# SFP Chapter X

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A Guide to Reduce Social Media Dependence and Limit Online Presence

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"We're addicted to social media; we all have ADHD. We can't focus on anything, scrolling on TikTok endlessly.

We're in room with people we love, ignoring them, messaging people we don't even know or barely like, following girls on Instagram who never gonna fuck you, watching garbage.

Our minds are fuck, we're living inside the matrix, it's NPC world..."

#### What is SilentFootPrint about?

SilentFootPrint (hereinafter; "SFP") is a concept that might change your life.

Its main objective is to make more rational use of the Internet and avoid social networks at all costs, not only eliminating the need to use them but also understanding the origin and objective of social networks (spoiler; capitalism, cheap dopamine generator and the demolition of personality).

Whether you use social networks just to share your life with friends or use it to find out new ideas and lifestyles, you must be aware of the dangers of social media and the emotional, capital and social consequences they hide.

Once understood what SFP stands for, let's make a summary of what you'll find in this booklet and why you should avoid social media:

### The beginnings: social media sucks, it just... sucks

Extract from SFP Chapter II from <a href="https://cabinet.bbjprojek.org/">https://cabinet.bbjprojek.org/</a>

SFP born in the need of escaping the internet life for a while, getting on track on what truly matters in life and set aside shallowness and constant comparison.

The main idea is to reduce (or remove) online presence, which translates to limiting the impact that social media and other online platforms have on our mental health.



It's known that there is a strong correlation between social media usage and depression, anxiety, and other mental health issues. It's due, in part, to the superficial and materialistic nature of much of the content that is shared online. Even if you haven't ever felt anxious or depressed, I'm sure you have been unconsciously become a person dependent on what people think, and your preferences in many aspects have been shaped by what you see on social networks.

Furthermore, I'm sure you may have stopped thinking about yourself, and have given more importance to what people expect of you.

Social media emphasizes the perfect and curated aspects of life. The rise of social media and other online platforms has led to a culture of instant gratification, where users expect immediate results and constant stimulation. As a result of this, now we decrease attention to what truly maters and we struggle concentrating on tasks that have no instantaneous reward (a.k.a. everything that requires sustained effort). This doesn't stop here, as it is now also affecting relationships and how people just get tired so early of partners, and it's definitely changing the way communicate and relate to others...

Additionally, the vast amount of content available on the internet is overwhelming and lead to decision fatigue, making it difficult to prioritize tasks and stay focused. The constant notifications and alerts from them are also distracting as hell and disrupt concentration.

Moreover, social media platforms and other online platforms employ algorithms that are designed to keep us engaged by providing an endless stream of content tailored to our interests. This resulted in behavior resembling addiction and made it challenging to disengage from the platform.

Well, SFP might be a solution to these issues by helping reduce these effects and limit access to "cheap dopamine" and distractions, allowing focusing on meaningful tasks and improving concentration. By selectively disabling accounts on social media and other online platforms, we will avoid the constant distractions, comparisons and shallowness that disrupt



concentration, real-life experiences and true happiness... It definitely worth it.

#### How can we win the battle to social media?

We can't provide any totally effectively guide as we all have different visions of social media, as well as we use them in different ways. But we surely can give out ideas on how to stop depending in social media if you are struggling with them, as mentioned before.

In this booklet we will discover how social media affects to different aspects of our daily life, from social consequences to capital consequences.

Once you finish reading this document, it's your choice if you prefer continuing using and depending on social networking services or liberate yourself from this cheap dopamine generator and brain killer... Good luck!



#### Sector I. Basic concepts

#### Don't confuse social media with the internet

To get into context, we must first understand the <u>difference between social</u> networks and the internet.

First of all, the internet is a great tool that has allowed instant intercommunication between borders and seas. It has allowed knowledge to be accessible to a large majority of the population and serves as a great tool for organization.

It is important to differentiate social media between the internet in order to understand this booklet.

