different things are important."

-- Howard Zinn

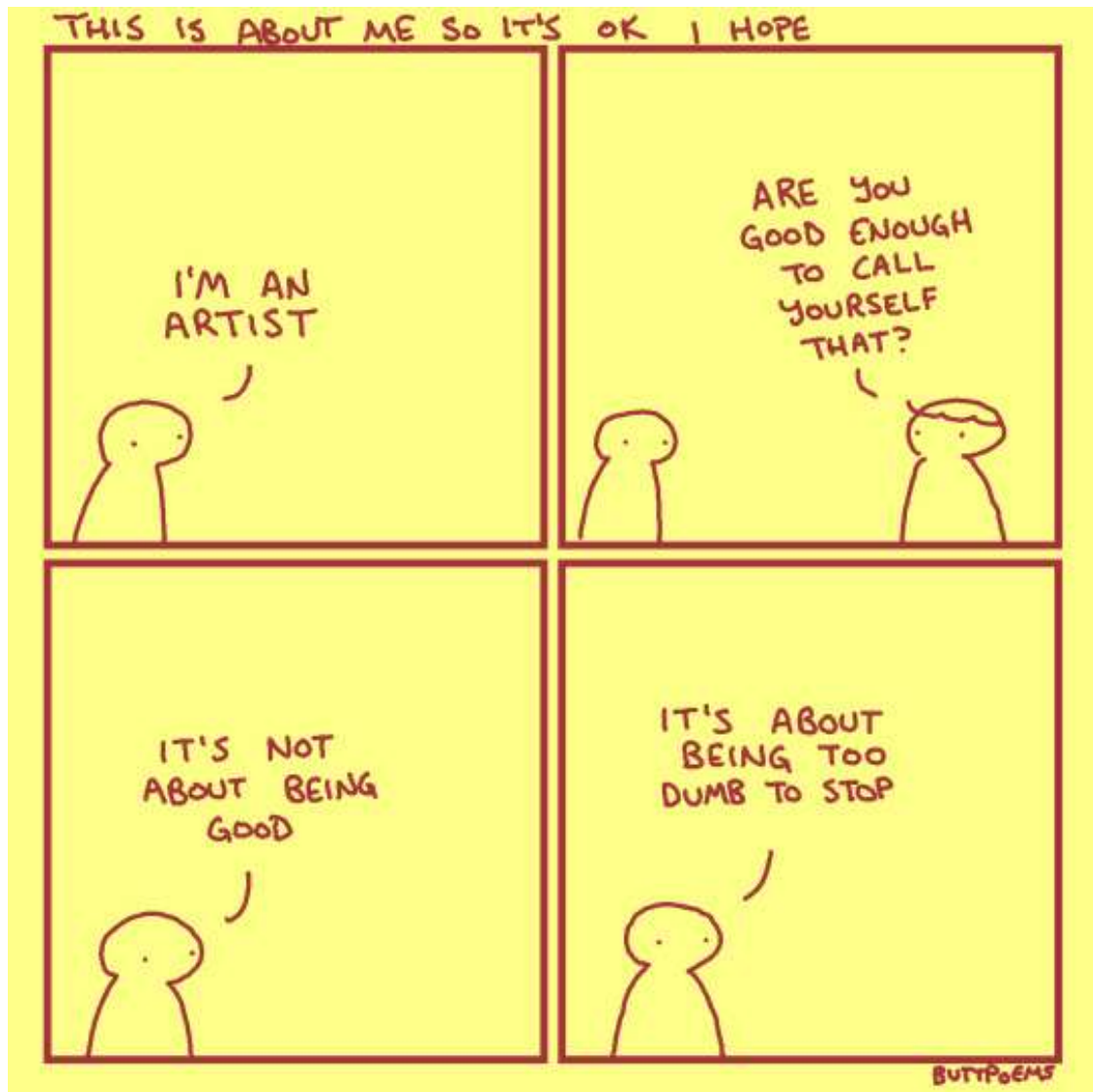


 PWoody   
@PaigeWoodrum

I hate lazy people

 honestabe   
@HonestShuaib

Why? We didn't even do anything.





jay  
@jayhs1k

"ur so considerate"  
thanks i was raised in constant fear of  
upsetting people

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Jon "Jon Baker" Baker  
@JonBaker

We are all this string





rae paoletta ✓  
@PAYOLETTER

...

whenever i see the word "non-  
fungible" i think to myself "not able to  
be a mushroom"

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"why are you  
dressed like that"

"like what"



One real benefit of reading I rarely hear anybody mention is *how much more interesting* life becomes when you read a lot. It depends what you're reading, of course, but most (good) books will teach you something you didn't already know, and even if you have to give the book back to the library, you get to take that much with you. A lot of people talk about things they wish they'd studied in school—I've done it, too—but it's a nice consolation prize that you can always pick up a book and learn something new. And as that library in your brain collects more volumes, everything around you gains new resonances, new context, and new connections which make your lived experience richer. In quarantine alone I've read about religion and politics and history and evolution and computer science and astrophysics without even leaving my house and it's already a more interesting world.

Source: m-l-rio

### **let me tell you about hopepunk.**

grimdark says "we are all going to die. the universe is cold and empty."

hopepunk says "yes, and the greatest act of defiance against the dark is kindness."

grimdark says "nothing can save us forever."

hopepunk says "something can always save us today."

grimdark says "in a hundred years, we will all be dead and forgotten."

hopepunk says "yes, but here and now, we are alive."

grimdark says "there is no hope. there is no mercy. there is no justice."

hopepunk says "but there is us."

hopepunk says "the universe has done all it can, and we are still alive."

hopepunk is not about the daylight. it's about the flame you light in the dark of the night. hopepunk is not about being unbroken. it is about taking the beating and staying on your feet. hopepunk is not idealism. hopepunk is the willful, unyielding defiance of cynicism.

**Source: ghastrmaskzombie**

What was it Dolly Parton said? "Find out who you are, then do it on purpose."

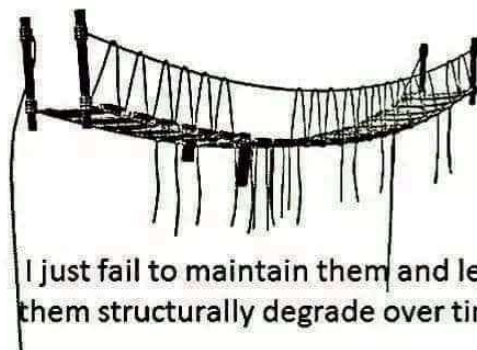




An ant crosses your carpet. A spider weaves a pattern older than mammals beneath your stairs. Just nod, breathe, and think, "Good. It's all still here. The forest, the mountains, the desert. At home in my home." The sterile white box is the stranger. Not the ant. Not the spider.

Source: cryptonature

I don't burn bridges.

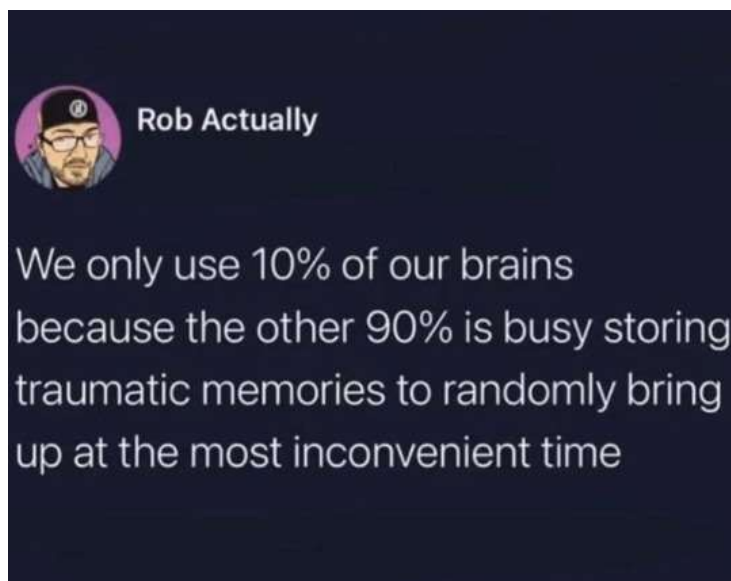


I just fail to maintain them and let them structurally degrade over time.

also here is a predictive text poem written by my phone after i typed out a note saying "ghosts are stored in the rock":

ghosts are trapped in the arctic sun  
ghosts of a poem about the moon  
ghosts i don't know  
ghosts are not immune to the death of the  
people  
ghosts are not a good idea for me  
ghosts of evil creatures are robots in the  
universe  
ghosts of a ghost  
the first city walls are located in the arctic  
ghosts are haunted by their own characters  
i am looking for the first time  
i am not sure what the problem is  
the ghosts are in a very loud story and they  
don't know how to get out

