

Designing Discomfort

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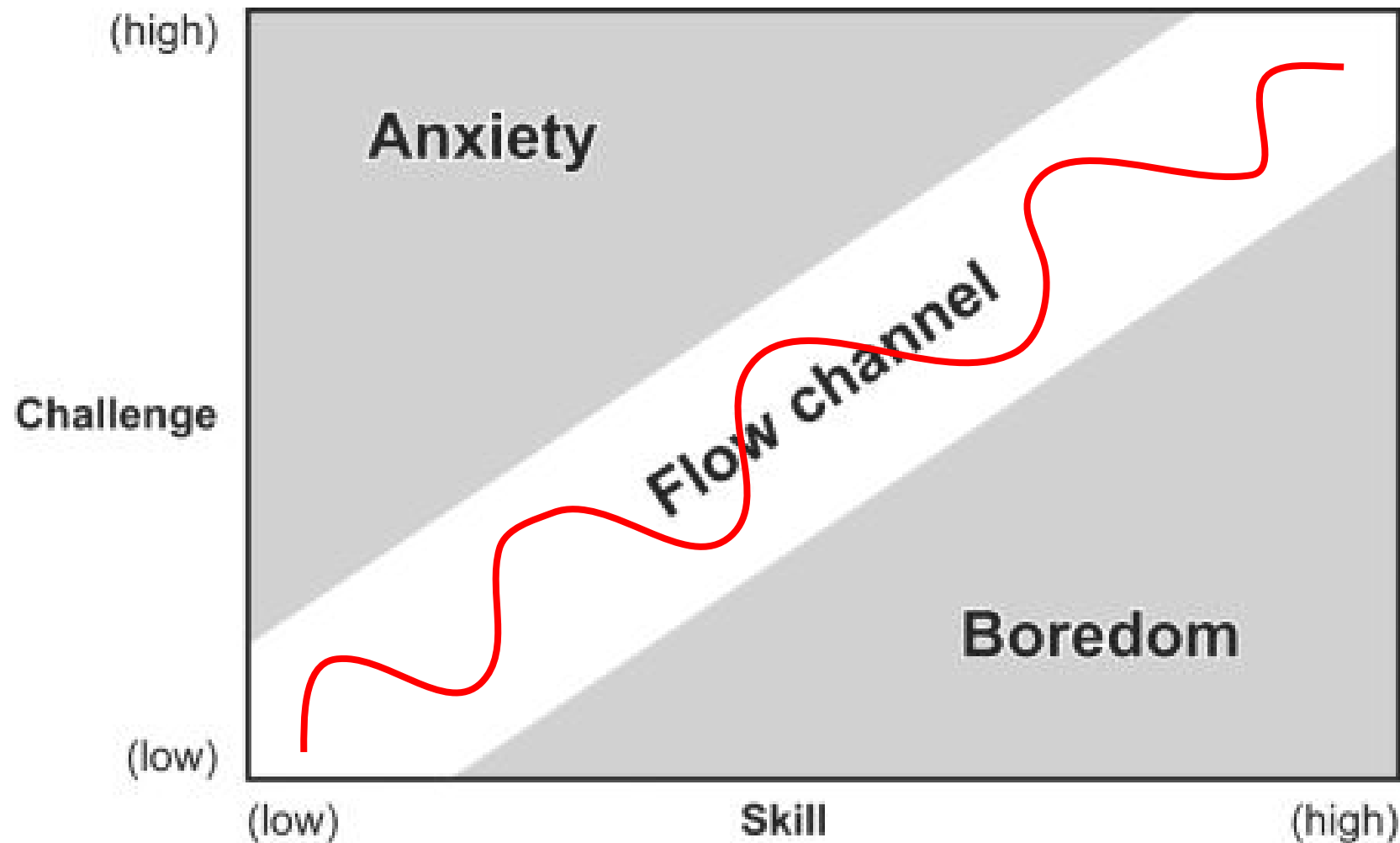
pronouns: they/them

Imagine you're
playing a game.

