



HELLO LINXIAO-P.

THANK YOU LINXIAO. SO, TELL ME, THERE HAS BEEN SOMETHING OF *AN UPROAR*--AS CLOSE AS WE EVER GET TO SUCH A THING IN THIS DAY AND AGE--SPECIFICALLY ABOUT THE LATEST GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATION TO *LIMIT OUR V TIME* TO FROM NINETY-SIX HOURS TO SEVENTY-TWO. WHAT'S THAT ALL ABOUT?

YES, LINXIAO, BUT SUCH--I DARE SAY--A *DRASTIC CHANGE*?

I *DID* SEE THAT THE V ADDICTION RATE IS UP 18.5 PERCENT. UP 1.5 PERCENT OVER LAST YEAR. DO YOU THINK THESE NEW NUMBERS HAVE SPAWNED THIS CONCERN?

WOAH, WHEN YOU PUT IT IN THOSE TERMS, I GUESS... WELL, I SEE THAT THEY'VE PREPARED A NEW EPISODE OF THE POPULAR DAY-IN-THE-LIFE, TYPICALS FOR US -- COMPLETE WITH THE PROPER CHEM LEVELS. IT'S A BIT IRONIC THAT WE HAVE TO GO INTO THE V TO SEE THE DEMO. [LAUGHS]

SHOULDN'T WE BE ABLE TO ADJUST OUR CHEMS TO WARD OFF V ADDICTION?

*HAI!* BUT AFTER MY FIRST *FOUR-HOUR PEAK* I'M JUST GETTING STARTED! [LAUGHS] *I'M KIDDING OF COURSE.* THERE ARE APPS FOR ALL THIS TECHY STUFF RIGHT?

WE'RE ALL JUST A BUNCH OF CONTENTED COWS AREN'T WE. I WOULDN'T HAVE IT ANY OTHER WAY. THANK YOU LINXIAO-P. YOU CAN COME OVER AND ADJUST MY CHEMS ANY DAY-- [LAUGHS] NO, SERIOUSLY. [LAUGHS]

HELLO ALVIN. YOU CAN CALL ME LINXIAO.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THIS IS *STILL* A RECOMMENDATION AND OUR LEADERS ARE HOPING THAT THE PUBLIC WILL VOLUNTARILY COMPLY--THAT IMPOSING V REGULATIONS WON'T BE NECESSARY. *IT'S FOR YOUR HEALTH.*

THE GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BASED ON DATA FROM HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF V EXPERIENCES, THE INCREASING V ADDICTION RATE, *AND A*

THESE NEW NUMBERS PUBLISHED BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND HAPPINESS WERE

[LAUGHS] I DON'T THINK THIS COUNTS AS *REAL V TIME*. BUT SERIOUSLY, ALL HUMANS ARE DIFFERENT. SOME BIO PARENTS MAY HAVE SELECTED DIFFERENT GENE

THEORETICALLY, YES, BUT DOPAMINE, THE CHEM THAT IS RELEASED, WHEN YOU PEAK FOR EXAMPLE, IS A VERY POWERFUL DRUG. BEING IN THE V AND LIVING YOUR FANTASIES IS A CONTINUOUS DOPAMINE MAGLEV COASTER. BASICALLY, YOU WANT MORE. OF COURSE, WITH PEAKING--THE NATURAL KIND--THERE

OH, YES, ALL OF THESE OPTIMUM CHEM LEVELS CAN BE MODULATED SEAMLESSLY. YOU CAN UPLOAD MANY OF THESE APPS FREE FROM THE LIGHTSTREAM.

YOU ARE WELCOME, ALVIN.

THEY ARE ALSO EMPHASIZING THAT *VACATION V* IS STILL AT THE USER'S DISCRETION. OF COURSE, USING SENSIBLE V PRACTICES--

--A GOOD IDEA AT ALL TIMES.

*POSSIBLE* CORRELATION TO THE INCREASING SUICIDE RATE--ALL JUST SPECULATION AT THIS POINT, OF COURSE.

A BIT ALARMING. AFTER ALL, IT EQUATES TO AN ADDITIONAL 267 MILLION PEOPLE.

PARTITIONS THAN OTHERS. SO, IF YOU WERE TO FOLLOW ANY OF THESE PROTOCOLS, YOU WOULD BE WELL WITHIN RECOMMENDED HEALTH BOUNDARIES.

IS ALSO A NATURAL DENOUEMENT--THE HIGH DISSIPATES QUICKLY. IN THE V, THE DOPAMINE CAN KEEP COMING, DEPENDING ON THE PROGRAM YOU ARE IN. WHICH IS WHY YOU SHOULD *ALWAYS* USE THE RECOMMENDED CHEM PRE-SETS THAT COME WITH THE EXPERIENCE. THEN, WHEN

IT'S TIME TO LEAVE THE V, THERE IS A SUFFICIENT RELEASE OF PROLACTIN TO SATIATE YOU BEFORE COMING BACK TO THE REAL WORLD. OF COURSE, KEEPING YOUR *OXYTOCIN* LEVELS UP IS IMPORTANT AT ALL TIMES AS WELL.

BY FAR, IT'S THE BEST WAY TO HAVE A HEALTHY V EXPERIENCE. SOME DOPAMINE EVERY DAY IS FINE, BUT *TOO MUCH* AND YOU RISK A LOT OF OTHER SIDE EFFECTS.



## TYPICALS

### James and Momo

This year's typicals bring back James and Momo for a first-person tour of their weekly V habits. Whether or not James and Momo are human, synth actors or constructs remains a popular guessing game, but with this year's intimacy section of the program, many people are more convinced that certain "body functions" are uniquely human. In the safety section, as James "performs," Momo explains how our bio parents may have selected different gene partitions than other humans, requiring different chem protocols. She reminds us that these easily programmable guides should keep everyone well within health boundaries.

In the program, Momo asks a question that many everyday V users ask, "Shouldn't we be able to adjust chems levels to ward off V addiction?"

As James explains in his inimitable way, the answer is theoretically, yes. The power of dopamine, however, the chem that is released at peak, for example, has undisputed addictive properties. Statistics show that 86 percent of V experiences result in a flush of dopamine.