Source: catilinas





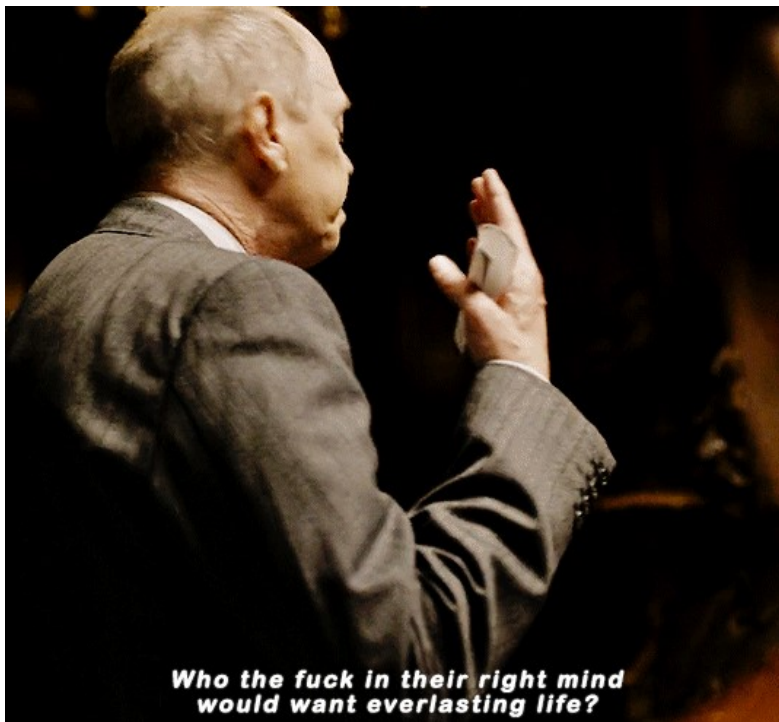
áine   
@cleekies

people go to their family???? when they're sad????? and rely on them for support?????? what the fuck?????

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mel   
@ifibelieveyou

you think you can hurt my feelings?  
i've been the least favourite in every single friendship group i've had since i was 8

*rectius 4*

there's nothing more serious than a  
ghost: somebody trapped in its  
trauma, personal or historical,  
repeating it forever, impossible to  
calm down, unable to break the cycle,  
desperate for a voice and for justice.

-- Mariana Enriquez

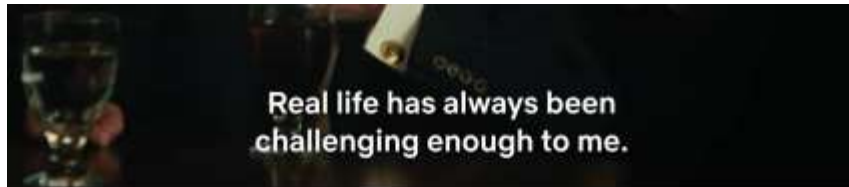
*"You cannot divide the world into good or evil, but  
you can divide it into those who use the Oxford  
comma, and those who don't."*


~ Gail Carriger

"Marilyn Monroe said, "If they love you that much without  
knowing you, they can also hate you the same way." All  
idealisation is punishing and sadistic."

· JACQUELINE ROSE





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If domestic housewives exist, that implies there are feral housewives

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Why is the Fantasy Protagonist's Cool Animal Companion always a wolf, a bird of prey, or something cool? If you live in a medieval-ish society, even if you have cool powers to bond with an animal, it's probably going to be a farm animal.

What about a fantasy book where the heroine's Spirit Companion Animal is a pig. And not a cute piglet, but a huge fucking sow. As clever as a human, but absolutely as ruthless as pigs can be.

And the protagonist is like "should I quit eating pork? Does it disturb you, that milk piglet could have been yours." And the pig is like "bitch first of all the difference is that it *isn't* mine, and don't fucking pretend that - given the chance - I wouldn't eat a human child."

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billiam jaron.

@Will\_daReal

who tf decided to call it "emotional baggage" and not "griefcase" ???



geopsych



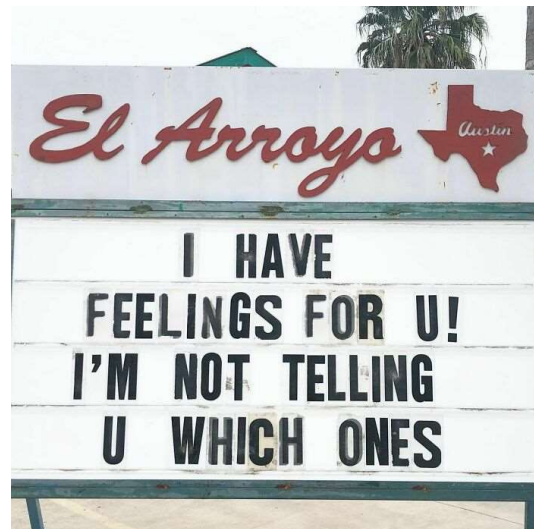
"I think having land and not ruining it is the most beautiful art that anybody could ever want to own."

-Andy Warhol


168 notes



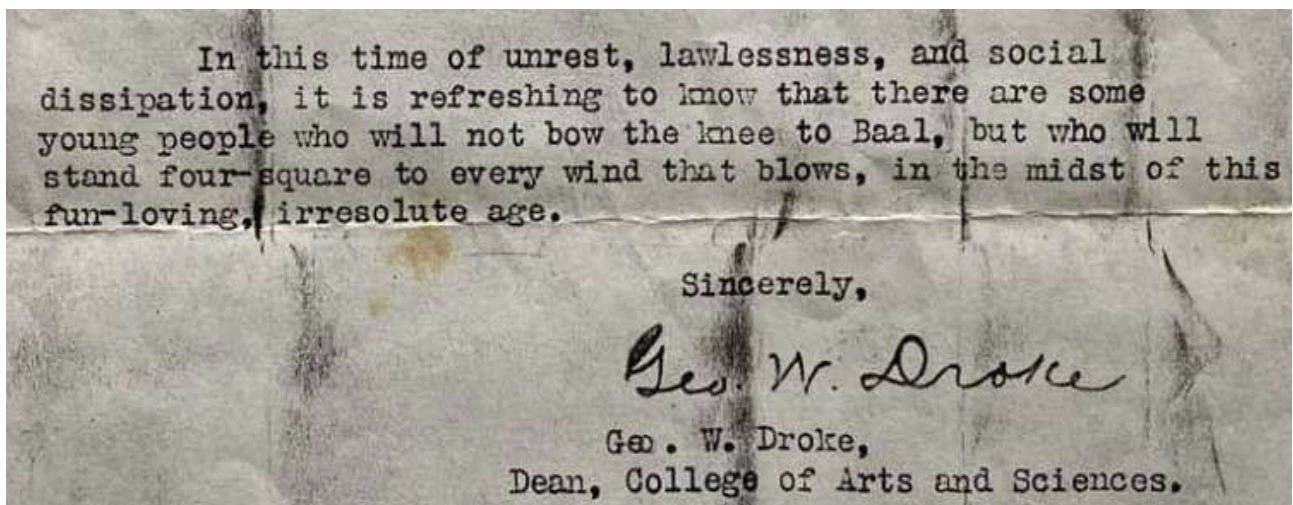
"I have to be seen to be believed"  
-- QE2





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my entire political stance basically boils down to "I care about other people" and MAN does it make people MAD

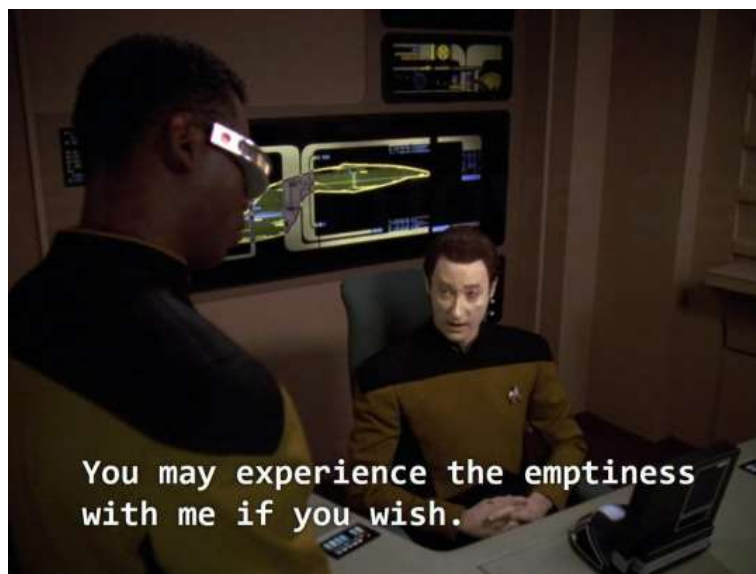


ah, i bei tempi di una volta!  
oh, i giovani d'oggi!