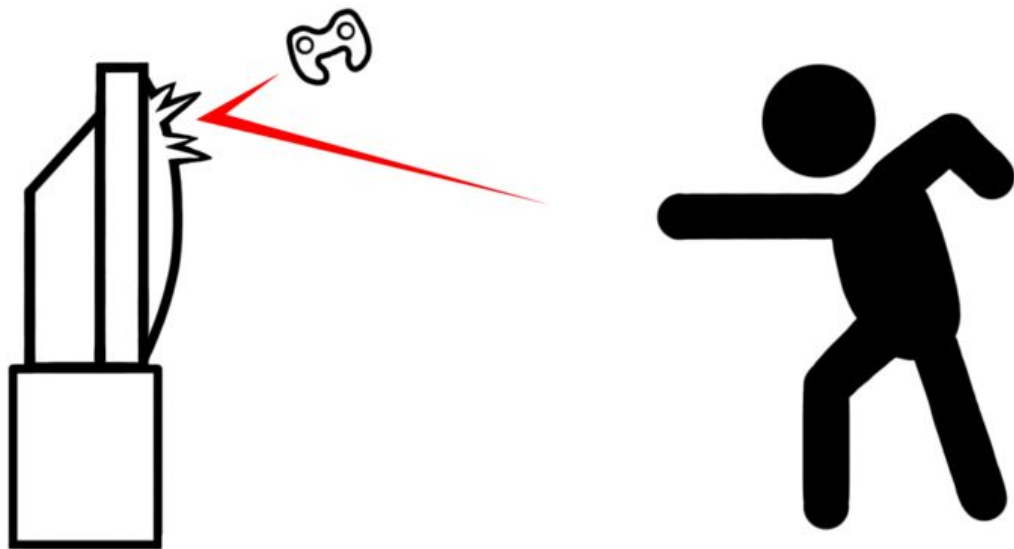


...but is that all?





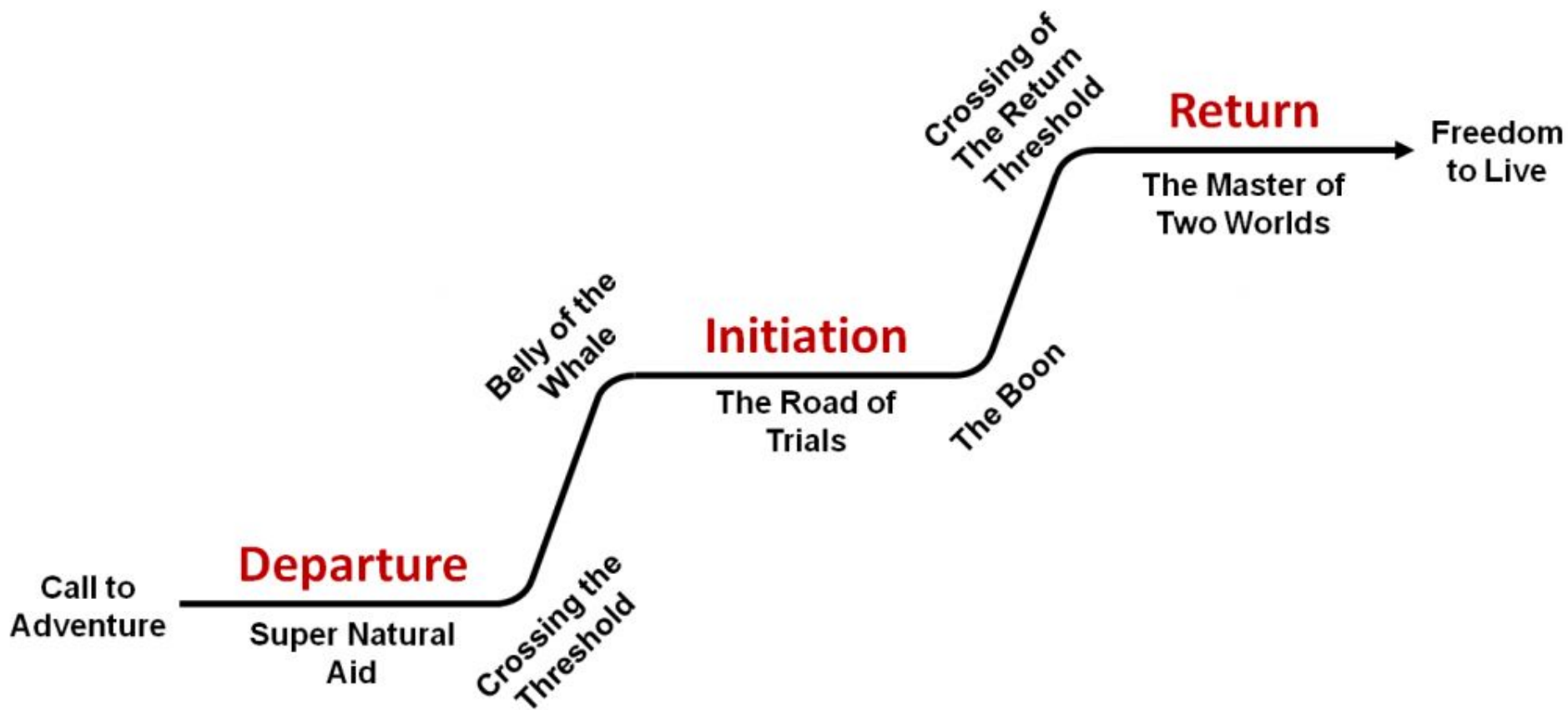
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LUDONARRATIVE
DISSONANCE



