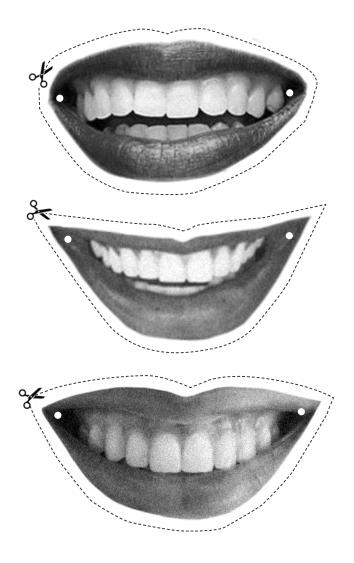
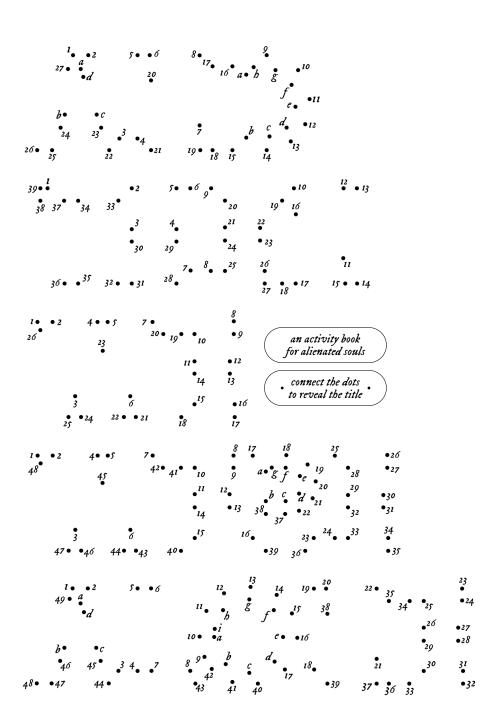
#### BUILD YOUR OWN

Elizabeth had never been more at a loss to make her feelings appear what they were not. It was necessary to laugh, when she would rather have cried.' - Jane Austen

pick a fake a smile to pretend everything is ok!!



material needed: scissors, hole puncher, elastic



content warning: depression, self-hate, death

disclaimer: no mental health professional was involved in the creation of this booklet - if you're currently struggling, seek help.

#### SELF-REFLECTION

'Suffering is one very long moment. We can only record its moods, and chronicle their return. With us time itself does not progress. It revolves.

It seems to circle round one centre of pain.' - Oscar Wilde

articulate your current mental state

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draw a haj	py memory			
complete th	ese sentences			
feel				
wish				

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# SURVIVAL KIT for DESPERATE DAYS

'In a dream you saw a way to survive and you were full of joy.' - Jenny Holzer

make sure yours is complete!

ENDLESS NOTES scattered around the house like a million unfathomable thoughts	☐ TISSUES  for the occasional cold and the recurring mental breakdowns
for the rare moments where you find the strength to cope with the outside world	DABOOK  you've been pretending to read for the last few weeks but actually understand nothing of
□ PLASTERS  for the body	PAIN KILLERS  for the spirit
AN EMPTY PACKAGING like a constant reminder of the afternoon you binged that chocolate bar	whose screen time is dangerously increasing from day to day, and you refuse to acknowledge it although you've noticed

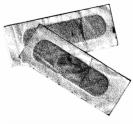














#### GOOD CARE

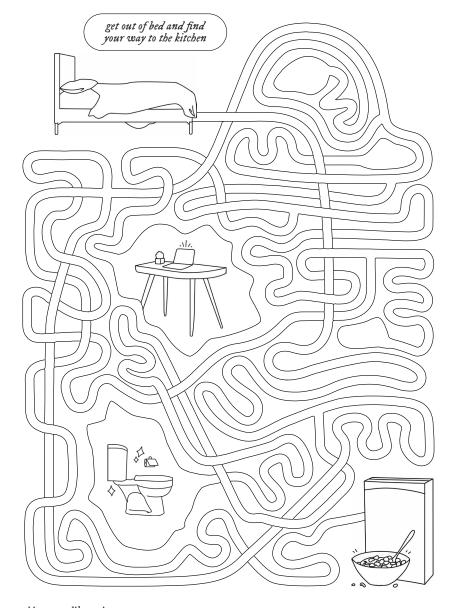
'Caring for myself is not self-indulgence, it is self-preservation, and that is an act of political warfare.' - Audre Lorde



#### (answers) 1. water 2. masturdation 3. yoga 4. candle 5. dath 6. cat 7. call 8. flowers 9. mask

## on THE RIGHT PATH

'Tired, tired with nothing, tired with everything, tired with the world's weight he had never chosen to bear.' - F. Scott Fitzgerald



things you	like eating	
	7.	