I need some sort of away message for texts that says something like:

"Hi! I am exhausted from human interaction. I know I am posting on social media, but I currently just don't have energy to hold a conversation. I still love you, and will get back to you in 3-5 business days"



- "Ignorance might not actually be bliss, but it is certainly less work."

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accepting that you're objectively weird & owning it is infinitely better than being constantly desperate to appear normal to people who don't even matter to you



emiibarazakis

vampires who mix all slang from the past 5 centuries mercilessly within the same breath and don't even *try* to stop it anymore.



Claudia Turner  
@cloudypianos

Sorry I had feelings I'll replace them with jokes right away.

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March both came in and went out like a lion.  
April came in like a fool and has been behaving like  
a jackass ever since.

thoodleoo

Anonymous asked:

i'd die for u

i'd rather you lived, my dear

“To invent your own life’s meaning is not easy, but it’s still allowed, and I think you’ll be happier for the trouble.”

*Bill Watterson*



beetledrink

not to be insensitive but some of the salem witch trials were so funny bitches like “i saw her at the devils sacrament!!!” girl... what were YOU doing at the devils sacrament ••



renniequeer [Follow](#)

I see a lot of posts that boil down to, “hey, poor people, the middle class is your ally, not your enemy!” but I never seem to see posts that say “hey, middle class, the poor people in your city are your allies. You’re never going to be rich, so stop selling out the poor in an attempt to maintain your own social standing.”



The CryptoNaturalist

@CryptoNature

The universe is an ongoing explosion.  
That's where you live.  
In an explosion.

We absolutely don't know what living is.

Sometimes atoms just get very haunted.

That's us.

When an explosion explodes hard enough, dust wakes up and thinks about itself.

And tweets about it.







adam wray  
@terminal\_avenue

...

my francophone friend was just trying to recall the word nostalgia and described it as "childhood umami"

**But how can you be tolerant of  
the intolerant?**



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LISTEN UP cause I'm about to teach you something historians DONT WANT YOU TO KNOW the story of Arachne that you think you know is actually INACCURATE the ORIGINAL AUTHENTIC SINGULAR VERSION of the story ACTUALLY features Arachne (whose name translated literally actually means Girlboss) who is MARRIED to the goddess Athena and they spend time weaving collabritively until a man came and told Athena and Arachne that competition breeds innovation so they were forced to weave against each other! But THEN Athena turned Arachne into a spider, which was her favorite animal (it's what she was named after) so that she could live with Athena for the rest of her life, in hiding as a spider, free from the crushing weight of capitalism! The ORIGINAL actual story was actually MUCH more Marxist than the one they usually teach. It was actually one of the first criticisms of capitalism in fact. Trust me because I have exactly 0 sources and a fuckton of confidence to back up my claims!



**Amanda B**  
@amandajpanda



DMV Lady: Do you want to retake your photo? You look mad.

Me: I am mad.

DMV Lady: But you'll look mad on here for 5 years.

Me: I will still be mad in 5 years.



**Sweatpants Cher** ♦  
@House\_Feminist



Please quit telling me to "keep up the good work" the good work was an accident and impossible to replicate

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If the police were afraid of being falsely accused of brutality, they'd be actively demanding to be filmed at all times. But they don't.

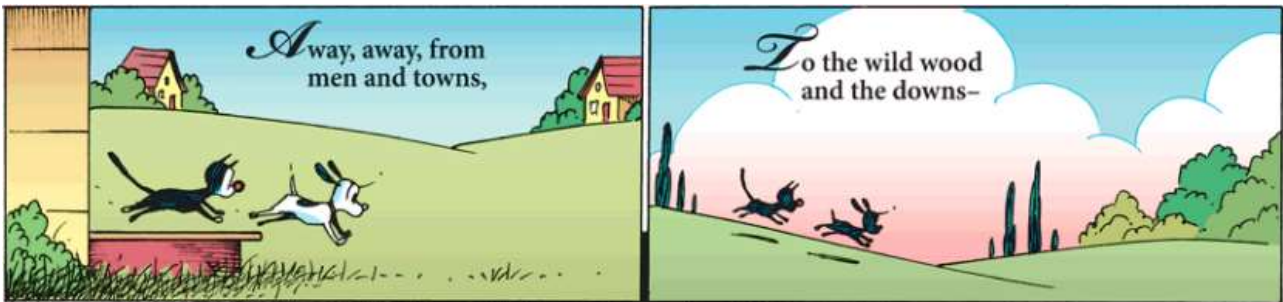
If the police didn't want to be seen as a gang, they'd be demanding the repeal of all laws against victimless actions so their only focus would be on violent criminals. But they don't.

If the police feared for their lives in every encounter with civilians, they'd do everything they could to reduce the number of encounters. For example, they'd demand the repeal of quotas, and they'd feel relieved when social workers want to take over some of those encounters. But they don't.

If the police didn't want to be judged as a group when one of them does something bad, they'd be actively and openly condemning the bad police officers and making sure everyone witnesses that. But they don't.

It's almost as if everything the police say is a lie.

A cook book is full of delicious dishes which it is too much trouble to prepare.



-- PB Shelley

You're entitled to how you feel. You're not entitled to behave however you want based off of those feelings

Source: yourbigsisnissi



Katie Henry  
@KT\_NRE

When everyone in your life seems pleasantly surprised that you haven't lost your shit—but you have, in fact, completely lost your shit





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the theme that always resonates me the most in stories is "the world is cruel; therefore I won't be."

*The world is cruel  
therefore I won't be.*



adore.IV ▲  
@\_lovejaycee

Let's be clear, alot of women don't have "trust issues". We have "I've seen this pattern of behavior before, and I'll be damned if I go through the same shit again" issues

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"You never know what people have to go home to. Always be kind."



slate  
@PleaseBeGneiss

"these trying times" lmao i haven't tried in months



Lying supine (or even prone, for that matter) on the sand is one of those activities which always seem more fun just before you do them. You think how wonderful it would be to stretch out under the sun and bake, letting the world, as the Duncan Sisters used to do in soprano and alto, go drifting by. So you take up your favorite position (which very shortly turns out to be *not* your favorite position, much to your surprise) and, shutting your eyes, abandon yourself to a pagan submission to the sun and its health-giving beams.

Gradually small protuberances arise from the beach underneath you, protuberances which were not there when you lay down but which seem to have forced their way up through the sand for the express purpose of irritating you. If you are lying on your face, the sand just at the corner of your mouth raises itself up in a little mound just high enough to enter between the upper and lower lip. If you are lying on your back, the same sand raises itself into an even higher mound and one with a curve at the top so that it still gets into the corner of your mouth. All this happens without outside aid.

Robert Benchley in *Liberty Magazine*, September 06, 1930

### **Our Daily Hints**

Don't criticize the weather. The weather can't help it.

**WHATEVER DOESN'T KILL ME  
BETTER START RUNNING  
NOW**

Ever since I found out that earthworms have taste buds all over the delicate pink strings of their bodies, I pause dropping apple peels into the compost bin, imagine the dark, writhing ecstasy, the sweetness of apples permeating their pores. I offer beets and parsley, avocado, and melon, the feathery tops of carrots.

I'd always thought theirs a menial life, eyeless and hidden, almost vulgar—though now, it seems, they bear a pleasure so sublime, so decadent, I want to contribute however I can, forgetting, a moment, my place on the menu.

*Feeding the Worms by Danusha Laméris*



**The Mountain Goats** ✓  
@mountain\_goats

Replying to [@robertjeffress](#)

I don't know if you heard about this one incident of capital punishment where this one dude from Nazareth got sent up on bogus charges and was murdered by the state. It was His opinion thereafter that capital punishment sucked & I stan for His take bigtime

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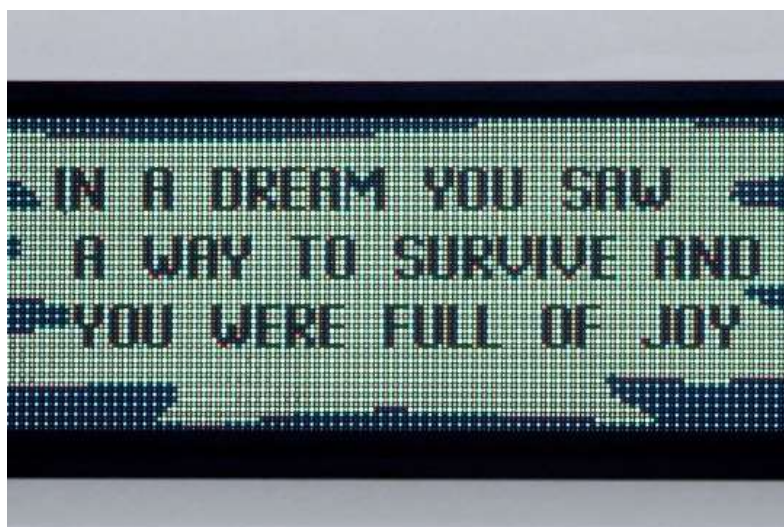
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Wednesday is a liminal space

il giro del paletto



I'm actually incredibly gender conforming. the gender I'm conforming to is just previously unheard of and only I have it





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what if vampires are like mosquitoes and only the ladies drink blood

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Pretty sure that would mean the fellas drink tree sap or something. Imagine running from a vampire thru the woods and passing her husband who's biting a tree real hard

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Maple syrup vampire husband

### **squaredstud-ies-deactivated2020**

#### Self-Discipline Isn't Always the Answer

So I wasn't really taught to brush my teeth every day as a kid. So I didn't. I got to be an adult and realized "hmm teeth are expensive I need to start brushing them" and brushing my teeth twice a day has been on my actual to do list every single day of my college career. It's a habit I needed to build. Have I successfully done it? Absolutely not. I'm pretty good about doing it at least once a day, but some days it just doesn't happen. It's not that I forget usually, I just had some aversion I couldn't figure out, until last week.

