Final Project Statement

Hikikomori is a Japanese term used to broadly describe people who have withdrawn from society and confined themselves in their houses/rooms, usually for at least 6 months. It is estimated that there are over 1,000,000 hikikomori in Japan today, and it is a difficult process to encourage them to reintegrate back into society. The premise of my project is that the user is looking through the computer screen of a hikikomori. The hikikomori character records their experience through journal entries, which the user reads to understand what the character is going through. By using a first-person perspective, I hope to give insight about the experience of a hikikomori.