#### LAZY AFTERNOONS

'Invention arises directly from idleness, possibly also from laziness.' - Agatha Christie

identify the seven differences





La Paresse (The Laziness), Félix Vallotton, 1896

#### WORDSEARCH

'He had been bored, that's all, bored like most people.' - Albert Camus

find words and ways to cope

books	smoking	wine
cooking	movies	ranting
creating	music	facetime
dancing	napping	walks
exercisine	meditation	showering

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are there other activities helping to keep your mind busy?

#### ANALYSIS

'We are entering the age of the infinite examination and of compulsory objectification.' - Michel Foucault

are you ok? colour the relevant options



## VIEWS OF OUTSIDE

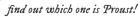
'Set wide the window. Let me drink the day.' - Edith Wharton

draw what you see or would like to see from your window



'It comes so soon, the moment when there is nothing left to wait for.' - Marcel Proust

The Proust Questionnaire is a set of questions answered by the French writer Marcel Proust.





1. Proust not balding not smoking

2. Camus no bow-tie no mustache

3. Foyce not smoking a bow-tie

4. St-Exupéry no mustache no coat collar

5. Flaubert not smoking no glasses

#### reflect on some of the questions

your favourite virtue	
your main fault	
your idea of happiness	
your idea of misery	
if not yourself, who would you be?	
your favourite heroes/heroins in fiction	
the natural talent you'd like to be gifted with	
what is your present state of mind	
your favourite occupation	
your favourite names	
what you hate the most	

(answer) a. Foyce b. St-Exupery c. Proust d. Camus e. Flaubert

'If the world seems cold to you, kindle fires to warm it.' - Lucy Larcom

what are these details of?

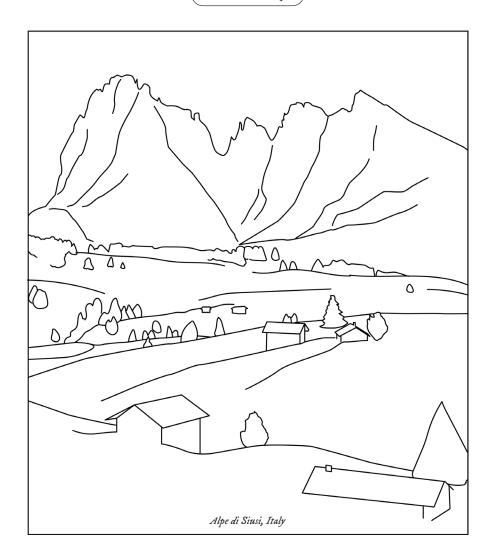
clue: there are three pairs



#### ESCAPISM

'We travel, some of us forever, to seek other states, other lives, other souls.' - Anaïs Nin

colour the landscape



where would you rather be right now?

## TEARY PLAYLIST

Music was my refuge. I could crawl into the space between the notes and curl my back to loneliness. '- Maya Angelou

match the artist to the song





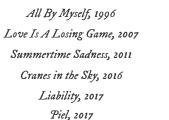




















extended playlist

Émile recommended Septembre, Barbara, 1965
Georgia recommended Nowhere Fast, The Smiths, 1985
Yves-Alban recommended The Rip Tide, Beirut, 2011
Marianne recommended Youth, Daughter, 2015
Lili recommended Grandiose, Pomme, 2019
You recommended

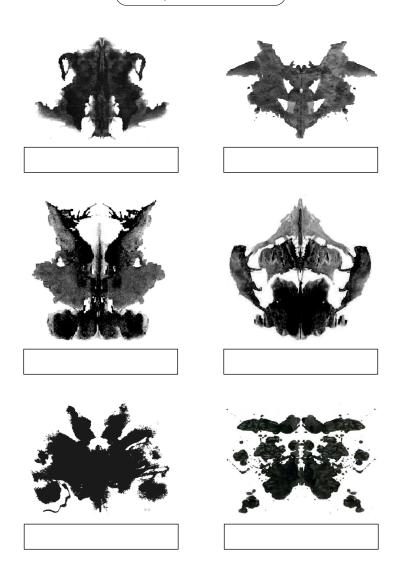


see the answers access the songs

#### RORSCHACH TEST

This test is exploiting pareidolia, 'the tendacy of perceiving meaningful objects, shapes, or scenery in a random or ambiguous visual pattern'.

what do you see in these inkblots?