I'm at the grocery store, in the toothpaste aisle with my roommate, and I complain about how much I hate mint. I FUCKING HATE THE TASTE OF MINT. The taste and the smell, any kind of minty thing in any form, I HATE IT. But literally every "adult" toothpaste in the aisle was some type of minty disgusting nonsense. And my roommate was like "you know you could like get kids' toothpaste? You like bubblegum right?"

And y'all, it was like the clouds parted. I got some strawberry bubblegum kids' toothpaste. I brushed my teeth with it and it was a whole new experience. I have successfully brushed twice a day every day since, because the mental block I had towards it is gone! I thought my lack of brushing was just a moral failing on my part; I was too lazy, too undisciplined, to build a good habit. But really? I just hate the taste of mint so much I didn't want to brush my teeth.

This made me realize that when presented with a change you want to make, a habit you want to build, if you're encountering resistance in yourself, you should lean into that resistance and really investigate what's causing it, then work on accommodating that.

Say you hate washing dishes so they pile up and then you're overwhelmed by how many you have to do. Why do you hate it? Deep down, what about it do you dislike? Is touching wet food super gross for you? Try thick rubber gloves while you're washing. Does the sound of dishing clanking together grate your nerves? Do them with headphones in and turned up loud. Do you hate the smell?

Light some candles, spray some air freshener.

Do these things instead of gritting your teeth and forcing yourself, then ultimately failing and getting discouraged by your "lack of self-discipline"





**Simon Holland** ✓

@simoncholland

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Reached that age where everything I think happened 2-3 years ago really happened in 2003.

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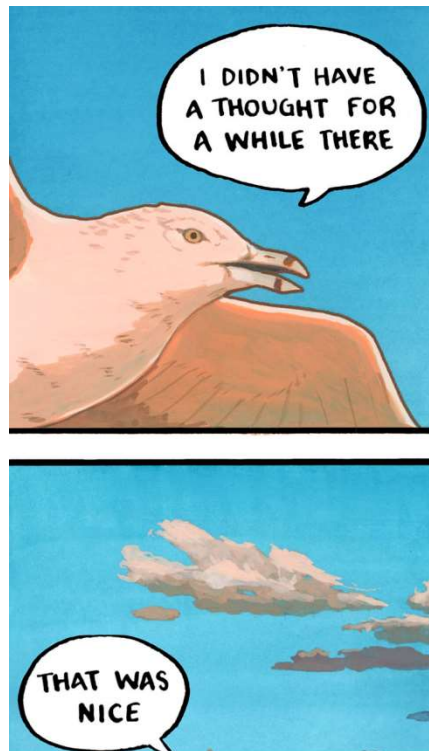
*by Mary Ruefle*

I think the sirens in *The Odyssey* sang *The Odyssey*, for there is nothing more seductive, more terrible, than the story of our own life, the one we do not want to hear and will do anything to listen to.



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The age-old figure of the internet troll has been gradually rendered technologically obsolete by an online environment wherein individuals are algorithmically encouraged to troll themselves by interpreting anything they read in as bad faith as possible in order to get extremely mad.



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Hey tumblr friends, in case I haven't told you lately, I have no idea what the FUCK half of you are on about and I WISH I didn't know what the rest of you are on about. Great work. Keep it up.

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a person from 150 years ago would be terrified by modern stuff .  
however , a duck from 150 years ago would just be all like ,still got lakes? yes ? okay cool

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"How fleeting are all human passions compared with the massive continuity of ducks."

— Dorothy L. Sayers, Gaudy Night (1935)



Joseph Fink, 🧟🎃 healthcare ...  
@PlanetofFinks

If you disagree, that's totally cool. I don't respect you or your opinion, but I also don't want to talk to you about it



thoodleoo

thinking about a version of the iliad and the odyssey written by someone who has only ever read the aeneid and is trying to recreate them through a game of poetic telephone

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Because there isn't actually any difference between doing something nice for someone because you are naturally saintly and perfect, and doing something nice for someone because you are secretly demonic and trying to cover it up. It's still an act of kindness either way, and you still made their lives better.

-- Neil Gaiman



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when w. h. auden said "evil is unspectacular and always human" and ursula k. leguin said "this is the great treason of the artist: a refusal to admit the banality of evil and the terrible boredom of pain"

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stevhoa

when toni morrison said "i just think goodness is more interesting. evil is constant. you can think of different ways to murder people, but you can do that at age five. but you have to be an adult to consciously, deliberately be good – and that's complicated."

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when simone weil said "imaginary evil is romantic and varied; real evil is gloomy, monotonous, barren, boring. imaginary good is boring; real good is always new, marvelous, intoxicating."



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apparently ravens are associated with death and prophecy because they're very intelligent birds and back in the day they learned p quick that large groups of men marching meant imminent corpses to feed on so they would follow armies and i think that's v metal



celticpyro

To ravens, large groups of men marching were an omen of free food.



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"Look, there goes a buffet. We should follow them."



bo  
@chelicera

the way that so many people have become incapacitated by immeasurable grief and depression and pain over the past year and it has been watered down to "burnout and how to avoid it so you can do better work!" makes me want to start smashing things

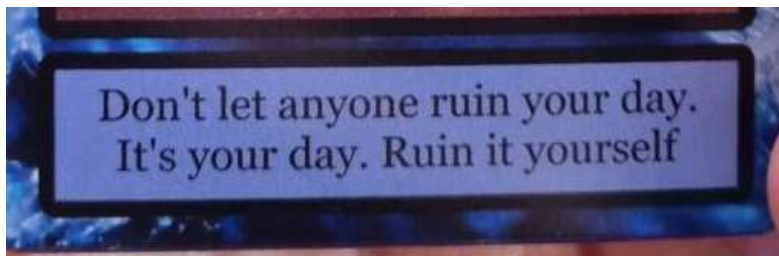


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any time i hear the insufferable transphobic athlete arguments i think of that one time in middle school when my boys lacrosse team did a full-contact scrimmage against the girls team (who typically play with limited contact) and i, a six-foot, 180lb defender, got utterly laid-out by this 5-foot-nothing girl experiencing the newly-unleashed animosity accompanied by violent sport and as i looked up at my assailant from flat on my back i experienced a brief bout of heterosexuality and fell wildly in love and then had to be taken to the ER because i had a concussion

“Trauma permanently changes us. This is the frightening truth about betrayal. You never really get over it. At best, you grieve and make some kind of peace with it. But a major life disruption leaves a new normal behind. There’s no going back to who you were before.”

