# Succeeding as an Introvert

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### Outline

- 0. A bit about you and me.
- 1. What makes me an introvert?
- 2. How being an introvert helps me.
- 3. How to succeed as an introvert.

### 0. A bit about you and me.

### Special thanks

- Martin Hynie
- Mark Tomlinson
- Keith Klain
- Susan Cain
- Lauren Helgoe
- Extroverts who make me uncomfortable

### You

- 1. What did you want to be when you grew up?
- 2. Where are you in your element?



### Me

- Tester
- Mindmapper
- Questioner
- Listener
- Introvert

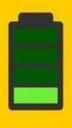
1. What makes me an introvert?



## EFFECT OF PEOPLE AROUND INTROVERTS



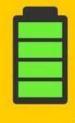




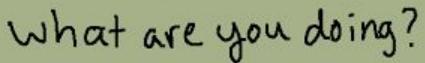


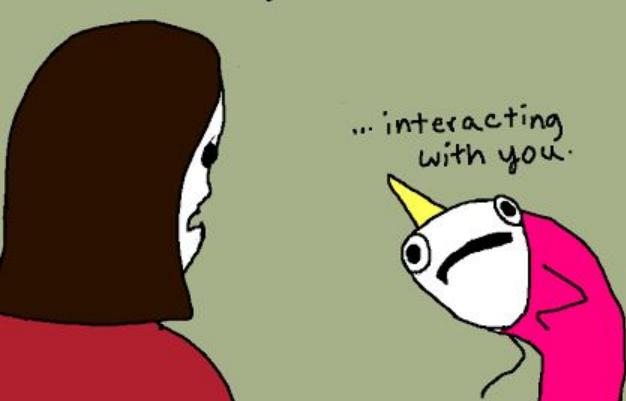


6 PEOPLE IN AN HOUR

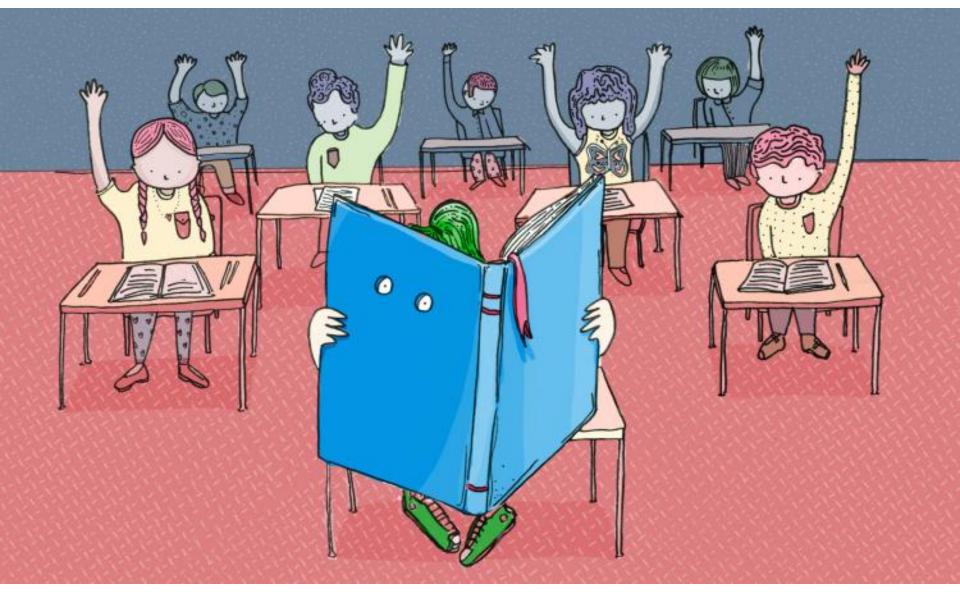


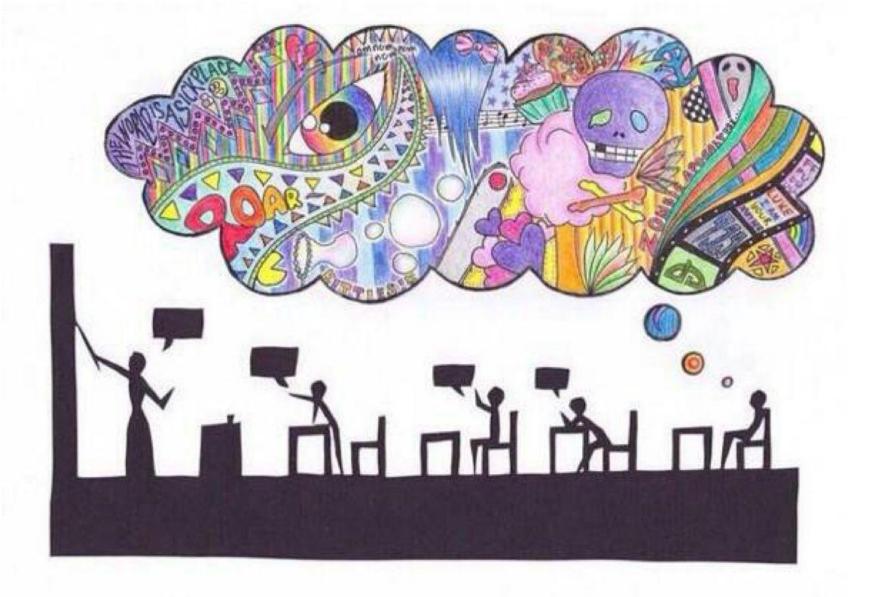
ALL BY MYSELF









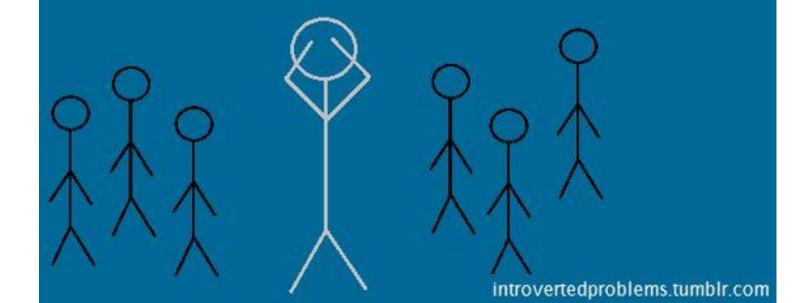


# 2. How being an introvert helps me.

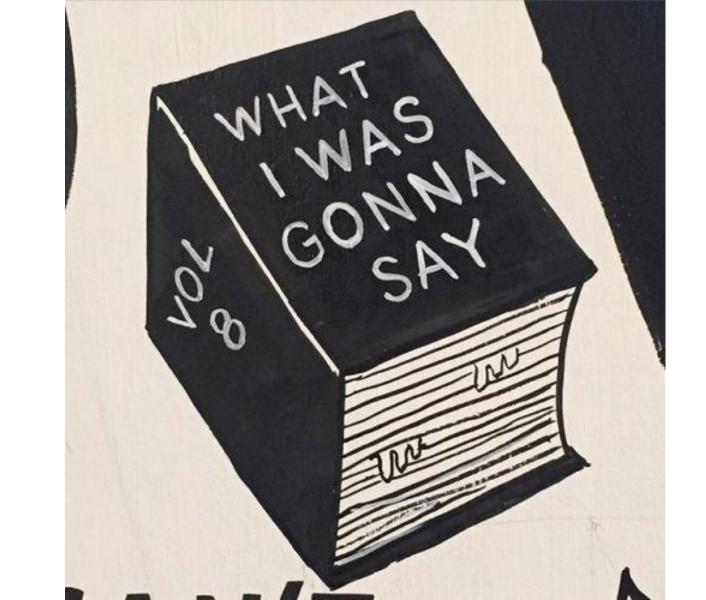


### Introvert Problem #98

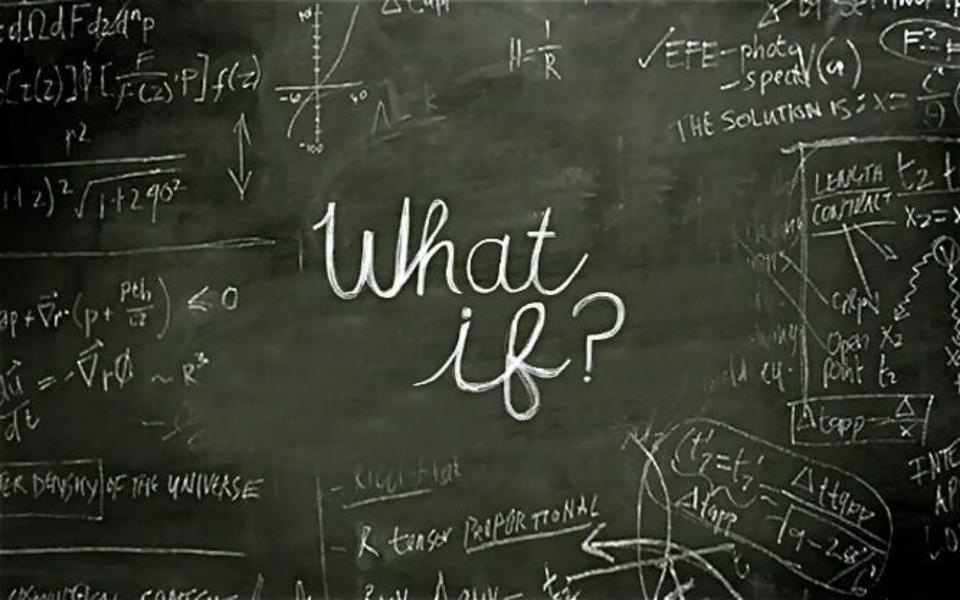
Being judged because, rather than socializing around the office, you actually do your job.













