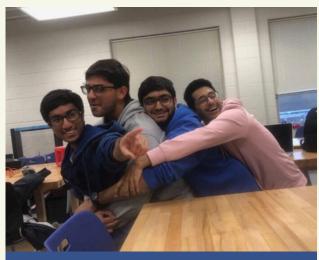
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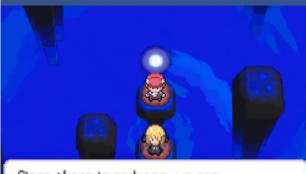
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MUSIC RECOMMENDATIONS

Kunj's newsletter talked about OSTs and reminded me that we shouldn't be ashamed of what we like. Here are some of my unapologetically "cringe" music recs:

- Route 209 Pokemon Gen 4
 - Perfection. Courage. Inspiration.
 - Lots of good covers and lofi/orchestral re-arrangements online too.
- Flight of the Silverbird Thomas Bergersen
 - This shit will make you want to lead an army of Valkyries into Valhalla.
- Nice Guys Ryan Higa
 - Behind the surprisingly great vocals and beat lies a legitimately useful lesson about true masculinity and chivalry.
- Never Say Never Justin Bieber
 - It's not clocking to y'all that JB was standing on business in 2011, and the Jaden Smith part has insane lyrics.



Since there is sadness, we can feel joy.

SHI THAT HAPPENED

Good

- Successful DnD run with the boys!
- Hung out with Lex and his friends again, Omkar's been glazing this Lex dude for like a year but honestly he's the real deal and my inspiration
- Hung out with Amazon friends again, fun people and funny occurrences
- Ashton Jeanty scored 33 points!!!!!!!!

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- My dad called me and told me I need to start dating (already on that one chief but it's been all nightmares thus far)
- Malik Nabers (my best wide receiver in one of my leagues) is out for the season
- My cell phone usage has gotten alarmingly bad, I am definitely using it as a crutch to not have to think about scary things as much which is harmful



NIGHTMARE OF THE WEEK

Girl I had the really great Hinge date with texted me at 12:49am yesterday and said she's not feeling our next date. This one really stung because I felt like things were going well. I'm tired of letting people like me, think on it for a bit, realize they don't like me, and then move on. It is emotionally exhausting and while I recognize this comes with the dating process, I don't know how many more I got in me. This is why I didn't date after my last breakup, I'm getting numb to it all.