— Unknown



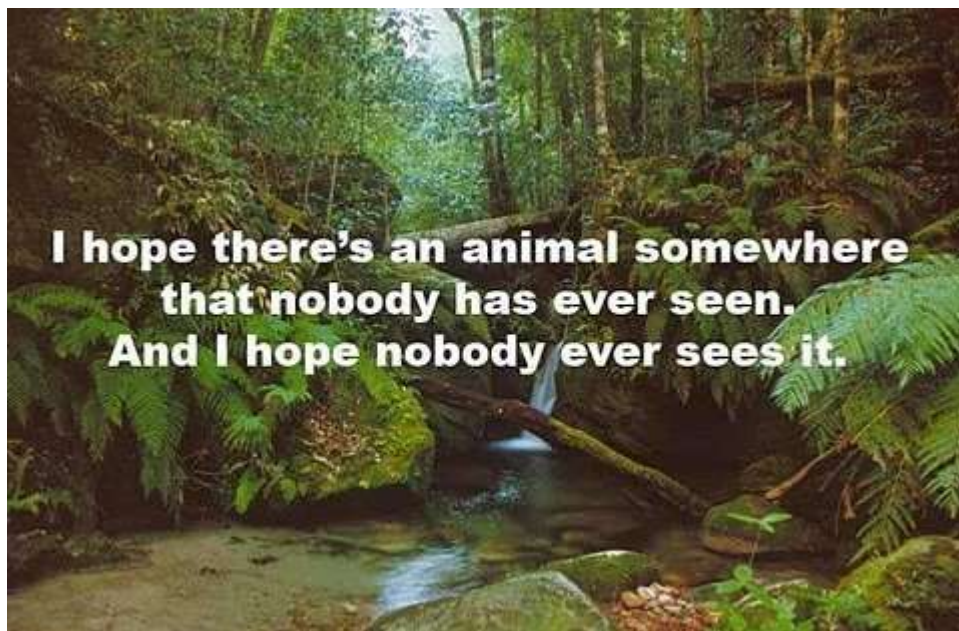
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absolutely obsessed with diomedes arriving home after 10 years only to find out his wife is sleeping with his friend’s son and has taken over the city, he just kinda goes ‘fair enough’ and fucks off to italy without making any attempt to take argos back



Kyle   
@KylePlantEmoji

Tired of explaining that "I don't have the time" doesn't mean "literally every second of my schedule is accounted for", but rather "I'm giving as much of myself as I'm currently able to give"





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i enjoy the mountain goats but sometimes their lyrics just sound like someone who's hungry and doesn't realize it

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"I hope you die I hope we both die hand in unlovable hand" my guy this captures the exact feeling of when you don't realize you haven't eaten in 18 hours. Go have some pasta.





I am paranoid about how much grief  
a tree can witness.

-- Emily Skaja

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I think I am officially Fandom Old. I am so worn out from the arguments on who's the top or the bottom (who cares), what is allowed to be written (anything you want, bejeebus), what is Problematic (I know, just tag it), what other people Should Do (they Should live their lives free of judgment). There isn't a Right Way to do things. Tag your stuff appropriately, don't read stuff you don't want to read, and leave other people (me) alone.

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There is nothing quite like the freedom of having gone through all of the Discourse and come out the other side into the promised land of Not Giving A Fuck.

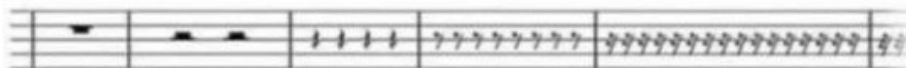
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The three keys to the promised land are "Block, Unfollow, and Do Not Engage"

**EATING VEGETABLES MAKES SKINNY?  
COMPARE A VEGETARIAN HIPPOPOTAMUS  
AND A CARNIVOROUS TIGER.  
NOW WHICH IS MORE SKINNY?**



This piece is called, "Anxiety"



it's just silence, but it keeps getting faster...

this is stressing me out.

I have a rule: I do not respond to subtext. This includes guilt tripping, silent treatments, passive aggressive behavior, etc. I see it. I notice it. I even sometimes have to analyze it and take a deep breath and CHOOSE not to respond. Because whether it's really there or just me over-reading things that actually don't mean anything, the habit of lending credence to the part of me that sees danger in the wrong shift of body weight...that's toxic for me. And dangerous to my relationships.

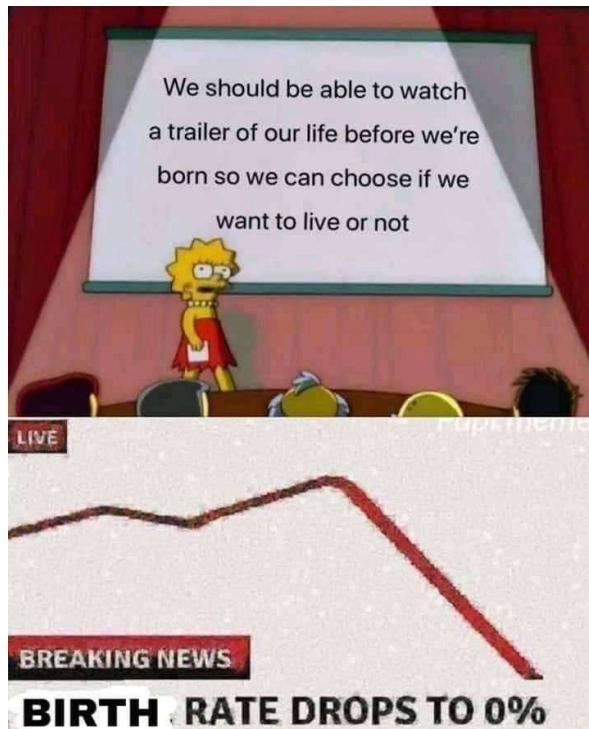
The best thing I ever did for myself and my relationships was insist upon frank communication and a categorical denial of subtext. For some people this is a moral stance. For survivors of mentally unstable parents this is a requirement of recovery.

-- geekdawson



Some people aren't good at asking for help because they're so used to being 'the helper'. Throughout their life they've experienced an unbalanced give and take, so their instinct is usually "I'll figure it out on my own". The self-reliance is all they've ever known.





“I am at two with nature.”

*Woody Allen*





**cargoshortsdefender**

Shape shifts from a baby to an adult but slowly




**shira has OCD and ADHD**  
@shiraisinspired

"You're so nice" thanks I am terrified of anyone being upset with me ever

3. What are those prints across the floor, the ones that look like they have claws and are uncommonly large and you are not sure if they were there the last time you came downstairs? It's not certain, but they are probably from feet. This is because most creatures that leave prints do so with their feet, which are the bits that have evolved to touch the ground.

-- listingtoport



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TIL light bulbs in the New York City subway system screw in “backwards” (i.e. with left-handed threads) so people won’t steal them to use at home.

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**Karen**  
@karenpcrz

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If you were ever one of my closest friends at one point in my life, I just wanna let y’all know I randomly think of you, and always wish you’re doing amazing in your life.

living with your parents is fun cause it’s free except for the small cost of your mental wellbeing



**Geoff Elder**  
October 15 at 7:25 PM · 🌐



No, I’m not staring at you. I’m disassociating. Mind your business.



**mark normand** ✓  
@marknorm



I’m drawn to people who don’t like me, I think it’s because we have so much in common.

How you think i am    how i really am



The secret of life is not about knowing what to say or do. It's not about doing love or loss right. Life cannot be handled. The secret is simply to show up. It's about witnessing it all, even the pain, and letting it touch you and make you not harder, but more tender.

Glennon Doyle



**maura quint**   
@behindyourback

my kids said being a grown up must be awesome because you can eat junk food and no one makes you get up in the morning and you don't have to take showers if you don't want to and I didn't want to ruin it for them by explaining that they're describing depression

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“Feel it. The thing that you don’t want to feel. Feel it, and be free.”

— Nayyirah Waheed



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What do you do when you're feeling anxious?

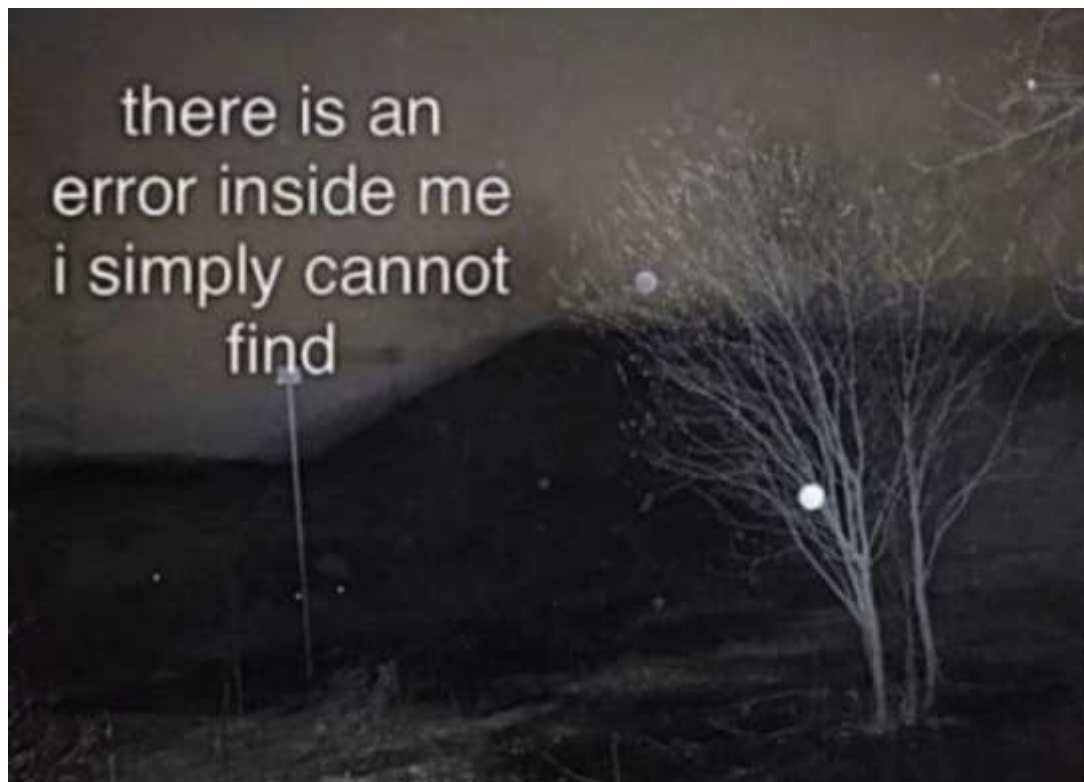
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I find my quail, pick her up, and put her in my shirt so her head sticks through the head hole. She's physically closer than anything giving me anxiety, and she's in kissing range. Something about her little chuckle when that happens really helps.