#### Your phone as a tool, not as a constant companion

Explained in Sector IV. Your phone as a tool, not as a "life partner"



# Sector II. Social media: social and emotional consequences

### Beyond the feed: questioning the authenticity of your personal preferences

In a world dominated by digital feeds and constant connectivity, our interests often seem like a reflection of our true selves. However, this header invites you to challenge the status quo. Delve into the realms of influence and authenticity as we unravel the layers behind your passions. Let's navigate through the curated landscapes of social media and explore the genuine roots of your interests, urging you to ask: are your interests really your own?

### Beyond the filter: exploring the pressure of perfection in the social media sphere

Social media emphasizes the perfect and curated aspects of life, leading to unreachable standards (e.g., beauty, grades, etc.), making you think you're not worthy enough comparing to them, and making you think everyone is better than you.

#### A. Unreachable beauty standards

With the media constantly portraying ideal beauty and body image comparisons, the decisions of men and women's beauty choices are globally affected.

There are multiple factors that affect the beauty standards in the world today, which involve women and men and the third gender individuals trying new trends to be socially accepted. The purchasing decisions of millennials are influenced majorly by social media. 72% of millennials procure beauty products based on Instagram posts and other social networks.

The images on social media sites are idealized and unreal, due to digital alteration thereby setting high expectations from individuals in society. Imperfections are removed by airbrushing and using other digitized apps to whiten teeth, slim waists and reduce sizes in order to be accepted as beauty ideals.



These techniques lead to negative consequences of increased body dissatisfaction, body modification and low self-esteem issues. Unrealistic images of "feminity", beauty, and success and body shape promoted through social media images are associated with development of eating disorders and body dissatisfaction disorders

Instagram and filters; a social experiment (by Lab RTVE<sup>i</sup>)

Filters and beauty apps represent another area in which social media has a major influence. These encourage, specifically women, to see and surveil themselves within "pedagogy of defect". They include filters and modification apps, surgery try out apps, and esthetic benchmarking apps which help individuals visualize how they will look after certain changes.

Five female students, one social network; Instagram. The interviewer asks for a challenge; "We wanted to ask you to take a photo of yourself for "Instagram Stories" in which you feel good and comfortable. You can use filters or anything else"

The students accept the challenge and some girls look for "their filter" on Instagram. Others, on the contrary, decide not to use filters.

The next step gets complicated; the interviewer asks "I wanted to ask you for another challenge; if you would dare to remove your makeup..."

Some girls don't accept the challenge, others do. Those who accepted are asked if they could take a photo again, for Stories, but also without filters.

"That's tougher..."

"Uploading it would be difficult for me 'cause I don't think I've ever uploaded a story without makeup."

"No, I'm not going to upload it."

"When I see myself without a filter, I look quite strange, I'm afraid that people will see me ugly."

"You feel a little more naked and exposed."

Some already realized:



"This makes me think that even if I don't use filters, I do have a filter on my face and I wear it all day"

"We now live in a society in which it's very difficult to love yourself as you are."

#### Beyond the filters: plastic surgeries

The use of filters prompts them to consider undergoing nose surgery, as filters often slim down the nose and plump up the lips. When she sees fuller lips, she thinks; "maybe a little enhancement would be beneficial for me too."

Often, when looking in the mirror, thoughts like "what if I had a slimmer nose?" or "if my lips were fuller, I'd look better" cross her mind. She contemplates undergoing cosmetic procedures. While she asserts that she won't go through with it, the idea is sparked by the influence of filters.

It's striking to observe how everyone utilizes filters, makeup, etc., ultimately leading to a smaller nose, longer lashes, creating unattainable expectations. This phenomenon challenges the perception of beauty standards influenced by digital enhancements on social media.

Adding further context, this struggle with body image and self-esteem is not unique to the individual. Studies have shown that exposure to idealized images on social media can contribute to body dissatisfaction and the desire for cosmetic interventions. The constant comparison to digitally altered images can lead to unrealistic expectations and dissatisfaction with one's own appearance.

#### B. Unreachable goals

While beauty standards are a big problem in people's expectations, the attempt to achieve "the life of that influencer" or "become like them" is also the order of the day.

On social media, we not only want to be "as attractive as them" but also "be like them", creating false expectations not only about <u>how we look</u>, but also about how we are.



