

What is 1000 characters? Hardly anything at all.

You sit down to type. He has come to you, unable to be ignored.

His name is Bo. He lives in London, but he wanders through the tourist markets on the weekends anyways. He likes to make friends with the shopkeepers. He wears a wool hat from the market, even though when the London rain comes it gets soaked and the entire purpose of wearing a hat is lost. He works at a museum, and has a small flat, and takes the Tube.

Why have you created me?, he asks.

For an application, you respond.

I don't want this, he says.

I'm sorry, you respond. Your heart breaks for him. A spark of inspiration and he is achingly real. But he was born for these 1000 characters, nothing more.

No, he insists, please, I want to live more!

You cannot do that for him. But he is more alive than he knows, and he will last far longer than the space allotted here, in your mind and, just maybe, the minds of those who have read this.

What is 1000 characters? It can be everything.