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I had feelings  
you'd be  
the first  
to see.

-- helloliriels



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"Daydreaming does not enjoy tremendous prestige in our culture, which tends to regard it as unproductive thought. Writers perhaps appreciate its importance better than most, since a fair amount of what they call work consists of little more than daydreaming edited. Yet anyone who reads for pleasure should prize it too, for what is reading a good book but a daydream at second hand? Unlike any other form of thought, daydreaming is its own reward. For regardless of the result (if any), the very process of daydreaming is pleasurable. And, I would guess, is probably a psychological necessity. For isn't it in our daydreams that we acquire some sense of what we are about? Where we try on futures and practice our voices before committing ourselves to words or deeds? Daydreaming is where we go to cultivate the self, or, more likely, selves, out of the view and earshot of other people."

-Michael Pollan "A Place of My Own"



**I have only two moods:**

Nothing matters at all and  
everything matters too much.

“Why do you like  
thunderstorms?”

“Because it shows that  
even nature needs to  
scream sometimes.”

- E.D.

★★★★★ **Verified Purchase**

**Excellent translation. The Latin appears on the  
left page; the English on the right.**

One nice way to feel better about  
yourself is to imagine what Steve  
Irwin would say about you if you  
were a little snake he found in the  
desert



**The Back Bone** 👑  
@WatchHERQueen

My dad said "often trauma keeps us at the age we experienced it, a lot of ppl are exactly the age their hurt came from"



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Whenever I see someone refer to "Victorian era-" for places outside the UK I'm tempted to start saying shit like "Han Dynasty era Rome", "Soviet era Australia" etc



**SILENCED** (in stores now)  
@InternetHippo

Imagine having kids. Creating a whole new person who has to sit in traffic and go to work and have feelings. Sadistic

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Would a neurotypical god create that many beetles



**ADULT:**

**Someone who has stopped growing at both ends and now grows in the middle.**





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"i would die for you" this, "i'd walk through fire for you that"

what about "i'd live for you" romances? what about "i never thought i'd be worth the work it would take to piece myself together"?

what about "i don't believe i'm worth it, but for you i'll try"

"I promise to plant kisses like seeds on your body, so in time you can grow to love yourself as I love you."

— Tyler Knott Gregson



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I think part of the issue is people assuming that everyone **MUST** want to move upwards. Like... it's the next logical step for a person to want to move up the chain: from worker to manager, to district manager, eventually owner.

But I always think of growth like plants.

Aspens grow tall to reach the sun, for sure. But dandelions grow deep, understanding themselves fully so that if some misguided fool tries to uproot them they'd have to try damn hard. And then there's thyme and other creeping plants, which spread themselves out so much that if you chop a part of it off it roots wherever it can find dirt to root in.

It's okay not to have lofty dreams. You know what kind of plant you are better than anyone else.

And nobody said "this isn't right. someone pay attention to this girl."

What was it Dolly Parton said? "Find out who you are, then do it on purpose."



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in order to lead a happy life im gonna have to disappoint my parents a bit



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Just FYI: if your parents are disappointed by your leading a happy life, they have some work to do.

"There was something so valuable about what happened when one became a mother. For me it was the most liberating thing that ever happened to me. Liberating because the demands that children make are not the demands of a normal 'other.' The children's demands on me were things that nobody ever asked me to do. To be a good manager. To have a sense of humor. To deliver something that somebody could use. And they were not interested in all the things that other people were interested in, like what I was wearing or if I were sensual. Somehow all of the baggage that I had accumulated as a person about what was valuable just fell away. I could not only be me—whatever that was—but somebody actually needed me to be that. If you listen to [your children], somehow you are able to free yourself from baggage and vanity and all sorts of things, and deliver a better self, one that you like. The person that was in me that I liked best was the one my children seemed to want."

-From *Toni Morrison and Motherhood: A Politics of the Heart*

farsi "liberare" dai propri figli è come cercare la pace mentale dentro un burka... e i figli non hanno firmato per questo

things we don't need. The education system is not designed to turn out thoughtful individualists, it is there to get us to work. When we come home exhausted from the inanities of our jobs we can relax in front of the inanities of the TV screen. This pattern, punctuated by birth, death and marriage and a new car, is offered to us as real life.

Children who are born into a tired world as batteries of new energy are plugged into the system as soon as possible and gradually drained away. At the time when they become adult and conscious they are already depleted and prepared to accept a world of shadows. Those who have kept their spirit find it hard to nourish it and between the ages of twenty and thirty, many are successfully emptied of all resistance. I do not think it an exaggeration to say that most of the energy of most of the people is being diverted into a system which destroys them. Money is no antidote. If the imaginative life is to be renewed it needs its own coin.

-- Jeannette Winterson

thoodleo

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i really enjoy comparing how modern historians and ancient greek/roman historians handle their work because modern historians will be like "i've spent 10 years writing a thesis about agrarian law in a 20 year timespan in rome but i can understand why some people may have different ideas from me." while ancient historians are like "i overheard somebody at a dinner party say that carthage was destroyed because of its moral ineptitude so i'm going with that. fuck you"

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im a practicing agnostic every day i look up at the sky and shrug



- i know that i am dying. why not die for this? (line 460)  
-- *Antigone*

I thought I was in a bad mood, but it's been a few years now so I guess this is who I am now







a while back i read a post along the lines of "if you feel like everyone hates you, it's time to rest... if you feel like you hate everyone else, it's time to eat" and honest to god i've never used any piece of advice more than i have that one

Impostor syndrome (also known as impostor phenomenon or fraud syndrome or the impostor experience) is a concept describing individuals who are marked by an inability to internalize their accomplishments and a persistent fear of being exposed as a "fraud".

What Impostor Syndrome Feels Like


What I know

What I think others know

Ultrafacts.tumblr.com

Going to stop paying attention. I've noticed enough

Source: sulkings

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@zeeloooo

imagine u spend years on research only  
to be called "et al."

you wear an ancestor's face. you look like a woman you'll never meet.  
in that mirror, there's thousands of you. and in the bath, when you  
look down, she looks back, shaking and deforming in the ripples as  
she lies beneath the surface.

Source: cursedsuggestion


**I'll wait until tomorrow to see what I've become.**

'I don't drink, Father,' I said as he raised the bottle.  
'You're wise. The heart doesn't need drink at your age. I  
didn't touch it till I was forty, but after forty I think every man  
should drink a little. The heart needs a jab or two every day to  
remind it of its business once it crosses forty. What do you think  
the business of the heart is?'  
'I suppose it has many businesses, Father.'  
'You'll never be convicted on that answer, son, but it has only  
one main business. That's to keep going. If it doesn't do that all  
its other businesses can be forgotten about.'

John McGahern - Crossing the Line, in short stories collection: High  
Ground (2009 ed.)

i finally found the frog that squeaks every night in our yard  
usually i can only hear him.  
he is so tiny and so fucking loud.  
**if i could make the same amount of sound proportional to my size  
maybe god could finally hear me.**  
-- boyhowdyall




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He licked his lips. “Well, if you want my opinion—”  
“I don’t,” she said. “I have my own.”

— TONI MORRISON, from ‘Beloved’.

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have you ever had a man justify pushing his opinion, insensitively and without consideration (with no consideration of your feelings or the full reality of the situation beyond his own perspective) onto you by saying – “I just respect you so much I have to tell you what I really think?”

yeah.

if that’s the absolute best you got for someone you “respect so much” then... i’m open to more chances and new days but you might best take the opportunity to... change.

Luis che mi dice che sono autoreferenziale...







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“The secret of happiness is: Find something more important than you are and dedicate your life to it.”

— Daniel Dennett

...\*as\* important as you are  
(se no è una scusa per far finta di non conoscersi)  
gnothi seauton  
\*anche\*



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Anonymous asked:

Are you a boy or a girl ?



crypticdatesuggestions answered:


Not to my knowledge .