The curated content on social media platforms presents a highly idealized version of influencers' lives. This carefully crafted narrative can lead individuals to believe that emulating these influencers will bring them not only aesthetic satisfaction but also happiness, success, and fulfillment.

The impact of such aspirations is profound, as individuals may find themselves constantly measuring their own lives against these polished and unrealistic portrayals. This creates a sense of inadequacy and dissatisfaction, contributing to a cycle of continuous comparison and self-doubt.

Understanding the psychological and emotional toll of aspiring to be someone else, especially based on social media representations, is crucial. Research suggests that the constant exposure to idealized lifestyles can lead to a sense of inadequacy and diminished well-being.

Encouraging authenticity and acknowledging that the online world is a curated highlight reel and definitely not a representation of reality can help mitigate the effects of false expectations perpetuated.

### Mindful in the digital storm: confronting decision fatigue and notifications overload

Click, click, click. Ping. Ring, ring. Ding. Between X, Instagram, Facebook, Outlook, texts, and calls – we are overloaded with notifications. Each one more distracting than the last. While some might be important, most are needless disruptions; our concentration and productivity is suffering.

#### Is it really productivity...?

I once claimed I was a great multi-tasker. I thought I could pay attention to one task, respond to an urgent notification, then jump back into that original task, or move seamlessly to another. Turns out multi-tasking is not actually even possible – our brains cannot give attention to two things simultaneously. Let's call it what it really is: task switching. For me, what would really happen is, I'd stop work to check a Slack notification, spend a few minutes on a response, check Slack channels, then move to some X (Twitter) notification, and eventually forget what I was doing in the first place. It left me feeling like I was working harder but with nothing to show for it (but exhaustion).



But I didn't have nothing to show for it, research suggests that by multitasking, I likely had a reduction in productivity. <u>One study shows</u> that it takes a person over twenty-three minutes to get back on task after a distraction.

Sure, we could turn off notifications altogether, right? But will we? Here enters FoMo (Fear of Missing Out) a.k.a. "I might miss important meets, concerts or the latest health products!!"

Not only <u>FoMo</u>, studies show that dopamine is released with every notification, causing us to click, swipe and anticipate the next chime, we are chemically addicted to new information provided by notifications. That's why even when we're "heads down" we're still likely to check for and act on notifications.

Also, same studies state that when we turn off notifications, we are more likely to open social networking and messaging apps due to that explained fear; the fear of missing out. So, it seems that by just turning off these notifications we're generating an even more negative effect.

Unfortunately, this problem not only affects social or friendship environments. Work environments are also affected; will your boss think you're not working if you don't respond on Slack? What if it's your child's school calls? We're so used to being connected that being disconnected feels wrong. And that comes with a cost. It's hard to grant ourselves permission to be present when we feel like we should be available...

#### Battling "FoMO" (Fear of Missing Out)

FOMO is an interesting phenomenon that is observed on social networks and that involves two processes

The first consists of having the perception that you are missing something.

Later, this feeling can be followed by compulsive behavior to maintain social connections through networks, as described by the <u>National Library of Medicine</u> in a summary of scientific studies carried out on the subject.

British psychologists elaborated and defined it as "pervasive apprehension that others might be having rewarding experiences from which one is



absent", FoMO is characterized by the <u>desire to stay continually connected</u> <u>with what others are doing</u>. FoMO was conceptualized using self–determination theory (SDT), which was developed by Ryan and applied by Przybylski to understanding what drives FoMO.

Today, more than ever, people are exposed to a lot of details about what others are doing; and people are faced with the continuous uncertainty about whether they are doing enough or if they are where they should be in terms of their life.

#### The Culture of Instant Gratification

The "likes," comments, and shares we receive on our posts act as rewards, triggering the release of dopamine in our brains, which is associated with pleasure and reward-seeking behavior. This instant gratification makes us crave more social validation and encourages us to seek constant engagement with these platforms.

