

# Designing Communities for Kindness











### HELLO!

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## BASICS

~\*positive\*~

!!fun!!





▶ nice ▶

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loving uwu \*:·° ♦ engaged ♦\*:·\* !!fun!! \*) healthy~ @TheVTran







# AMBITION

Do I plan for and demand the best of my platform and community?

# DECISIVENESS

Do I make decisions quickly?

# CLARITY

Are my community expectations expressed and consistent?

# COLLABORATION

Am I working with my community?

# ENERGY

Do I bring positivity to my community and lead by example?

# KINDNESS

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An act that enhances the welfare of others as an end in itself.

bad behaviour

Dead Space

eM;;

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Dead Space

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# CAVEATS





#### Mondo Museum

Developed by Viewport Games.

Do you have what it takes to design and curate the world's greatest museum? Fill your exhibit halls with extraordinary artifacts, hire staff to keep things running smoothly, and do everything you can to expand your visitors' horizons and blow their minds!

Trailer · Presskit



#### Six Ages: Ride Like the Wind

Developed by A Sharp

Life between myths in the spiritual successor to the acclaimed King of Dragon Pass. Lead your clan into legend or obscurity in a storybook strategy game, immersing you in a land of old gods and magic. Published by Kitfox Games.

Trailer - Day blog - Presskit



#### **Dwarf Fortress**

Developed by Bay 12 Games

The deepest, most intricate simulation of a world that's ever been created. The legendary Dwarf Fortress is now on Steam. Build a fortress and try to help your dwarves survive, OR adventure as a single hero against a deeply generated world. Published by Kitfox Games.

Trailer - Presskit - Classic Version



#### **Boyfriend Dungeon**

Developed by Kitfox Games

Plunder the "dunj" and take your weapons on dates. Capture the hearts of cuties to level them up. Boyfriend Dungeon is the the playful shackand-slash the world's been waiting for!

Trailer - Presskit



#### Lucifer Within Us

Developed by Kitfox Games

You are a digital exorcist, seeing beyond this reality into alternate timelines of the accused. Solve murders, purify the possessed, and purge their daemons.

Trailer : Presskit



#### Fit For a King

Developed by Brent Ellison & Tanya X. Short

Marry everything. Execute everything. SPEND IT ALL. Live the ultimate fantasy in this Henry VIII simulator, or die trying.

Trailer - Presskit - OST



#### The Shrouded Isle

Developed by Jongwoo Kim, Erica Lahaie, François-Xavier Bilodeau and Tanya X. Short.

Your Excellency, we prepare for the awakening of our Lord. He hungers for human sacrifice. Sinners try to hide their dark secrets, but all must be purged. Published by Kitfox Games.

Trailer : Soundtrack : Presakit



#### Moon Hunters

Developed by Kitfox Games

Play alone or with friends! A co-op personality test about exploring an ancient, occult world in 5 days. How will you be remembered?

Trailer - Soundtrack - Presskit





#### KINDNESS DESIGN

**RULES RESPECT NORMS TRUST HOME** 

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Obedient?



Penitent?



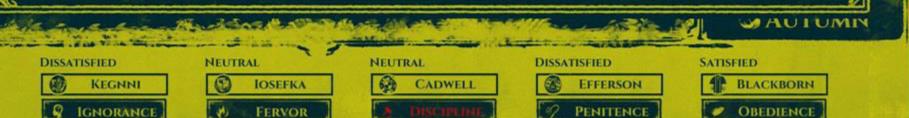




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BEGIN INQUIRY

APPOINT ADVISOR





THIRD EDITION

# FORESTAND THE TREE STANDERS TO SERVICE STANDER

SOCIOLOGY AS LIFE, PRACTICE, AND PROMISE

ALLAN G. JOHNSON

Author of The Gender Knot and Privilege, Power, and Difference







- Path of least resistance?
- What behaviours are you encouraging?



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#### PRINCIPLES FOR THE RULE OF LAW

- Clearly Defined
- Publicized
- Stable
- Just
- Applied Evenly & Quickly

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newveeplus 07/24/2019

Hey! So I just saw the meme you posted last night in #links-and-stuff, and it definitely made me uncomfortable.

Just gonna warn you it's been multiple infractions at this point, so please be more aware/careful of what you're posting or else I will likely have to do some sort of disciplinary action like a mute or ban for awhile.