Hey guy with hydration pack, 2 hiking sticks & North Face vest; my 5 yr old walked the same trail in Crocs carrying a naked Barbie. Relax.

The word “Mother” is a spell that blinds people to the real woman



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do you remember how loud computers used to be

like you'd put a floppy in there and it would just fucking scream at you like a pterodactyl eating a corncob



Jurassic Park Updates

@JurassicPark2go

In the spirit of Halloween we have made the park more spooky by purposefully leaving human bones scattered around the premises so if you find one that's why

9:14 AM · 31 Oct 20 · [Twitter for iPhone](#)

Away in a silent corner was limbo, where grave-faced children who hadn't received baptism slept, without consciousness or pain, throughout all eternity. Limbo was closed to us because of our baptism. In those young years, contemplating a future hell, or at best the long purifications of purgatory, it did not seem a bad place at all, and there were times when I hoped that some essential rite had been overlooked during my baptism; but I could not communicate this to my mother.

At Easter my mother always showed us the sun. 'Look how the molten globe and all the glittering rays are dancing! The whole of heaven is dancing in its joy that Christ has risen.' When Easter arrived with overcast skies and we asked for the sun, she assured us it was dancing behind the clouds. Blessed are those who have not seen but have believed.

John McGahern - Memoir (2005), p.11



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I'm working on an audio transcript using voice recognition technology, and this gentleman has a very nice accent, but when he says "got" the word is often noted down as "God".

*We don't know what God tested and what God registered as true or untrue.*

*We don't know what God entered into the code since the last time we tested.*

*We don't know what God ticketed as an issue and what just God ignored.*

*Now we know what God changed, but we don't have a record of what God approved.*



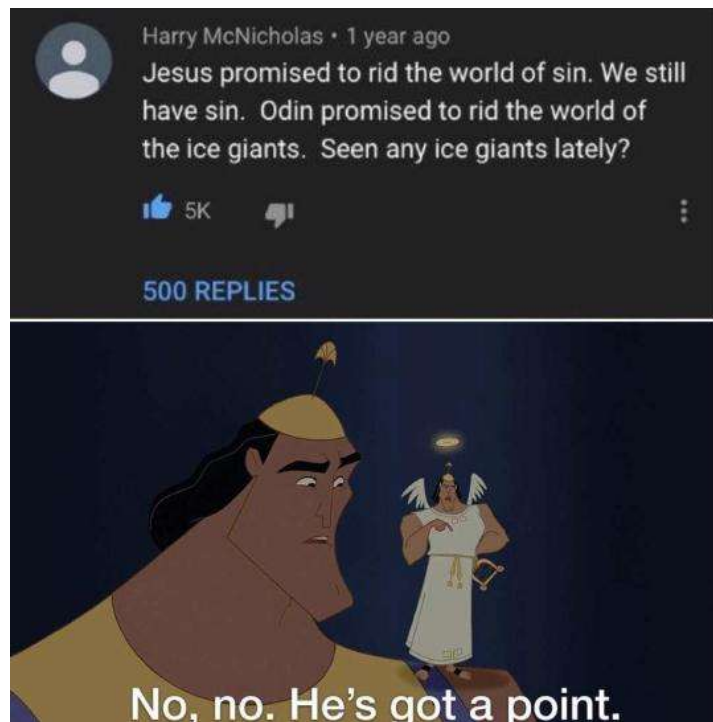
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*"We don't know what God ticketed as an issue and what just God ignored."*



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voice recognition theology



*Soil is the hidden, secret friend,  
which is the root domain of  
lively darkness and silence.*

*- Francis D. Hole (1913-2002), geology and soil sciences professor at  
the University of Wisconsin-Madison who had a very fitting name*







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Every once in a while I think of that book I read which argued that the ancient Greeks used the term Orphic in the same way that contemporary people use 'New Age.'



elv  
@\_ElvishPresley\_



judge: do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth

me: no

judge: [covers mic] what do I do

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hester steel, apocalyptic portent  
@SteelHester



i told my housemate the vaccine knocked me out and he said "ah yes, set pfizers to stun" and friends, i am ANGRY

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The often-quoted idiom "seeing is believing" leaves out half of the original sentence. The full quote from 17th century English clergyman, Thomas Fuller, is "Seeing is believing, but feeling is the truth."



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I am in alignment with my purpose.

**A great wind is blowing, and that gives you  
either imagination or a headache.**

-- Caterina di Russia

to these words lifted from the journal of an old man, dying of esophageal cancer, which appeared in Ira Byock's article 'The Meaning and Value of Death':

To live in the bright light of death is to live life in which colors and sounds and smells are all more intense, in which smiles and laughs are irresistibly infectious, in which touches and hugs are warm and tender almost beyond belief . . . I wish that all your stories could have a final chapter in which you are given the gift of some time to live with your fatal illness.

Love is not only a kind of offering of the self to another person, as when my students sit quietly with their hospice patients. Love is ultimately about unconditional surrender to what the writer Wendell Berry calls 'the miracle of life.' To love in this sense is to surrender the compulsion to make things better, to let go of the need to explain, fix, or do anything. It is to experience this world, this life, as good enough. To find in this world, in this life, a place to rest. A home.

C. W. Huntington, Jr., from "[The Miracle of the Ordinary](#)." *Tricycle*, 21 December 2016





“There is no happiness like that of being loved by your fellow creatures, and feeling that your presence is an addition to their comfort.”

*Charlotte Brontë*



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“Hey, this facial reconstruction of a Roman emperor just looks like some random Italian guy” buddy, I have fantastic news for you about where Rome is.

People: are you ok?

Me: yea






## BE YOURSELF UNLESS YOU CAN BE A UNICORN THEN ALWAYS BE A UNICORN


"never meet your heroes" is about how you shouldn't look at your favorite writers' twitter accounts

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Instead of requiring my henchmen to wear matching uniforms, I allow each of them to design their own costume and encourage them all to develop their own unique battle techniques, making each henchperson a minor villain in their own right rather than simply one of a horde

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My facility encourages evil career development:

## Caravaggio

segretocose answered:

i don't know how to explain to you that while murdering people is of course wrong, the notion of 'cancelling' someone who lived four centuries ago is, still, incredibly hilarious. he's been dead for hundreds of years, he's literally dust right now. can't get any more 'cancelled' than that



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## CATFISH CUDDLES

I asked a wise mage about the meaning of life. He said "Insignificant beings go about their affairs, unaware that a god-like being could wipe them out with something as casual as a scratch of its head." I asked "That's the meaning of life?" "Sorry," he replied. "I thought you said lice." "That's okay," I replied. "I wanted to know about lice, too."

-Gavin Gavonne





Mon oncle d'Amérique (1980), Alain Resnais.



o man quite fathomable actually  
@JohannesEvans



hot goth in the woods that keeps  
answering the door and sighing and  
going "no, I'm not the witch, he lives  
over there" and points across the  
street to a dazzling pretty boy  
wearing a gold waistcoat who's  
waving excitedly at them  
this happens 268 times a month

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academia is **toxic**



academia is **dying**



academia is **broken**



academia is **a pyramid scheme**



academia is **a waste of time**



academia is **toxic reddit**



academia is **not the real world**



academia is **a nightmare**





**Kev Thomas**

Feb 17 · 🌐

Life is a tornado and I'm  
just a cow being spun  
around for cinematic value



**Dr. Nicole Gasparini**

@NMGasparini

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Academic myths #272

You will catch up once the semester  
ends.



