

Story Ratings

READING TIME		~2 HOURS
THOUGHT-PROVOKING		The story raises thought-provoking questions and challenges readers' perspectives.
DISCUSSION-INDUCING		The novella leaves the reader with new questions and ideas, inviting ongoing discussions and debates.
CHARACTER-ORIENTED		There is an all-female cast of characters, each with a distinct and separate personality and background.
EDUCATIONAL		The reader is invited to learn more about binomial nomenclature and HTTP status codes, among others.
EMOTIONALLY CHALLENGING		The novella presents and grapples with heavy themes.
GRAPHIC		Minimal violence and very mild swearing.

TIMELINE LENGTH

CONDENSED EPIC

The entire story takes place within one hour.

NARRATIVE STYLE

DIALOGUE DESCRIPTION

More dialogue than description.

TIMELINE CONSISTENCY

CONTINUOUS TIME-SKIPS

The story is told chronologically, with no breaks.

PACING

CONTEMPLATIVE FAST-PACED

The pacing is largely slow. Every minute is accounted for.

WORLD

FAMILIAR STRANGE

The world is the same one of today, only with more technology, and fewer everyday struggles.

THEME WEIGHT

LIGHT HEAVY

The story is emotionally heavy and requires more emotional and intellectual investment than average.

SETTING

QUOTIDIAN FANTASTICAL

The setting – the great hall of a futuristic max-security prison – feels both strange and strangely everyday.

SUSPENSE

LIGHT HIGH

The suspense builds slowly and steadily through the pages. Every page provides more questions.

DETAIL

INTRICATE CONCISE

Backgrounds and inner workings are kept relatively concise in service of keeping the story going.

LAYERING

EVIDENT SUBTLE

Deeper meanings and connections are layered into the narrative. The story can be more rewarding on the re-read.

ATMOSPHERE

THRILLING INTROSPECTIVE

The story is a slow-burn, focusing on character interactions and the gradual unraveling of the world background.

MOOD

HUMOROUS SERIOUS

The themes are serious. The conversations are at times comical.

TECHNOLOGY

EMPHASISED INTEGRATED

The technology is advanced, but seamlessly integrated into the story and taken for granted by the characters.

INTENSITY

ACTION SCENES SLICE OF LIFE

Nothing explodes. There is a game headset that breaks down. A little bit – just the nose part.

Potential Warnings and Triggers

The story contains depictions, mentions and implications of:

- ◆ Animal harm (*omnipresent – by mention – not graphic*)
- ◆ Cosmetic surgery and procedures (*frequent – by mention and implication – mildly graphic*)
- ◆ Drug and alcohol abuse (*rare – by mention and implication – not graphic*)
- ◆ Self-harm and suicide (*rare – by mention and implication – mildly graphic*)
- ◆ Insects and reptiles (*minimal – by mention – not graphic*)
- ◆ Politics (*moderate – by mention*)
- ◆ War (*minimal – by mention – not graphic*)
- ◆ Swearing (*minimal – by depiction – not graphic*)