Smartphones, offering a seemingly endless stream of information, entertainment, and social connection. The design of smartphone interfaces, with their scrolling feeds and notifications, taps into our natural inclination for novelty and immediate rewards. Every time we receive a notification or scroll through our social media feeds, our brains release dopamine, reinforcing the behavior and making it difficult to resist the urge to check our phones repeatedly. This addictive cycle of dopamine–driven feedback loops keeps us hooked and perpetuates our need for instant gratification

#### The Science Behind Instant Gratification

Dopamine is a neurotransmitter that plays a crucial role in our brain's reward system. It is released when we experience pleasurable activities, such as eating delicious food or engaging in social interactions.

Smartphones and social media hijack this reward system by providing us with instant gratification in the form of videos, reels, likes, etc. The anticipation and receipt of these rewards trigger dopamine release, reinforcing the behavior and making us crave more of it.

While instant gratification may bring immediate pleasure, research suggests that true happiness lies in delayed gratification. The ability to delay



gratification is linked to better self-control, improved decision-making, and long-term success. By resisting the urge for instant rewards and investing our time and energy in meaningful activities that align with our values and goals, we can experience a deeper sense of fulfillment and long-lasting happiness.

#### This culture, now affecting relationships

It is not surprising that people get tired of a stable relationship if we have millions of videos available on social networks... If we like a "reel", we watch it and when it is over, we forget about it. If we don't like it, as easy as swiping and seeing the next one.

It happens with love in this time of narcissism that we live in. We want to understand every behavior we have; we label everything. Red flag here, red flag there, toxicity, dependency, many terms.

We have an obsession with looking for that healthy love where it seems that there mustn't be any inconvenience. We have become too rational on a topic that often does not understand reason.

In our generation there is one key thing that has changed; the search for love through dating apps. Guided by an algorithm that only shows supposedly super compatible people, which should actually make more happy couples. But we are seeing that this is not the case; the rational method is having the opposite effect.

We think about everything, we are less spontaneous, we are not guided by intuition and it seems that it exists as a mathematical formulation, a supposed scientific method of perfect love that we have to follow today.

The reality is that you can flirt all the time with everyone, with whoever you want, so it's difficult to commit. If you enter into that dynamic of meeting people all the time, how are you going to bet with someone if you are constantly thinking that you have many people just one click away? In your imagination you think that those people are better, surely than the one you are currently with...



#### Materialistic nature of social media

Remember yourself when you used Instagram; what did get more likes? An interesting video about philosophy or economy, or a hypersexualized reel of a woman?

Think about it, social media (specifically TikTok, Instagram Reels and YouTube Shorts) not only does help you to learn almost "nothing" but influence you to value more materialistic, and superficial of life, giving less importance to more meaningful values, such as originality, honesty, intelligence...

This influence has led to some effects, such as the "halo effect" or "ad hominem". They will be explained below.

#### Extra I. Halo effect

Philosophy to the present: Nietzsche

Imagine that you go to prison for several years and you are released at the same time that your cellmate, that has been in prison for the same amount of time, and you have had the same crimes.

When you are released, you don't find a job but your cellmate receives more than a thousand offers.

Does morality have aesthetic criteria?

Let's see how psychological theory, enhanced by social networks, comes to life in the real world...

"If you crush a cockroach, you're a hero. If you crush a beautiful butterfly, you're a villain. Morals have aesthetic criteria"

What is beautiful is good. This happens with animals and with people; the first thing we see about a person is attractiveness.

We have to take into account a bias, the "halo effect"; making an erroneous generalization based on the quality of a person, in this case; beauty, or the superficial nature of a person.

We see a beautiful person and we unconsciously associate it with happiness, success and talent. At this point, we make 2 points:



- At work level: Many studies show that attractive people are more likely
  to get a job (it's more enhanced when jobs are exposed to the public,
  such as social networks). In Spain, at least, it's not mandatory to put a
  photo on the resume, cause in reality, it's evident that there is no
  relationship between beauty and ability.
- Empathy: This effect even affects issues of empathy. Beautiful people
  are judged less or differently even in prison matters, like previous
  example. These two points can be demonstrated with the "most
  handsome prisoner in the world"; Jeremy Meeks, who went viral
  precisely because he was attractive; when he left prison, he had
  thousands of job offers, and also with how certain murderers (or people,
  without going any further) are talked about and judged. be simply
  attractive.