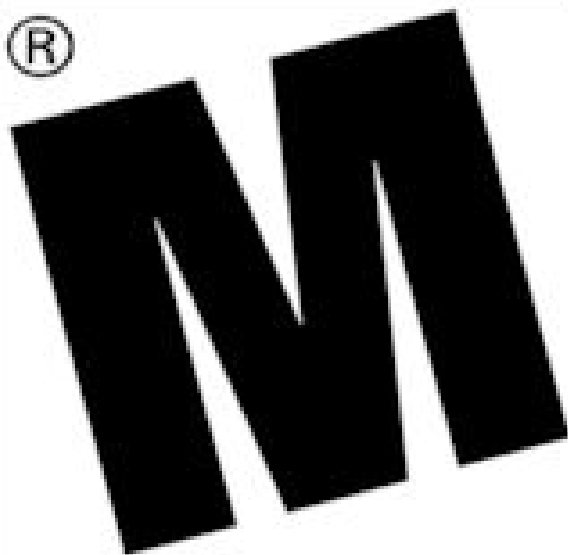
UNCHARTED 4
A Thief's End





MATURE 17+

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**CONTENT RATED BY
ESRB**

guns + boobs != mature



(high)

Anxiety

Challenge



Boredom

(low)

(low)

Skill

(high)

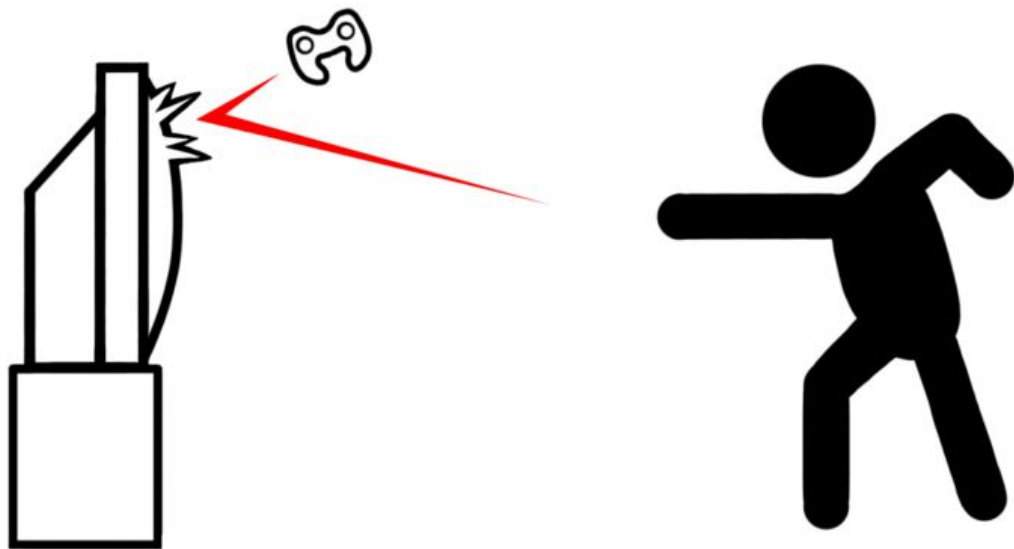
BEST: 71:55

TIME

24:05



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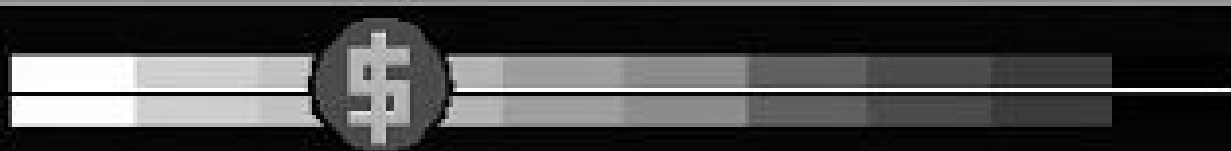
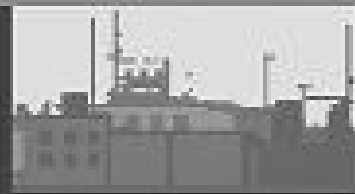




