

N+1 Script

You are greeted by TECHNICIAN in front of the glass door.

TECHNICIAN: Welcome to the Augmented Human Resources Experience. I'm going to fit you with this headset in order to augment your work process for the appropriate security clearance level.

TECHNICIAN fits you with the Magic Leap headset. When you are wearing the headset and facing the glass door, the TECHNICIAN presses the button on the Magic Leap Remote to start the experience and signals the ACTOR.

On your ML screen you see the IMAGE of a cheesy logo for Human Resources with the SOUND of some silly intro music. Then, SOUND bed of office noise begins.

The ACTOR walks to the door, opens it, and welcomes you into the room.

ACTOR: Welcome! I'm going to have you do some alphabetizing today. Please sort these employee files from A to Z by last name.

The ACTOR gestures to a pile of files labeled with names and helps you take your seat at the desk.

As you view the files through your ML headset, the main text content of each page is blocked out by a black square IMAGE - as if "redacted."

After 20 seconds of this work:

NARRATOR: Psst! Hello? Shh! Now be quiet. Try not to draw any attention to yourself. Keep doing your boring job. I'm not supposed to be here. But I don't think you're supposed to be here either.

You hear the SOUND of the NARRATOR taking a drag on a cigarette.

NARRATOR: Ok listen very carefully, we don't have much time... First, whatever I say to you, it's very important that you continue to act normally... they are watching you. If you're ready to follow my instructions, I can help you.

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First, I'll need a subtle visual cue from you that you are ready to begin. I can see everything that you see. I need you to very carefully, very secretly, give me a thumbs up.

If you do not give a thumbs up:

NARRATOR: Perhaps I was unclear. If you'd prefer to finish alphabetizing those files over and over, feel free to ignore me. Otherwise, please lift your hand in front of your face and show me your thumb, pointing upwards, towards the ceiling.

After you have given the thumbs up, an approving SOUND cue + visual particle system appear on your ML headset:

NARRATOR: Oh, how excellent! I'm absolutely delighted. You've really, truly made my day by showing me your thumb. I should tell you now: This isn't your first day at this job. You've been alphabetizing these files for *thousands* of days - you just don't remember.

They've discovered that the work goes more efficiently when it feels new. They just reset you every day. *They* don't care about you. But I do.

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Okay, I want to share something with you, but it requires you to be . . . sneaky. There is a RED book sitting near our dear corporate friend over there. I need you to take the RED book. See if you can make it look natural, whatever that means here. Don't worry, she won't miss it.

When you're ready, open the book to [PAGE 100].

When you open the book to [PAGE 100], a TARGET IMAGE triggers an approval SOUND + visual particle in the ML headset.

NARRATOR: You little genius! Very MI6. I'm impressed. I'm touched. What you see on this page is a poem. It's my favorite. I'd like you to read it. Out loud if you're willing.

SOUND of the "drama music" begins quietly and SOUND of office bed fades out as you read:

*A home transformed by the lightning
the balanced alcoves smother
this insatiable earth of a planet, Earth.
They attacked it with mechanical horns
because they love you, love, in fire and wind.
You say, what is the time waiting for in its spring?
I tell you it is waiting for your branch that flows,
because you are a sweet-smelling diamond architecture
that does not know why it grows.*

When the TARGET IMAGE is no longer visible, the "drama music" SOUND fades out (or cuts out?) The IMAGE of particle effects start to pop up around the room changes?!

NARRATOR: Ah, poetry! They don't make it like that in the real world.

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I have something else to show you . . . but I can't do it here. I need you to - ever so carefully - look towards the wall on your left. Find the button there. That's your way out.

The SOUND of the finale begins as IMAGE of censor lines rapidly start to appear around the room.

ACTOR - Noo!