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Images of Consumption – Analysis

My entertainment setup is currently composed of a black glass entertainment center which matches most furniture and cleans up nicely. There is a 42” TV (although I wouldn't mind a 65”) which supports multiple HDMI/USB inputs. Through this we run Chromecast, PS3, rabbit ears, and laptops. There also is a second-hand sound bar from my brother-in-law which really adds a layer of immersion that was lacking. In the lower tier of the center we house our Wi-Fi access points and printer. The multimedia aspect and immersive environment are probably the two things that matter the most to me. Unfortunately an immersive experience requires a greater investment than I currently can afford, however I fulfill my multimedia requirement by being able to stream to my TV from my phone via Chromecast and I constantly run a laptop through my TV to view web sites, play games, watch movies, and play music. I find that the TV in America has become somewhat iconic in its abilities to bring families together in the same room to satisfy various needs. My wife and I utilize the TV regularly to watch entire shows from start to finish via NetFlix together. It is a way for us to unwind and share an experience and to be close without the constant need to communicate verbally.

Regarding my morning regiment – maybe its a guy thing but other than brushing my teeth I don't put too much emphasis on my appearance. I grew up playing in punk bands and what often made you fit in was a disregard for social norms. At most I'll make sure my hair is laying flattish upon my head and that I don't have any “old guy” hairs poking out but otherwise I continue to keep my personal vanity very low on my priority list. In my previous career as a Paramedic this was definitely not the case but within the tech industry I feel right at home.