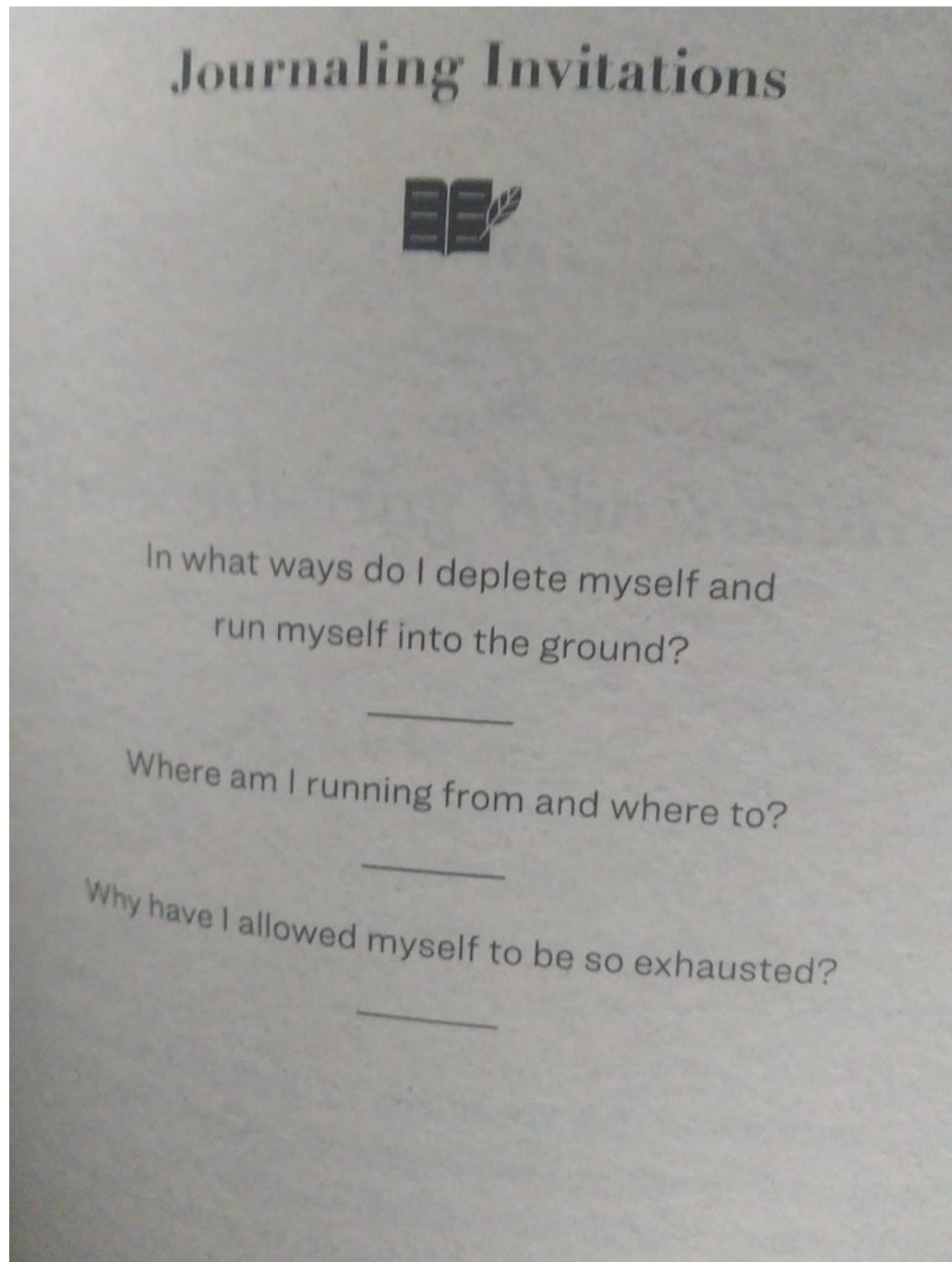

My pursuit of happiness

Spoiler alert: I'm not that happy

Grow up by Dave Ove



I, just like today, fill my to-do with learning and organizing. I spend hours perfecting my creations—to the point of skimping on schoolworks. Deeming them unimportant for my features.

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___ I am running from others who are my age who are also constantly being better (some even unconsciously). I want to become the best there

is. I don't want anyone to outshine me. It must always be me. Unless others excel in a field where I'm not interested, then that's okay. I'm fine with that.(edited)

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___ Why don't I relax and play along with my Benthelian friends instead? I believe this is a childhood trauma turned into a mindset. Back then, when I liked Franceska, Kris did too. And he was always better than me. Academically, Physically, and emotionally (?). Idk, he was always easygoing but prepared. We were close since he lives in Collinwood too lol. I think that moment, starting grade 4, tortured me. It made me feel things I didn't want to feel. Anger, envy, the lack of self worth, low self-esteem as others may call. I was a pussy but I didn't do anything about it.

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Now that the fire with Jaemin has settled (we're friends now, like, 0% on my threat level), more faces have emerged. And I just can't stop my desire of being better, of wanting to be the best. I don't share my knowledge unless it's someone who I trust and consider family. And although I have, let's say, achieved that. I don't want to be complacent. I don't want to feel incapable again. And so far, Symph has been dramatically helping me with that. From pushing myself to learn more stuff at a comfortable pace, to leading my own HMW. I think I am growing. As for my internal debate between resting and learning, I think that one's never gonna end. I'm just glad that I am fully happy with the way things are. I just need to not let them catch up.

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