We can <u>effectively conclude that Nietzsche was right; morality has aesthetic</u> criteria.

We must be aware of these biases, many of which are potential in unconscious ways with social networks.

These affect a lot in how we relate to others and are enhanced by social networks. Let's browse another bias seen on SNS (Social Network Sites)...

#### Extra II. Ad hominem

Extract from SFP Chapter I:

http://cabinet.bbjprojek.org/blog/es/entries/2023/06/13/el-fisico-importapara-argumentar

It's clear that utopianly, to end beauty standards, it must have to be attacked from "above", that is, from the companies that indirectly create these standards. It would be enough (among others) to stop buying all the "crappy" products that have more marketing than anything else, but as is evident, this is something that seems impossible.

An example; facial care

Likewise, in this review I argued that "facial care" products, most of them, are garbage and are pure marketing.



Just look at the thousands of Instagram reels with the title; "the BASIC routine for the face" and there are 8 extremely expensive products, with minimal use value... Well, with all this; I realized the following; Is the argument valid in the same way depending on the person?

The following is evident; people often take a person's physique into account when evaluating an argument, this may be due to cognitive biases or social prejudices.

Let's take an example; Suppose I say the following:

"Facial care products are useless and it's a deception of neoliberal capitalism"

If my physical appearance is taken into account, the ease of countering the argument might be as simple as thinking; "I see you don't use them, that's how ugly you are."

However, if I were extremely handsome & attractive, the plot view would be different; "Well, maybe he's right, he doesn't use them and look how handsome he is."

These reactions are a bit utopian, but they are a reality in this society. It's called the "halo effect", where attractive characteristics influence the perception of other qualities such as intelligence or competence.

This lead to some consequences:

- Ad hominem fallacy: Consists of discrediting an argument based on personal characteristics instead of addressing the content of the argument.
- <u>Discrimination</u>: By favoring or disfavoring someone because of their appearance, this leads to perpetuating stereotypes and inequalities.
- <u>Loss of focus</u>: focusing on the physical and diverting attention from important topics in a discussion.

In short, focusing on physical appearance or other aspects only leads to an inaccurate evaluation: appearance is not a reliable indicator of the quality of an argument or a person's competence, as described in the <u>previous effect</u>.

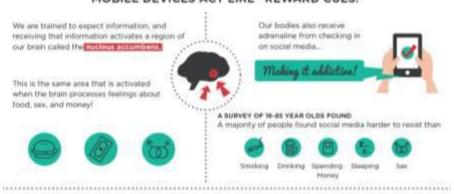


This said, at this point I don't think I have discovered anything new, but perhaps this reflection might make you think about how absurd it's to fall into this fallacy, and I invite you to use other means to evaluate or criticize an argument or opinion.

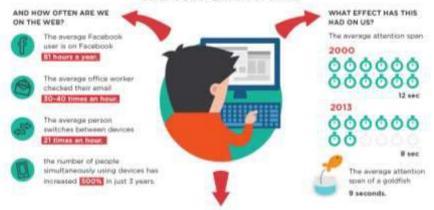




### ..... CONSTANT NOTIFICATIONS FROM OUR SOCIAL PROFILES AND ...... MOBILE DEVICES ACT LIKE "REWARD CUES."



### JUST 5 HOURS OF SURFING THE INTERNET CAN CHANGE THE WAY YOUR BRAIN WORKS



# Sector III. Social media: capital consequences

You may like: https://cabinet.bbjprojek.org/blog/entries/2023/11/24/capital-consequences-of-social-media

Let's begin; capital is (almost) everything in a capitalism society, it is so that social media turn around capital accumulation.

#### Quick facts

- 47% of users admit purchasing something they have seen on social media once a month
- 65% of users ended up regretting what they bought
- 24% of users admit they have succumbed to impulse purchasing because of social media
- 60% of users are willing to pay way more than planned for a product because they give them more "status"

#### Impulse purchases

There is notable relationship between impulse purchases and social networking apps. Social media platforms serve as powerful marketing tools, and the design of these apps influence consumer behavior, including impulsive buying. Several factors contribute to this connection.