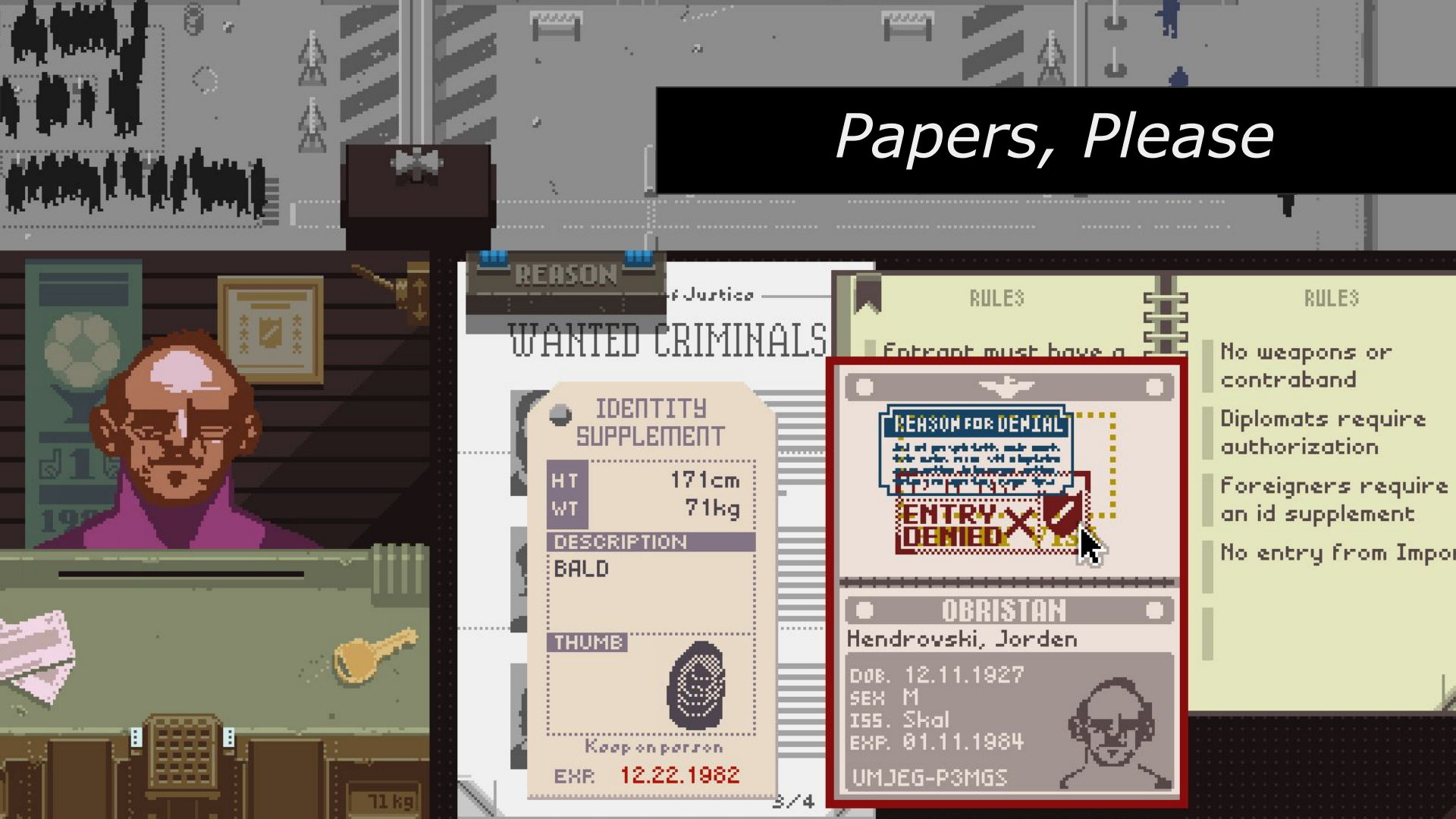
There are
already games
that are doing
this.