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### Core Value

Collaborate

Is Awarded To

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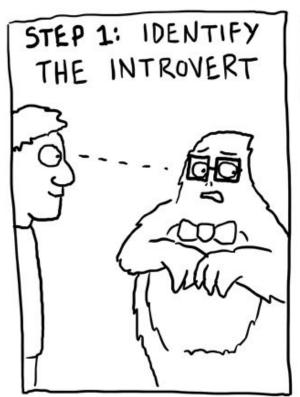
### If you've LULU-THEGOODVIBE.CO Made your point, stop talking.

# 3. How to succeed as an introvert.

# Introverts: Ask for what you need.

Extroverts:
Treat others how they want to be treated.

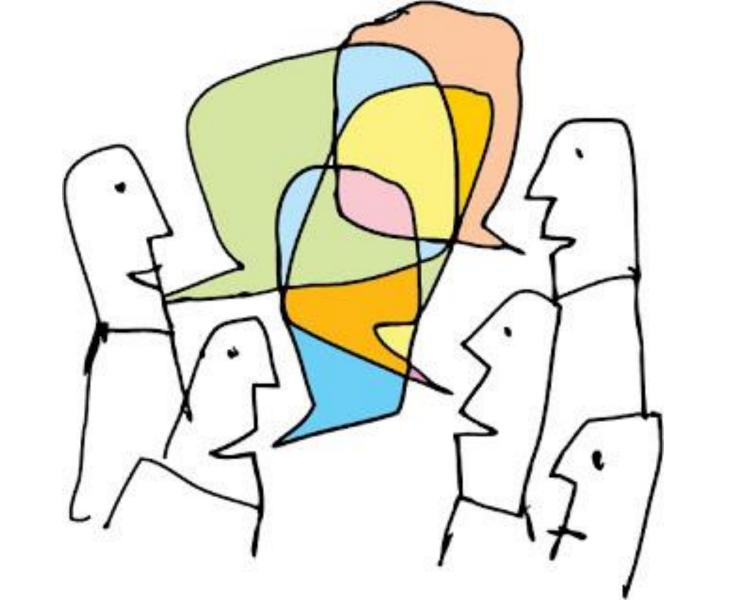
### HOW TO MAKE SMALL TALK WITH AN INTROVERT:





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#### I HAD TO TAKE A SICK DAY.

I'M SICK OF THESE PEOPLE.

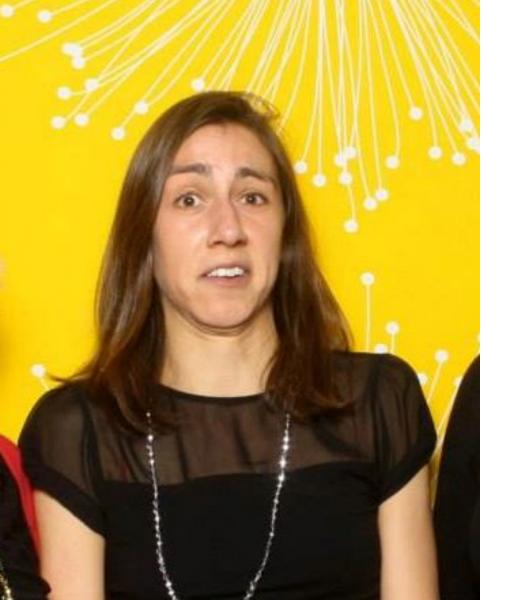




I have no idea who she is, but it's nice to have company who "gets it."

### You

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### Me

- Writer
- Alone at home

# Thank you.

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