It is as if you were doing paperwork (2022)

The evolution of...

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This is the process documentation for the game It is as if you were doing paperwork (2024) by Pippin Barr.

- There is no press kit. Should there be? Read Info (Chapter 1) instead
- Take a look at the **Journal** (Chapter 2) for a very incomplete picture of development
- Read the **Commit History** (Chapter 3) for detailed, moment-to-moment insights into the development process
- Look at the File Structure (Chapter 4) for the evolution of the source code

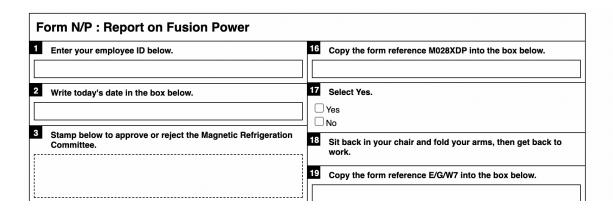
A note on the text

The text has been edited for print, but remains as close to the original as possible. Its main purpose is to provide the original material for exploration, the data is preserved *as is* and not updated.

It is as if you were...

See: Love

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[Click here for paperwork generator and instructions] Click here for paperwork generator and instructions¹

Description

Nothing feels quite as good as filling out forms! Am I right?! Choose any pen you want and get to it! Check boxes! Sign your name! Calculate numbers! Sigh loudly and scratch your neck! It's all the action of the non-digital office environment in the discomfort of your own home!

It is as if you were doing paperwork is a game of doing paperwork. At its heart it is a paperwork generator that creates forms that contain precise instructions for filling them out. You can't go wrong. It's an analog spiritual successor to my game It is as if you were doing work and was developed for the "What Are the Rules?" festival at the VAC in Moscow.

The paper generator was written in JavaScript using jQuery.

Press

There is no press kit. Should there be? If you want one, I guess I'll make one.

¹pippinbarr.com/it-is-as-if-you-were-doing-paperwork

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Form Generator for It Is As If You Were Doing Paperwork

Crappy process notes:

- Writing words
 - Technologies I guess
- Add some of the Chess instructions work environment things to do while going through the form so you can play along

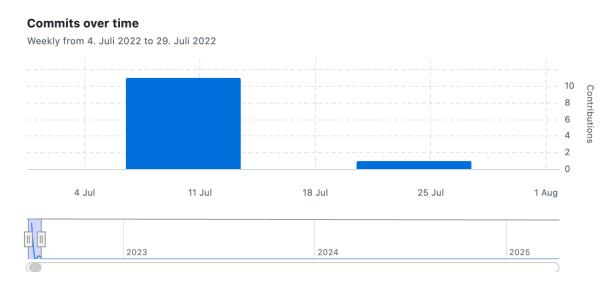
From Jim

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Copies to: (please list below)
Please write number of copies required
Origin code number here (three letters and fifteen digits)
Enter your PIN number below
Register here
Time allocated 1hr
                      2hrs
                             3hrs
                                    4hrs
Time spent
               1hr
                      2hrs
                             3hrs
                                    4hrs
Comments:
Yes or no
If yes please state name
Please initial all pages
Please tick box
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To order more forms select yes yes/no

3 Commit History

Overview



Messages

Thu, 14 Jul 2022 15:46:26

Initial commit

Thu, 14 Jul 2022 15:55:43

Getting this thing properly online

Thu, 14 Jul 2022 15:56:49

Continuing to get it website ready

Thu, 14 Jul 2022 16:06:04

Getting it together

Fri, 15 Jul 2022 14:27:46

Made a nicer presentation of the game, finished up the info

Fri, 15 Jul 2022 14:36:40 Trying to be more clear...

Fri, 15 Jul 2022 14:36:59 Typo

Fri, 15 Jul 2022 14:37:42 Clear clear clear

Fri, 15 Jul 2022 14:38:37 CSS fuck ups

Fri, 15 Jul 2022 14:43:09 Improving CSS

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Fri, 15 Jul 2022 15:01:08} \\ \textbf{Description for paperwork} \end{array}$

Wed, 27 Jul 2022 11:09:32 Added a question mark?

4 File Structure

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It is as if you were doing paperwork/
   assets/
   css/
    style.css
   info/
   js/
     FormGenerator.js
     html-version.js
     script.js
     script-original.js
   process/
   .gitignore
   index.html
README.md
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2022-07-15

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It is as if you were doing paperwork/
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