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## Themes

* Corruption of mind
* Insecurities
  + Inferiority complex
  + Find some fitting mental disorders, like BPD, NPD, various types of depression or sum
* Delusion
* Social network’s influence
  + Echo chamber effect
  + Detaching from reality
* Anti-social behavior
* Internet anonymity and its consequences
* Exploitation of insecurities
* Bullied becomes bully
* Hatred to the world and to the self

## Inspirations for story

* Mr. Robot
  + Steel Mountain hack
  + Kill process from s3
* Fight club
* The Boys
  + Intro in E7S2

## Characters

### Main hero (need a nickname)

#### Description

* + - Main hero of a story, a guy, who can’t really forge real life connections, so he comes to The Forum to try to find his place here.

#### Traits

* + - Anti-social
    - Silent
    - Insecure
    - Gullible
    - Slightly paranoid
    - Tend to overthink before acting
    - Social anxiety traits
    - Used to work at the same place as Patrick, but got laid off due to budget cuts
    - Deep inside he is kind
    - Depressed
    - Pent up resentment against society
    - Afraid to be alone
    - Geek

#### Arc

* + - Starts as insecure, lonely guy, who can’t find his place and is frustrated by that.
    - He recently got laid off from a devops gig, cuz of the budget cuts and he thinks he was picked not because of his performance but because he never made friends with anyone at the job. He resents them for it, but can’t quite prove it
    - After leader exploits his insecurities, he becomes increasingly angry, to the point where he wants to take revenge on society like leader does. Also, he convinced the gang is his friends now
    - He gets a task from a leader to perform some unlawful action like blackmail. It’s contradictory to his nature, but he is angry and motivated enough.
    - After he sees the results of his actions, he realizes that he did something terrible. Gang cut ties with him, like they always planned, so main hero is alone again. Story ends with him hearing a door knock, supposedly police.

#### Inspirations

* + - Elliot (Mr. Robot)
    - That guy from intro in E7S2 (The Boys)
    - Jesse (Breaking Bad)
    - Kenny from “Shut up and Dance” (Black Mirror)

### Radical subforum leader (need a nickname)

#### Description

* + - Anonymous leader of the anarchy hacker gang, hates the world, capitalism and any other ism that comes to mind, wants to “save” the world by cleansing it of all impurities, but also wants to be more than sore loser and moderator of shitass subforum. Spreads his propaganda on the public forum subforum through memes and shit.

#### Traits

* + - Manipulative
    - Often jokes, mostly satirical, demeaning
    - Cunning
    - Not trusting anyone, except his right handman
    - Paranoid
    - Charming
    - Narcissistic
    - Hates people
    - Radical
    - Anti-capitalism
    - Does what he thinks needs to be done

#### Arc

* + - Invites main hero to the gang, manipulates his loneliness and longing for friends
    - Infects him with ideas by giving long ass convincing speeches of capitalism harm or some shit
    - After some marinating, he gives main hero a task, which is one of the steps in the bigger plan
    - After the whole thing blows over, he gains rep as ideological terrorist, but what’s important for him is that he is a real deal now. Cut all ties with main hero, to reduce exposure.

#### Plan

* + - He wants main hero to get him an account with DevSecOps Engineer role, which will give him privileged access to cloud infrastructure.
    - He tells main hero that he is going to use this account to plant a worm on database instance that will self-replicate and encrypt all the data, including backups. That will take the main resource, that Softcorp has, - information – away.
    - In fact, he plans to achieve it differently. He wants to use monitoring console to find physical location of the servers, create ghost employers to generate access keys to physically enter the building and blow it up. Codes will be attached to NFC chips, to avoid printing the key card.
    - Through account he plans to write on main Softcorp’s website that he and his team did it, to basically declare war and make himself known.

#### Inspirations

* + - Gregory House (House M.D.)
    - Mr. Robot (Mr. Robot)
    - Tyler Derden (Fighting club)
    - Butcher (The Boys)

### Right hand men of the leader in hacker gang (need a nickname)

#### Description

* + - Right hand of the leader, acts as his brakes when he goes too far, but ultimately, believes in a cause. Joined the subforum because he wants to be a part of something more than him, it gives him meaning.

#### Traits

* + - Loyal
    - Compassionate
    - Wants meaning in his life
    - Extra cautious
    - Manipulative

#### Arc

* + - Gets introduced when main hero joins the gang
    - Becomes a friend to him, shares his reasons why he joined
    - Helps leader coerce him to blackmail Patrick
    - Although he feels kinda bad for using main hero, he justifies it by greater goal they achieved.

#### Inspirations

* + - Romero (Mr. Robot)
    - Foreman (House. M.D.)
    - Frenchy (The Boys)
    - Biorn (Vinland’s Saga)

### Patrick

#### Description

* + - Extremely gullible, kind and honest character, who’ll act as vulnerability in system. “Cute puppy who will be killed” kind of guy.

#### Traits

* + - Gullible
    - Worked at the same place as main hero
    - Naive
    - Gives in to persistent people
    - Kind
    - Married
    - Honest
    - Friendly
    - Afraid of breaking the rules

#### Blackmail item

* + - One day he got an assignment to audit the social network Soft’s client’s database with their usage history. His friend (Let’s say David) heard of it and convinced him to let him see the db. He ran a few queries exposing user Ids and took a few screenshots of funny users’ searches and shared them with other engineers in department.
    - Main hero still possesses one of the screenshots and he can use it to accuse Patrick of database leak and show the screenshot as proof. Logs will show he was granted access to it and David most likely will confirm the story to save his job.