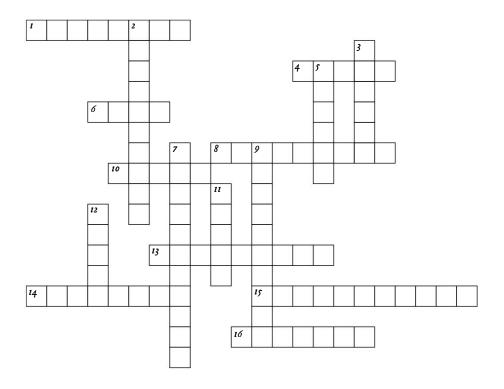


These results mean nothing as Rorscharch's theory was never proven efficient, but hopefully they gave you a pretext to reflect.

#### CROSSWORD

Each of us has his own rhythm of suffering.' - Roland Barthes

fill the puzzle with symptoms of suffering



#### horizontal

1. you never seem to be able to sleep
4. you see no hope or positivity
6. your body aches for no reason
8. you are invaded by your feelings
10. you can't help but feel irritated
13. you insist on staying alone
14. you have no \_\_\_\_\_ for things
15. you can't focus on anything
16. your mind is obsessively worried

#### vertical

2. you forget how to care for yourself
3. you suffer from deep distress
5. your \_\_\_\_\_ is unusually high, or low
7. you lack \_\_\_\_ and despise yourself
9. you have no or very little energy
11. you are haunted by regrets
12. you indulge in things excessively

which of these symptoms are you struggling with yourself?

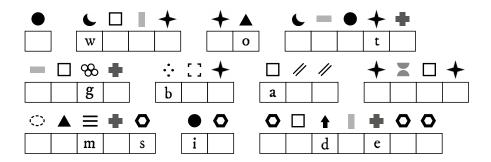
#### CRYPTED MESSAGE

'When I cannot see words curling like rings of smoke round me I am in darkness—I am nothing.' - Virginia Woolf



« black, lesbian, mother, warrior, poet »

decipher the first sentence of her wise words



We have been sad long enough to make this earth either weep or grow fertile. I am an anachronism, a sport, like the bee that was never meant to fly. Science said so. I am not supposed to exist. I carry death around in my body like a condemnation. But I do live. The bee flies. There must be some way to integrate death into living, neither ignoring it nor giving in to it.

The Cancer Journals, 1980

## MISSING ITEMS

But I miss you to the point of anguish.' - Simone de Beauvoir

can you find things in this mess?

1. my phone

2. my mask

3. my mental stability



## THE MAZE

'Is there no way out of the mind?' - Sylvia Plath

escape your creative block!!



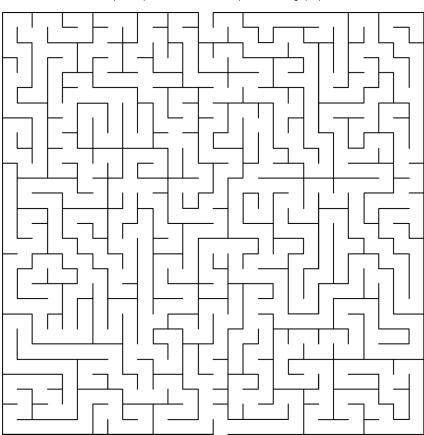




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#### GENERATOR

I have coveted everything and taken pleasure in nothing' - Guy de Maupassant

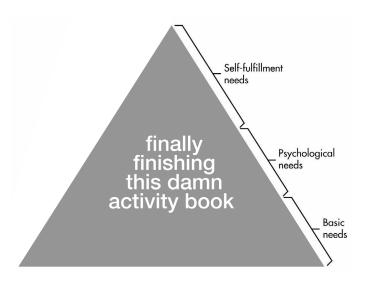
what's your depressed name?

your first name

You are \_\_\_\_\_

your last name

	what should you do tonight?	
the initial of your first name	the initial of your last name	+ the month you were born
	your last name  A - a bad  B - a disturbing  C - a stupid  D - a genius  E - a decent  F - a political  G - a horny  H - an old  I - a new  J - an unusual  K - a terrible  L - a clever  M - a trendy  N - an outdated  O - a problematic  P - an intense  2 - a calm  R - a pleasant	+
S - search for T - think about U - entertain yourself w/ V - write about W - fall asleep with X - draw about T - enjoy Z - imagine	S - a boring T - a comforting U - a difficult V - an exciting W - a funny X - an inspiring T - a modern Z - a strange	



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