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EXAMINES IRONIES OF LIFE**

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I purchased two JBL 510 headphones just in time because suddenly my brother Feroze wants to hear loud Rage Against The Machine to be awake and energetic, and neither I nor my aunt really are enthusiastic about hearing the music. My solution was just in time, so that he can hear high quality sounds using the bluetooth on the Windows 10 machine he uses, wireless bluetooth headphones might reduce the disruptive angry emotions of Rage Against the Machine.

1. FAITH AND REASON HARMONY

DISAGREEMENT WITH DAWKINS

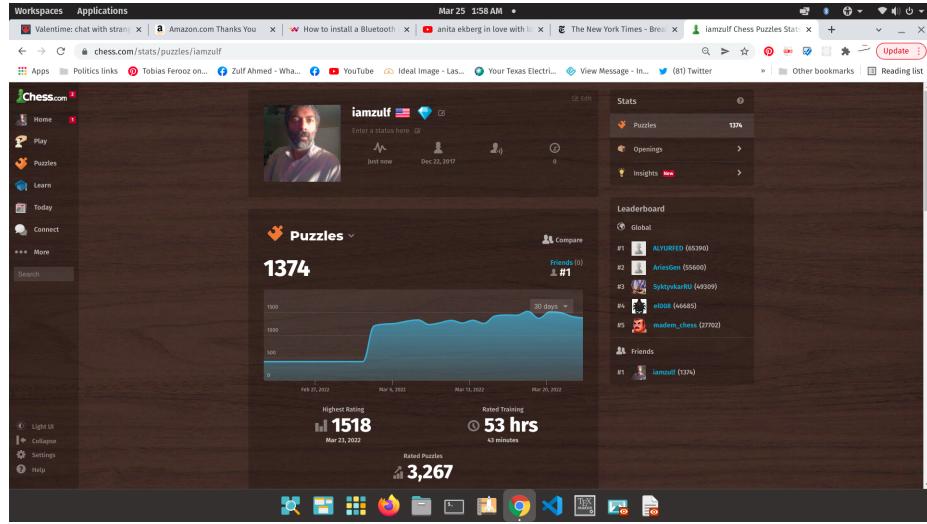
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Richard Dawkins' militant atheism does not stand on deep truth for the nineteen hijackers alleged in 9/11 were not even on the planes but he uses this to justify fairly aggressive views against Muslims. I am not Muslim myself at all, but I am not particularly compelled by his resolution of Faith and Reason sufficiently to accept it for myself.

My brother observes that while Dawkins and other militant atheists are reasonable, they are not interesting storytellers so Isaac Asimov is more compelling even though they are both of a Reason-focused scientific mindset. Here reasonable is not good enough to perturb the faith who are not already disenchanted with their religious faith.

2. CHESS RATING GOES DOWN TO 1374

After the peaks of 1518 my chess rating had a drawdown to 1374. It's just part of life, nothing you can do about this, just keep practicing.



3. MERGING OF IMAGINATION WITH NATURE WAS A PSYCHOLOGICAL COUP OF ROMANTICISM

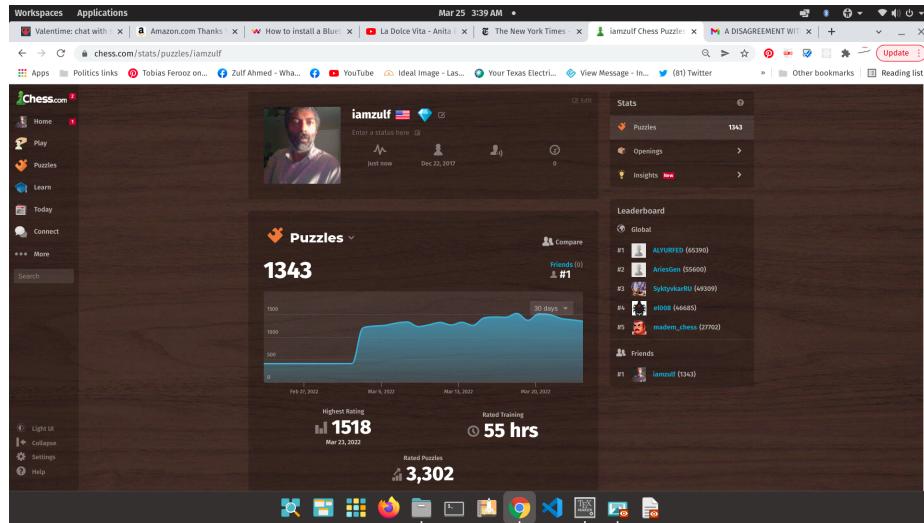
Paul de Man, in an essay entitled *Intentional Structure of the Romantic Image* from 1960, points out clearly that the concepts of imagination in the Romantic era was tightly and consciously merged with the concepts of Nature in Europe, and this particular choice had consequences of modern concepts of the Self. The beginning of the Scientific Revolution had combined with the Age of Enlightenment with flowering of a redemptive transformation that had allowed a Scientific Optimism to dominate. The Romantics, in the view of M. H. Abrahams used Creativity to produce a secular Supernatural, or *The Natural Supernaturalism*. Both the divinification of Science that have some adherents still had been tied to Imagination as well.

