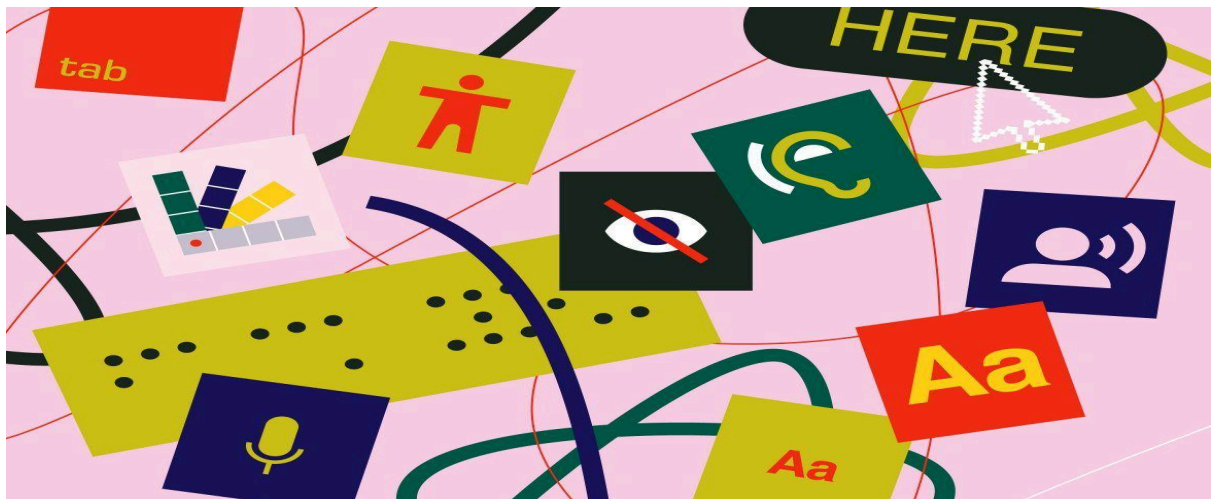# Bits of Freedom Prototype

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(Fake) Terms of Use

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1. Purpose
This prototype demonstrates two scenarios:
- Dream scenario: healthy, transparent, user-first platform
- Doom scenario: manipulative, algorithm-driven platform

2. User Responsibilities
We illustrate how platforms often shift responsibility to users:
- "You should have read 48 pages of text."
- "You are responsible for your own addiction."
- "Everything we do with your data is approved by clicking 'Agree'."

3. Access Permissions
The doom scenario shows apps requesting unnecessary access:
- Camera
- Photos
- Location
- Microphone
- Contacts

4. Algorithmic Recommendations
Algorithms in the doom scenario decide:
- What you see
- What you think is important
- Who you interact with
- How you feel after scrolling

5. Liability
Real platforms often disclaim all responsibility. This prototype exposes this pattern.

6. Service Changes
Features may change unexpectedly to increase engagement. The prototype demonstrates this.

7. Final Notes
This is an educational project by Bits of Freedom, highlighting privacy, manipulation, autonomy, algorithms, and dark vs light patterns.