#### Doing everything for likes, attention and money...

Watch the short "Capitalization of Everything:" <a href="https://cabinet.bbjprojek.org/blog/entries/2023/11/24/capital-consequences-of-social-media">https://cabinet.bbjprojek.org/blog/entries/2023/11/24/capital-consequences-of-social-media</a>



## Sector IV. Your phone as a tool, not as a "companion"

Once purged your phone from social media, it's time to understand how to make use of your phone, and start using it as one more tool, just like any other you use daily.

So don't be fooled; your phone shouldn't be more than a tool —it's a conduit for efficiency, not a surrogate for genuine connections (they will never be as genuine). Embrace your phone as a resource that amplifies your capabilities rather than as a constant companion. By adopting this final mindset, you understand the digital world in a different and healthier way.

#### Step 1. Removing unnecessary apps

The first step to understand your phone as a tool will be to uninstall those apps that doesn't bring you any advantages in terms of productivity.

Keep only those applications that are essential (i.e., WhatsApp, Messages, etc.) and productive (i.e., Calendar, Notes, Reminders, Calculator, Maps, Waze, Pocket, Duolingo etc.). You know, any app that you feel that makes you productive or help you learn new things.

You can install as much productive apps as you need, Play Store & App Store are fulfilled with that kind of apps, just choose and install wisely.

#### Step 2. Setting limits for "those apps"

If you feel like any productive or essential app is taking you too much time, try to set it a time limit to ensure you are not wasting productive time for any other activity (i.e., studying, taking a walk, etc.)

#### Step 3. Is it productive enough?

Once you have streamlined your app selection and set limits for your essential applications, the next step is to assess the productivity of each app. This involves critically evaluating whether the apps you've retained are truly contributing to your efficiency and overall goals. Here's how you can approach this step:



#### 3.1. Assess Usage Patterns

Monitor your usage patterns for each app over a defined period, such as a week. You can also try identifying which apps you use most frequently and whether they align with your productivity goals.

#### 3.2. Effect on Task Completion

Evaluate how each app contributes to task completion or learning objectives. Also consider whether certain apps are helping you achieve your goals or if they are mere distractions.

#### 3.3. User Satisfaction

Reflect on your satisfaction level with each app. Do they enhance your user experience or create frustration? Determine if there are alternative apps that could better meet your needs and enhance your overall satisfaction.

#### 3.4. Analyze Notifications

Examine the notifications generated by each app. Are they relevant and timely, or do they disrupt your workflow? Adjust notification settings to minimize interruptions and enhance focus.

Optimizing your smartphone for productivity involves a systematic approach, from decluttering unnecessary apps to setting limits and evaluating their impact on your goals. By taking these steps, you empower yourself to transform your device into a valuable tool for efficiency and learning.

Remember, the key is not just in the number of apps but in their meaningful contribution to your daily life. Stay focused and stay productive!



# Sector V. Dealing with friendships and "fitting" on the social media era

Making friends and fitting into society, at a general level, is already difficult for many people. However, not having social networks, or not using them, can make this problem even bigger.

As has always been said; we can't change what people think, but we can change how much that opinion affects us. So, at this point, we can't do much and we must accept that not having social networks is going to limit in one way and to one degree or another the possibilities of relating.

This problem is the order of the day and can especially affect young people between 14 and 20 years old, in whom not using social networks means isolation from other "young people" and leaves ourselves practically outside of "everything that happens between them."

Here comes the individual decision; between fitting into society (with the consequences explained in this book), or not entering in the social media game. Depending on your personality, ideas, etc., you may prefer one thing or another...

At this point, you have also probably considered striking a balance between the two options. Not everything is black or white; perhaps thanks to this book you might have been able to learn or recognize the materialistic nature of social networks, or how what we see there is not a reflection of reality, helping you avoid those feelings of "I am not enough" or "I am not like them."

