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by **South Reinkalistan** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 9:23 am

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by **The Troas Sector** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 9:26 am

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Nakena
Post Marshal

Posts: 15010
Founded: May 06, 2017
Ex-Nation

by **Nakena** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 9:36 am

Pilot characters?

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by **Dayganistan** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 9:57 am

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Founded: May 02, 2016
Father Knows Best State

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I wish for a day when I can write some good aerial combat stuff in an RP. There's just so much stuff going on in a fighter aircraft with all the alarms and warnings, all the maneuvers an aircraft has to do in combat, and of course the chatter between pilots that it's so easy to write a long, descriptive post that might take a couple hours to write while only covering the action of a couple minutes in real time. There was a long running Ace Combat RP in P2TM that unfortunately I missed out on before they abandoned it (and never posted the sequel they were supposedly working on) and haven't really found any other RP anywhere that would allow me to write some good fighter pilot action.

To be fair, the same also applies to any sort of military action if you have even a basic understanding of the tactics involved at levels below "I send x troops and y tanks to attack z." You could write an equally lengthy and descriptive post that only covers a few minutes of action about an infantry squad clearing a house, a tank engaging other tanks, or something naval related I guess I don't know anything about ships other than shoot anti ship missile and CIWS go brr.

Republic of Dayganistan

A secular, Tajik dominated state in Central Asia which has experienced 40 years of democratic backsliding. NS stats are NOT used.



Aureumterra III
Diplomat

Posts: 778
Founded: Sep 21, 2020
Iron Fist Consumerists

by Aureumterra III » Tue Apr 06, 2021 12:10 pm

Western Fardelshufflestein wrote:

South Reinkalistan wrote:

virgin character writing versus chad "tu-95 go brrrr"

virgin basic NS leader vs Chad Alastair.
(Not you, of course, or anyone else here, but basic NS leaders in general. No, not NSG-across all of NationStates.

I've noticed NSGers tend to treat their accounts more as facebook profiles than nations to worldbuild in, from my days in NSG (of which I still suffer PTSD 🤔)

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Western Fardelshufflestein wrote:

Aureumterra III wrote:

Agreed, and some of the best writers I know on the site extensively go out of their way to develop deep, multi dimensional characters. I also agree with the post that says characters help give a more human feel to RPing

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by **Miku the Based** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 1:35 pm

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Agreed. That's where you get Bartlett and Harkibine the Raven.

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Western Fardelshufflestein
Senator

Posts: 4744
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by **Western Fardelshufflestein** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 3:54 pm

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Nice. I love making my characters SCREWED UP 🤪.

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The Near Islands
Lobbyist

Posts: 16
Founded: Jan 01, 2021
Left-Leaning College State

by **The Near Islands** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 3:59 pm

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Austria-Bohemia-Hungary
Postmaster of the Fleet

Posts: 20539
Founded: Jun 28, 2011
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Austria-Bohemia-Hungary** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 3:59 pm

Can we talk about edgelords and how meh they are now? <.<

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by **Western Fardelshufflestein** » Tue Apr 06, 2021 4:02 pm

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^^Yes, because talking about the meh-ness of edgelords is officially an NS cliché.

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They're meh because they're all the same 'zalgo edgy epic' dumb shit. Edgy has always been meh, being a war crimes enjoyer isn't even a matter of edge, some people are just actually horrible people that like people dying for their own enjoyment, not for the sake of 'hehe nothing personnel kiddo', but rather for just silent satisfaction or even just to make fun of them with friends after the fact with jubilant war songs and propaganda.

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yeah, this.

something I've found in my own (admittedly half-assed) attempts at writing dystopia, and that I've observed in other people's (far much better) dystopias, is that the ebil *has- has-* to make some modicum of sense ICly. it makes sense for Khoronzon, it makes sense for SP, it makes sense for the RSI, it makes sense for Orwell's Oceania (to reiterate an overused example), and it makes sense for my own stuff, or so I hope. now, those cases only make sense ICly, but that's the point- the actions the dystopia takes can be motivated by an OOC shock factor, but that can't be the whole deal, and if it is then it comes across as shallow and edgy.

it breaks the reader's immersion, more or less. I found O'Brien's "boot stomping on a human face" monologue captivating; I distinctly did *not* find the dime-a-dozen all-black covered-in-spikes color-scheme oh-look-at-me-I've-got-slaves-condemn-me-now nations or the "GENOCIDE THE GAEZ" groups making the rounds every other week to be so.

Miku the Based wrote:

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While I understand that you probably have me on ignore and probably won't see this, no. I'd just like to add that furthermore a *characteristic* is not a *cliché*; "liberal democracy" is not a cliché, for instance, it's a classification. But the narrative tropes that go along with that classification in most cases are indeed clichés.

Last edited by **Kiu Ghesik** on Tue Apr 06, 2021 4:16 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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I mean... sort of? A dictator isn't going to be distinctly "benevolent" or "bad," it's always a gray area

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To be fair, in the case of Aureumterra, it is arguably an empire because it is a group of nations under one singular regional authority (Rome, Macedon, Russia, etc), the traditional definition of one.

I was more referring to "Basically the United States (Federation) but with a monarchy instead of a president"

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I mean if you're writing a dictator it's really about whether they've been thrust into their position by fate/they're genuine idealists trying to make a difference (i.e. Lenin, Ataturk); as opposed to whether they're a genuine demagogue who's gathering power for the sake of personal prestige or fantasy (Hitler, Ceausescu, etc.)

Generally these people can be good or bad based on how you perceive them, but there'll be a definite difference in their governing styles and how they approach certain issues, and they're very different flavours of dictator in general.

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