Cart Life

CART LIFE



Papers, Please



REASON

Justice

WANTED CRIMINALS

IDENTITY
SUPPLEMENT

HT 171cm
WT 71kg

DESCRIPTION
BALD

THUMB



Keep on person

EXP. 12.22.1982

RULES

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Entrant must have a

No weapons or
contraband

Diplomats require
authorization

Foreigners require
an id supplement

No entry from Import

REASON FOR DENIAL

Did not present valid entry mark
Your nation is not a signatory
to the entry regulations of this nation

ENTRY
DENIED

OBRISTAN

Hendrovski, Jorden

DOB. 12.11.1927
SEX M
ISS. Skal
EXP. 01.11.1984

UMJEG-P3MG5



The Walking Dead

I'm sorry, Kenny. [Let him.]

You're right. [Let him.]



NO! [Stop him.]

Hit him, Kenny. [Stop him]

Civilization Revolution





Depression Quest

an interactive
(non)fiction
about living with
depression

You have to be awake for work in a mere 8 hours, and you know that your work is so much worse on only a few hours sleep.

Depression Quest

What do you do?

~~1: Force yourself to sleep.~~

~~2: Go to bed. It shouldn't be that hard.~~

~~3: Just close your eyes and let it happen. Why won't your thoughts back off for five seconds?~~

~~4: Snap out of it. What is wrong with you? Why can't you stop stressing out for five seconds?~~

~~5: You're probably going to go into work tomorrow exhausted and fuck everything up and get fired.~~

6: Go to your computer. Sleep is clearly not happening no matter how long you lay here.

Glitchhikers

Rendition	20
Intersection	38
Romance River	84

100 KM

127

104.3 FM

Perfect Woman



Social + 0.030

Intellectual + 0.298

Current mood: Afraid



Royal Demeanor

- 1.00

Composure	0.0	<div></div>
Elegance	0.0	<div></div>
Presence	0.0	<div></div>

Conversation

+ 0.30

Public Speaking	30.0	<div></div>
Court Manners	0.0	<div></div>
Flattery	0.0	<div></div>

Expression

+ 0.00

Decoration	0.0	<div></div>
Instrument	0.0	<div></div>
Voice	0.0	<div></div>

History

+ 0.00

Novan	0.0	<div></div>
Foreign Affairs	0.0	<div></div>
World	0.0	<div></div>

Intrigue

Internal Affairs	33.9	<div></div>
Foreign Intelligence	32.2	<div></div>
Ciphering	0.0	<div></div>

Medicine

+ 0.00

Herbs	0.0	<div></div>
Battlefield	0.0	<div></div>
Poison	0.0	<div></div>

Economics*

+ 1.30

Accounting	70.6	<div></div>
Trade	47.3	<div></div>
Production	42.1	<div></div>

Military

- 1.00

Strategy	0.0	<div></div>
Naval Strategy	0.0	<div></div>
Logistics	0.0	<div></div>

Mystical + 0.296

Faith	+ 1.66	
Meditation	30.0	<div></div>
Divination	35.6	<div></div>
Lore	0.0	<div></div>

Lumen

+ 2.30

Sense Magic	100	<div></div>
Resist Magic	100	<div></div>
Wild Magic	30.3	<div></div>

Bonus to: Agility, Faith

Penalty to: Royal Demeanor,

Long Live The Queen

Skills

Mood

Outfit

Classes

Log

Menu



Problem Attic



Fitzwilliam Darcy's Dance Challenge

*Certainly, a good lady must have a superb knowledge of French, singing,
and discrete mathematics.*

SEEN THAT ELDERLY
CYB

Interruption Junction



I didn't expect that.
Conversations We Have In My Head



Oh yeah, and I use they/them pronouns now.

Coffee: A Misunderstanding



A woman with dark hair, wearing a white and orange scarf and a black top, is smiling and hugging a man from behind. The man is wearing a maroon sweater and glasses. They are in a room with other people in the background, some sitting at tables. A black banner with white text is at the top, and white text is at the bottom.

Most Sincere Greetings, Esteemed One

Clearing your heart of hatred, cheek-kiss your partner three times starting with the right cheek.

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