Our objective with this book, in the end, is nothing more than to make an analysis of the capital, economic and social consequences that social networks have had on people around the world.

Understanding all these consequences we can make a more moderate, rational and effective use of them, making them a source of knowledge, marketing or inspiration (always taking into account all the risks involved).



#### Sector X. Be Ryan Gosling?

If you feel like you've already removed social media from your necessities, now you could complete the SFP by doing some of the things in the following list. Good luck!

- Art 1. Disassociate yourself from society
- Art 2. Regret everything you've done in life
- Art 3. Be lonely almost the whole day
- Art 4. Get a car and say "I drive"
- Art 5. Make the saddest playlist for driving at night
- Art 5.1. Pink Floyd and Bruce Springsteen must always be there in the car
- Art 6. Don't participate in any online or social media group chat
- Art 7. Never, never trust any woman in your life. They will destroy you
- **Art 8**. Say "I can't wait for the weekend "and then do nothing the entirely weekend
- **Art 9**. Be happily married with your wife but then realize she disappears every time you wake up
- **Art 10**. Enjoy "the best moments" with her in your imagination and realise that she doesn't even care about your existence
- **Art 11**. Walk alone in public and see everyone in a happy relationship, then say "why am I alone"
- **Art 12**. Say "I wanna be alone" an then stay at your house with your saddest thoughts
- **Art 12**. Have in mind that you'll never experience true love and loneliness is just a vibe you have to live with, with no responsibilities
- **Art 13**. Imagine an ideal life that you will never have, then think about that life so you have a reason to be sad



- Art 14. Start thinking that your single era might be permanent
- **Art 15.** Give to your bro advices on how to get girls, because coaches don't play
- **Art 16**. Be sure that you don't need a girlfriend, but that thought hits different at 3AM
- **Art 17**. Realise that you have to be alone this winter as well (and every winter ever)
- **Art 18**. Realise that the 2000s era without social media was way better, and online platform have ruined society
- **Art 19**. Reach your destination with your car but then wait some minutes in the car because the song is too good
- **Art 20**. Realise that your life is falling apart but at least you have good music taste (plays "On The Turning Away" by Pink Floyd)
- **Art 21.** Know I mind that you are still single in 2023 because you know how fake this modern world is
- **Art 22**. Sit alone at home in the dark without turning any lights looking at the wall thinking about something you don't even know what it is about
- Art 23. Take a 5-hour brake after studying for just 5 minutes
- **Art 24**. Have in mind that "it's all about you" when a group of girls near you are laughing about something"
- Art 25. Call your "2019 you" and say "ehhh listen, we fucked up"
- **Art 26**. Commit your most drastic life transformation in the next 6-8 months
- **Art 27**. Realise that you were fooled when they said "teen age is the best time in your life"
- Art 28. Never go to parties



- **Art 29.** The day before an exam, never study. Instead, get a coffee at a bar and enjoy your holiness
- **Art 30**. Be bored just waiting to get home then entire day, but once you get home don't do anything
- **Art 31**. You want a wife to marry, but realise that in your society there are; girls who wants open relationships, not healed, date to make ex jealous, has only fans, materialist, hoe, shallow, casual, has commitment issues, still stuck on ex, wants situationship
- **Art 32**. Go back home after experiencing the worst day of your life (tomorrow will be the same)
- Art 33. See a pretty girl and then realise you're afraid of women
- **Art 34**. Say "what the hell" when you hear your notification tone, because no one's txt you and you only use your phone for memes and notes
- **Art 35**. When having an exam, sleep your hours even when you didn't study. Just say "it is what it is" and have no regrets
- Art 36. Realise that you have to actually talk to girls to get a girlfriend
- **Art 37**. Always, always dress well, even when going to the local shopping store or getting a cigar, always look cool even though you look homeless from face. But do it for yourself, not for what others might think
- Art 38. Have in mind how unlovable and lonely you are
- **Art 39**. Enjoy your privacy these days. Don't care about being seen or heard or to prove any points. Just elevate and improve in silence and peace
- **Art 40**. Realise it's either faking your personality to fit in this generation or distancing yourself from everyone and just love by myself.



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