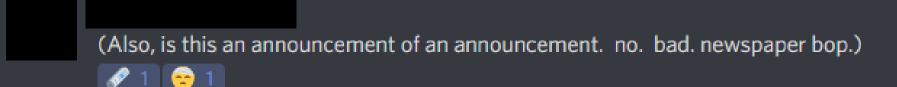




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**RULES** - social systems that shape and influence behaviour **RESPECT** - boundaries between devs, players, and more **NORMS TRUST HOME** 

She'll probably message you or reply here in EST morning tomorrow. They make her log off to rest and eat now.





## Victoria ♥ 05/22/2019 :c

but but

the hype

okay, but just this one everyone gets one





# GOLDEN BRIDGE Exiting a situation with no shame





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# TYPES OF NORMS

Mores: Interactions that carry great importance

Folkways: Casual, daily interaction







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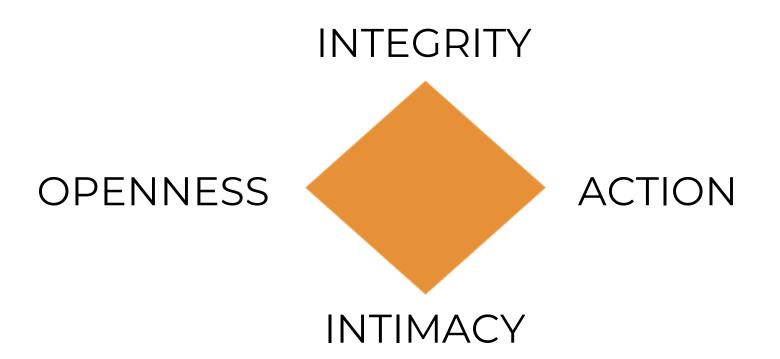
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Jerk + Anonymity + (Known) Social Facts + INTOLERANT Audience = Regular person

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# CORE TENETS TO CREATE TRUST



## **INTEGRITY**

being honest and having strong moral principles





**OPENNESS** 

appreciation for feelings, expression, and reflection

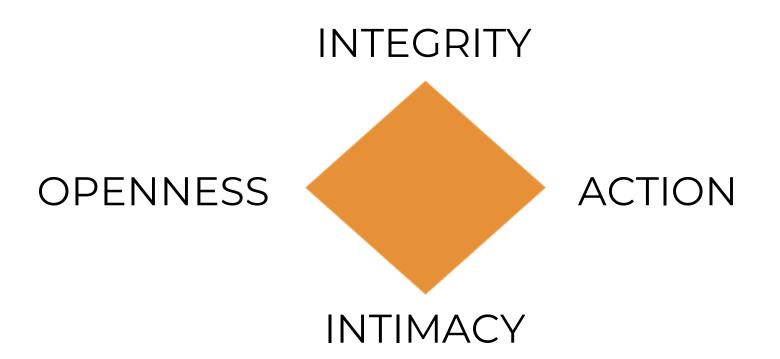


## INTIMACY

a close and familiar relationship with a person/group



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"I wrote you a giant list of concerns and then you actually changed your media pages to reflect my concerns.

I knew then that no matter what else, **you** took the community seriously."

01/27/2020

most of the mods i've ever interacted with felt more like sentinels on high who occasionally descend unto the masses to issue warnings and pass judgment, not actual members of the community

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**HOME** - coziness for warm, personal experiences among members

**Creative Projects** 57069 Posts Visual arts, music, writing, and anything else you are working on that you'd like to share. 2506 Topics Moderators: Toady One, ThreeToe General Discussion 1106410 Posts Discussions, commentary, reviews, news, friendly debates. 5960 Topics Moderators: Toady One, ThreeToe Life Advice

29205 Posts Have a question for your friends here? We can help! 3197 Topics Moderators: Toady One, ThreeToe Forum Games and Roleplaying You can participate in the only multiplayer games B12 is likely to have anything to do with here. Feel free to start one of your own. 1294782 Posts

9206 Topics

Child Boards: Roll To Dodge, Mafia

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Moderators: Toady One, ThreeToe