#### Arc

* + - He was kind to main hero, but not really a friend.
    - He will be crushed by blackmail or other deception and forced to do smth unlawful, contradictory to his nature

#### Inspirations

* + - Bob (Mr. Robot)
    - Ollie (Mr. Robot)
    - Literally any gullible character from any media ever

### The Forum as place

#### Description

* + - Anonymous platform for people to talk to each other and share content. Harmless at first, but the deeper you go, the more you will find.

#### Traits

* + - Fully anonymous
    - Friendly at first, ugly inside
    - Communities are echo chambers basically, people live in their own bubbles

#### Arc

* + - None, It’s just a platform

#### Inspirations

* + - Reddit
    - 4chan

### Hacker Gang subforum (also needs a name)

#### Description

* + - Radical anti-capitalism anonymous subforum. Consists of 200ish people and more the half of them are more screamers than doers and just here for the vibes. Only 10 of them are ready to act on their words, with leader in the lead.

#### Traits

* + - Dog whistling posts, facebook ass memes (some ai slop maybe?)
    - Supportive comments
    - Consists mostly of people who just want to lash out on something, without doing anything
    - Declining state, considered to be a dumpster by most of the people on The Forum
    - Leader is the creator of this subforum, and he is dissatisfied with the state of the subforum

#### Arc

* + - It starts off as cringe subforum, filled with couch warriors.
    - After story ends, it gets deleted by leader, because he wants a clean slate for the community that now knows him, not all this cringe. A lot of copycats appear, who start same communities

#### Inspirations

* + - Any subreddit ever lmao

### Player as imaginary friend

#### Description

* + - Player acts as an imaginary friend of main hero, with whom he talks in internal monologues that he writes in the notepad (fake one). Breaks 4th wall.

#### Traits

* + - Silent
    - Not responsive
    - Non exesistent

#### Arc

* + - None, we’re here to watch
    - After whole story carries out, main hero blames us in what happenned

#### Inspirations

* + - Viewers (Mr. Robot)

### Softcorp (scorp for short)

#### Description

* + - Big ass conglomerate, that has social network, e-commerce, cloud infrastructure and more, but most importantly, it has investments all around the globe and in any industry you can think of (movies, games, music, news agencies, etc.)

#### Traits

* + - Main hero used to work there as Cloud Engineer, but got laid off because of the budget cuts
    - Evil ass rape building
    - Have a hand in many industries and sometimes pressure them for decisions they’d like.
    - “Too big to fail” kind of reputation

#### Arc

* + - After attack, their infrastructure will be shot, databases wiped, but they will recover

## Events outline

### Intro

* + Main hero introduces himself, the forum, shares his struggles with society
  + Showing us that he can’t connect with positive sides on a site, feeling they are not genuine, fake. Tells about his layoff, how he didn’t fit in his work collective either.
  + Looks up Hacker gang’s subforum as most dumb subforum ever and crashing out in comments under one of the posts.

### Gang introducing

* + Because of the comment main hero gets noticed by gang leader and he gets approached.
  + Leader gives him a tirade about anti-capitalism, society being stupid and living in bubbles. That resonates with main hero.
  + Right hand also introduces himself, he’s more friendly to main hero than leader.

### Time skip

* + During time skip (like 2 weeks or so) right hand and main hero became friends, they shared memes, ridiculed other people posts on subforum, discussed life, even joked about leader too.
  + Main hero is happy, he found a friend, found a community he liked, purpose in life, he also start
  + Leader didn’t talk to him much except one time, when he asks him, whether he can count on main hero.
  + Time skip ends with right hand and main hero having a discussion about Softcorp

### Task assignment

* + Leader says there is a task he wants main hero to do, he wants to test him and says it’s time. He asks main hero to contact someone in his past job and get account access to internal infrastructure of Softcorp through any means necessary, including blackmail. He shares his fake reason from [plan](#_Plan). Only main hero knows, who is the good enough target on his past workplace for this kind of extortion.
  + Main hero refuses, tells him it’s illegal, unethical and he doesn’t wanna do it. He also doesn’t believe in the omnipotent worm at first.
  + Leader tries to convince him, tells him that no one really cared about him at the past job, cuz he was laid off first, guilt trips him about him being not a real member, not a real friend, reminds him of times when society did him wrong and he should take revenge, insults him, calls him a coward. Some of all this sinks into main hero’s head, but he still refuses and stop replying after insults
  + Main hero reaches out to right hand, asks him what to do, he replies that he is worried that this is too much, and he talked to leader about it, but at the same time something needs to be done, and this is a good opening to be wasted. After some time, he offers that they will do it together.

### Plan and execution

* + Right hand and main hero looking up who would they pick as target. They found Patrick, kind, good but gullible man.
  + Main hero has the [blackmail item](#_Blackmail_item), but he doesn’t want to use it, he thinks that they should use deception first. Right hand agrees, but insists on using blackmail, so Patrick will definitely cooperate.
  + Main hero finally messages Patrick. After catching up, main hero tries to trick Patrick, says he was hired back and needs help we setting up his account.

### Aftermath

## Story (as detailed as possible)