The Romantic understanding of art and life is still one of the most potent parts of world's intellectual tradition and compels re-examination for the serious thinkers about philosophy of existence and meaning.

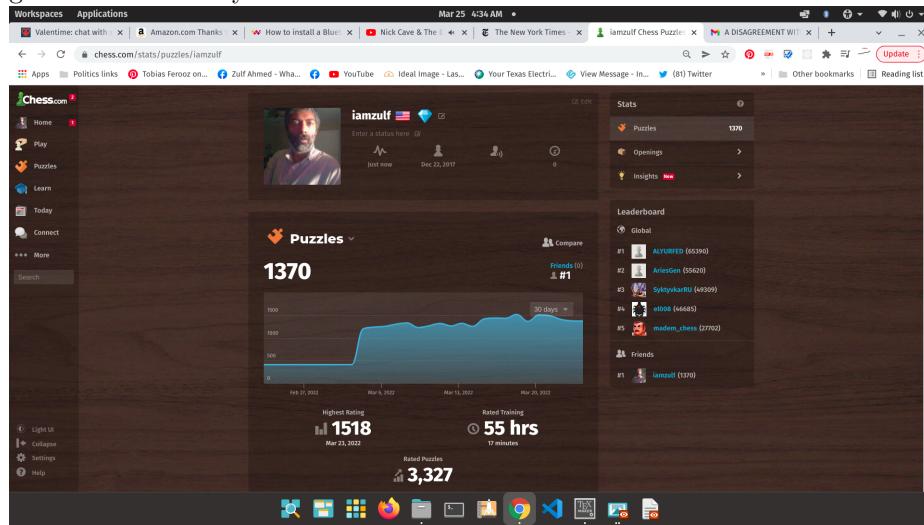
4. MY CHESS RATING DESCENDS TO 1343

Now that is quite embarrassingly low for Chess.com Puzzle rating.

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Despite this humiliatingly low chess rating, I am able to cope and live on without hating my mirror image every morning. That's quite a bit of tolerance and forgiveness towards myself.



5. WISH YOU WERE HERE

A beautiful young girl asked me today who were my heroes. I answered honestly that in youth it was Milton's Lucifer, the great liberator but over time it was Percy Bysshe Shelley's Prometheus, and I agreed with his reasoning too. And time has only made my heroes finer to me, although that time of life when I still have heroes had passed long ago before a certain disenchantment and coming of age.

6. CHESS RATING SLIDES To 1273



The slides do not scare me so much as make me realise that fluctuations do happen from the power law learning curve, not just in chess but in all arena of motivated habituation.

We have a project to produce a situation where all motivated habituation phenomena have quantitative models, and we want to use power law curves as a basis, and then we do want to understand some sort of Fourier analysis for the residuals.

7. AP PSYCHOLOGY MODULE 10: CEREBRAL CORTEX

The human brain has 20–23 billion nerve cells and 300 trillion synaptic connections between them. It is too intractable to consider combinatorial account of the human brain as a mathematical graph. Skipping forward to Module 15 we see Evolutionary Psychology and study of Human Nature.

I just realised how wild and sprawling psychology from the 85 modules just for AP Psychology. This can be mastered. The question is how to produce a coherent unity from the vast sprawl of psychology.

8. BILL GATES IS CLEVER BUT UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL JUDGED WAR CRIMINAL

Bill Gates is clever in his war crimes and other surreptitious criminal violation of people's natural rights against national and international law but United Nations Human Rights Council consider him guilty as war criminal, so his cleverness will not stand against scrutiny.