#### Communication **#** Connection

Similar Goals

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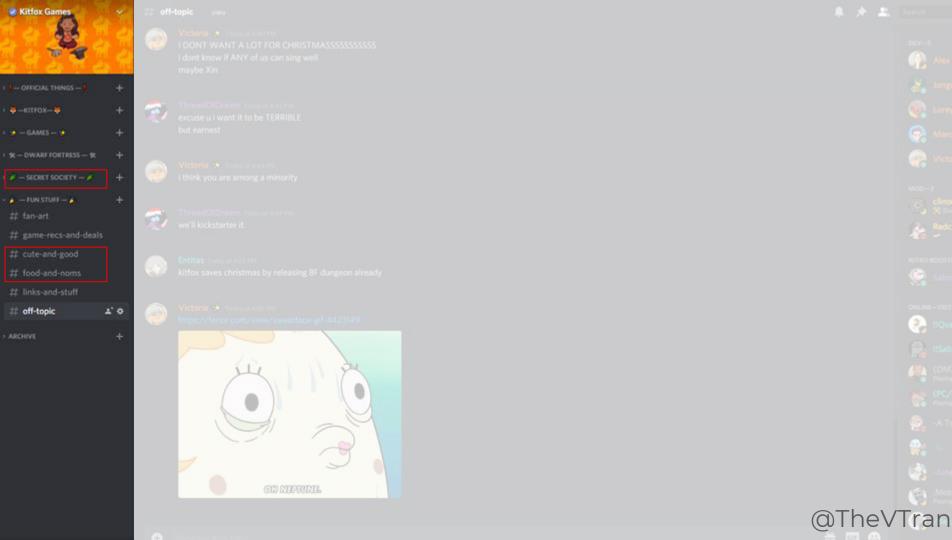
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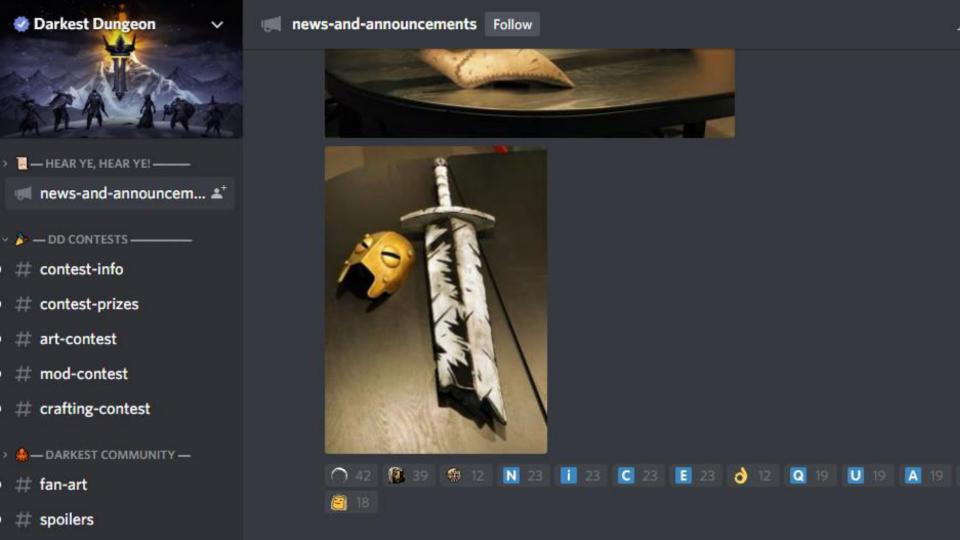
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Density Management

CONNECTION

and maybe friendship??





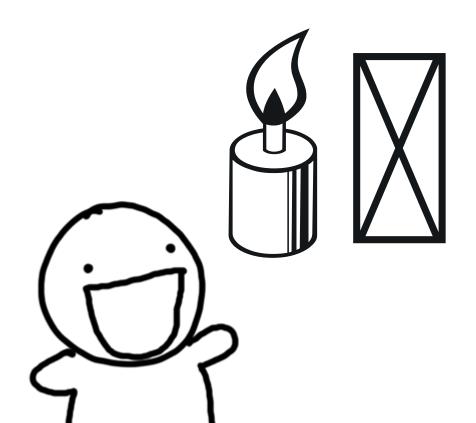


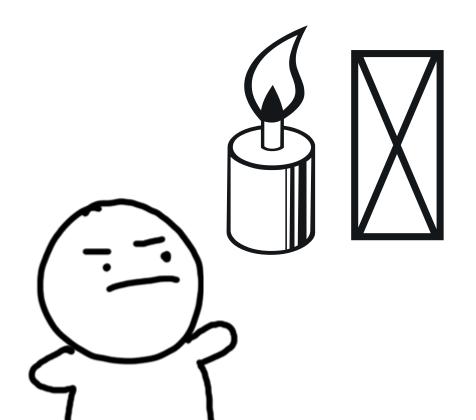
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## Love youuu thank you for being there

I love you too!! And of course, I want to be there for you as you were for me







## THANK YOU!

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