**Dr. Caroline Bartman**

@Caroline\_Bartma

quitting my postdoc to drive a  
backhoe

want to spend my time doing  
groundbreaking work



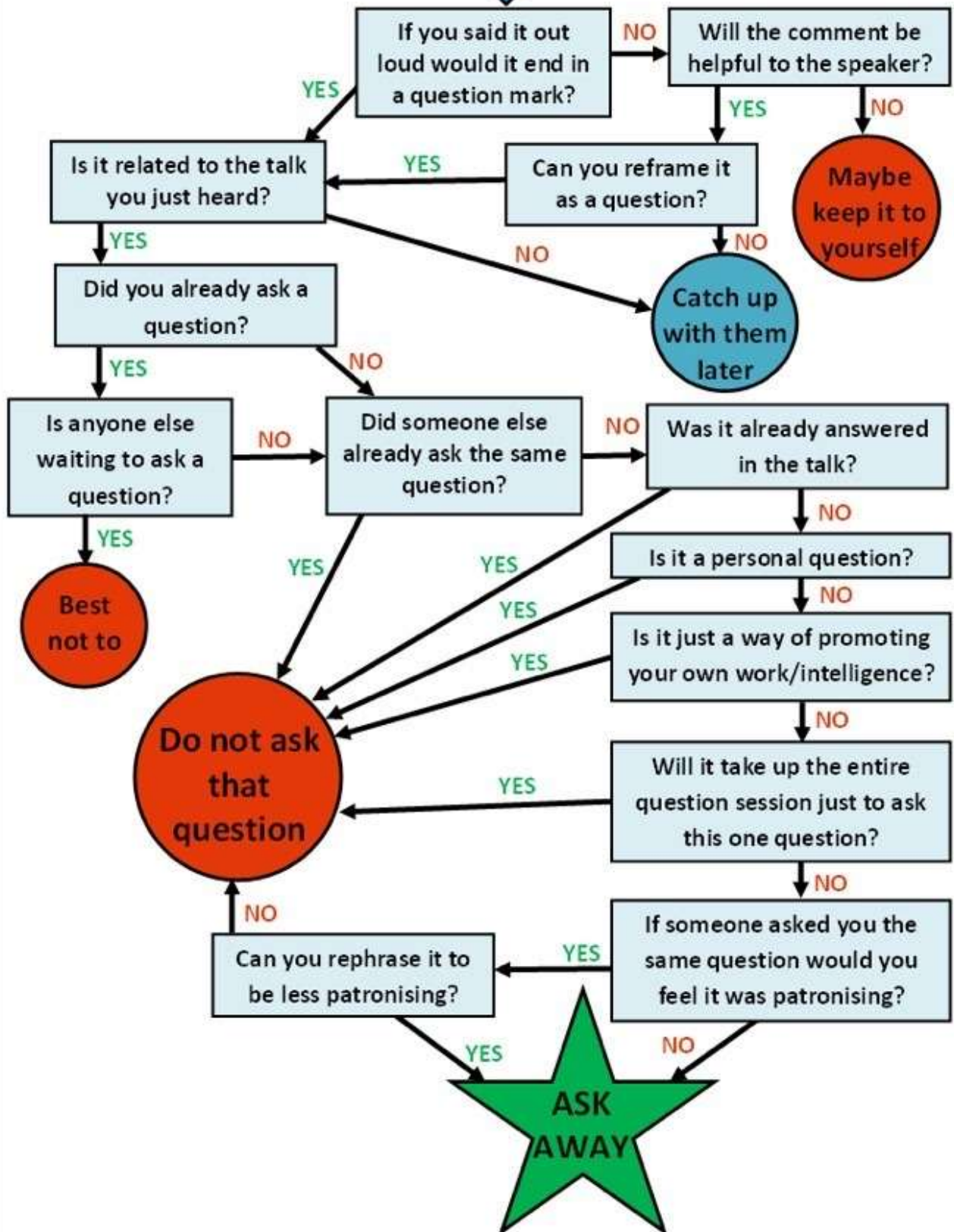
**Karl Rohe**

@karlrohe

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to do good research, you must first  
be confused

Should I ask my question?





A good dissertation is a done dissertation. A great dissertation is a published dissertation. A perfect dissertation is neither.



**Stephen Hopkins**  
@phil\_lol\_ogist



just downloaded another pdf on my computer that I aspire to read



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Julia Burnham  
@juliarburnham



I woke up in a cold sweat last night to create this content. I present: the Email Sign-off Alignment

lawful good <b>Warmly,</b>	neutral good <b>Best,</b>	chaotic good <b>Cheers,</b>
lawful neutral <b>Thanks,</b>	true neutral <b>Sincerely,</b>	chaotic neutral <b>Sent from my iPhone</b>
lawful evil <b>Regards,</b>	neutral evil <b>No sign-off</b>	chaotic evil <b>Ciao,</b>

To err is human. To err repeatedly is research.

To steal from one is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

It is commonly claimed 'What doesn't kill you makes you stronger' however research shows that past stressful experiences do not create resilience to future trauma. Past traumatic experiences increase vulnerability to several mental illnesses.

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TYPE II ERROR: FALSE NEGATIVE  
TYPE III ERROR: TRUE POSITIVE FOR  
INCORRECT REASONS  
TYPE IV ERROR: TRUE NEGATIVE FOR  
INCORRECT REASONS  
TYPE V ERROR: INCORRECT RESULT WHICH  
LEADS YOU TO A CORRECT  
CONCLUSION DUE TO  
UNRELATED ERRORS  
TYPE VI ERROR: CORRECT RESULT WHICH  
YOU INTERPRET WRONG  
TYPE VII ERROR: INCORRECT RESULT WHICH  
PRODUCES A COOL GRAPH  
TYPE VIII ERROR: INCORRECT RESULT WHICH  
SPARKS FURTHER RESEARCH  
AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
NEW TOOLS WHICH REVEAL  
THE FLAW IN THE ORIGINAL  
RESULT WHILE PRODUCING  
NOVEL CORRECT RESULTS  
TYPE IX ERROR: THE RISE OF SKYWALKER



**Joe Milliano**  
@MrJoeMilliano



# I am a professional

## Class Expectations

- If you're watching TikToks during class, please at least drop the links to really funny ones in the chat.
- I don't care if you are wearing pajamas or not, but please wear clothes of some kind.

## Class materials

- Bring your brain to class at least 50% of the time
- Your dog is not a class material
  - I still want to see it on camera if
    - a) he's in the room
    - b) he's a good boy yes he is

# What do sea monsters eat? Fish and ships.



**Mormonger** @Mormonger · 13h  
Nobody talks about Jesus' miracle of having 12 close friends in his 30s



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time smells bad.

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Listen

I accidentally leave the milk out overnight.

Milk smells bad the next day.

Why does milk smell bad?

Time gets in it.

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## #ancient Greek philosophy





You are not lost. You are here. Stop abandoning yourself. Stop repeating this myth about love and success that will land in your lap or evade you forever. Build a humble, flawed life from the rubble, and cherish *that*. There is nothing more glorious on the face of the earth than someone who refuses to give up, who refuses to give in to their most self-hating, discouraged, disillusioned self, and instead learns, slowly and painfully, how to relish the feeling of building a hut in the middle of the suffocating dust.

from "ask polly: why should i keep going?"

*[...] Circe, for example, does not give Odysseus' comrades the usual food prescribed by the code of hospitality, namely meat and wine. Instead she gives them a mixture of cheese, barley and honey, and Pramnian wine (which is not really wine but a strange brew; see Od. 10, 234-5). All this is food more appropriate for the dead. By offering these items, Circe consigns these men to the realm of the underworld.*

- Petropoulos, *Greek Magic: Ancient, Medieval and Modern*.



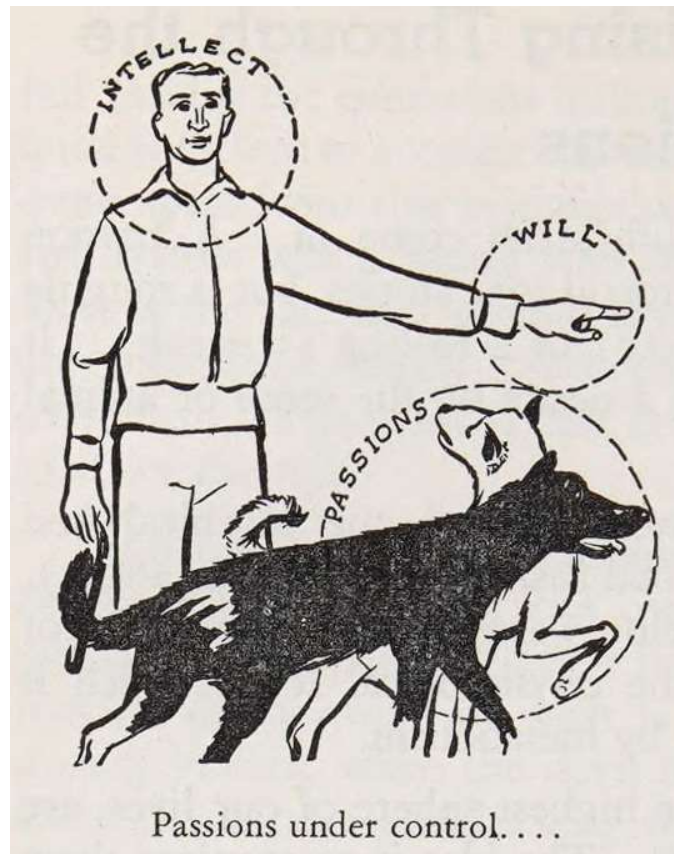
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@selflovebaddie

i unsend messages because my  
multiple personalities disagree with  
each other



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i know it's been said before, but it bears repeating: a big, big part of maintaining your confidence & self esteem as a creator is fully embracing the concept of "you don't have to be good like them. you can be good like you."



From [Mental Disease](#) by Peter Michaels.

**oh no! di nuovo!**

What is an octopus's favorite band? **Ink  
Floyd!**



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