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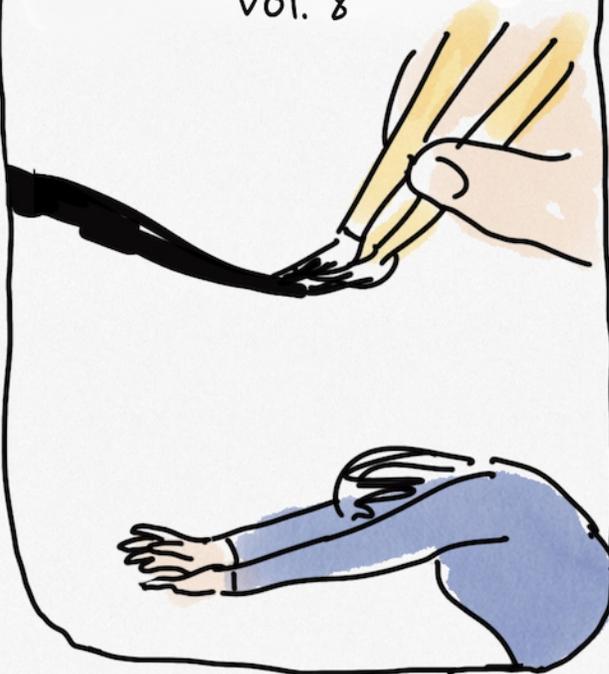
DAZE in a LIFE



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WORD PROBLEMS @raymondsbrain

If you borrow
\$6 MILLION



with a
7% Solution



amortized over
9½ WEEKS



How many angels
dance on the
head of a pin?



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P O W E L L



S T R E E T



F E S T I V A L



T E L E T H O N

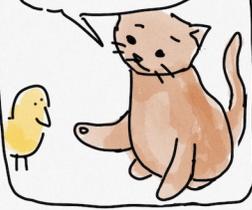


A LITTLE CHICKEN @raymondsbrain

THE SKY IS FALLING!
THE SKY IS FALLING!



Take a pill
and chill...



..AAH...



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UMBRELLA ACADEMY covers a lot

JUSTICE



IDENTITY



LOVE



POWER



New & Improved
GRAL EXAM

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FIRST BLOOD @ raymonds brain

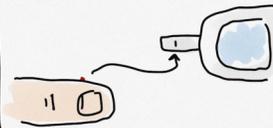
Your mission...



if you choose to accept it...



is to extract...



a drop of blood.



Rats! I have to do it again

SPEED CUBERS @raymondsbrain

I struggle to 'solve' a Rubik's cube, even with INSTRUCTIONS.



World champions do it in under 7 seconds



One of the fastest is an autistic Asian American



who idolizes the Australian whose records he's broken.



JOJO RABBIT @ raymondsbrain

Let everything
happen to you



Beauty and terror



Just keep going



No feeling is final!



-Rilke

Education in
AKATA WITCH

@raymondsbrain

Leopard people learn
juju from teachers.



When they learn,
they receive
CHITTIM (magic money).



If they break rules,
they can be flogged.



If they fail an
assignment, they can DIE.



MISQUOTE @ raymondsbrain

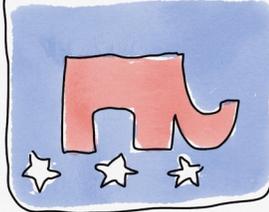
what DIES behind you



and what DIES before you



pales in comparison to



what DIES within you



THE CHASE @ raymondsbrain

On THE CHASE, players answer trivia questions



pursued by a large, smart guy called The Beast.



Almost like the time I won a trivia contest



on a cruise ship



against drunken seniors.

NUMERICAL ADVANTAGE @raymondbrain

My spouse left me



her old Fitbit

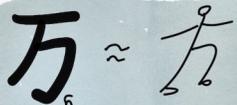
She found a better



Colour!

fitness tracker.

I know 10000 steps
is arbitrary, but



Japanese for 10000

still satisfying.



What She Wanted @raymondsbrain

Princess Kaguya



preferred playing outdoors



to life in a gilded cage.



must remember that.



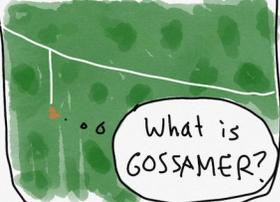
WEB of LIFE @raymondsbrain

In the butterfly morning
light...



What is
Butter?

A gossamer thread...



What is
GOSSAMER?

stretches through
spacetime...



What is
RELATIVITY?

across my path.



What
the
Fu_u_u_u

STILL MISERABLE @raymondsbrain

Set in the same area
as Hugo's epic,
LES MISÉRABLES



shows modern
reactive police



clashing with
desperate youth



How will it end?



Lapsed Biologist @raymondsbrain

Beautiful day to explore the low tide



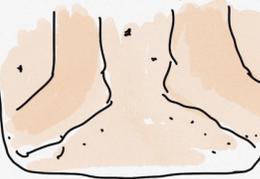
Now, instead of surveying the biodiversity, I



just watch my kid and the dog run around,



letting the sand exfoliate my feet.



In THE DARWIN AFFAIR @raymondsbrain

PRINCE CONSORT ALBERT
was into evolution -

I enjoyed
'On the
Origin of
Species'



SIR RICHARD OWEN
was NOT.

Dinosaurs
died in
the Flood!



An asymptomatic
carrier could unwittingly
spread TYPHOID.



You could send a
severed ear by post.



Careful Celebration @raymondsbrain

Met with friends
for a birthday
in a park



appropriately
distanced,



eating individual
lunches.



It's the thought
that counts.



THE PIPES ARE CALLING @raymondsbrain

The kitchen sink clogged

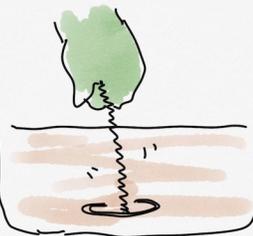


So I prayed to the god of flowing water.

After consulting YouTube, I tried a PLUNGER..



a SNAKE...



and the GARBURATOR..



and my prayers were answered!

COMFORT FOOD @raymondsbrain

MIDNIGHT DINER
opens from midnight,



attracting people
with particular tastes



and less common
occupations...



like the manga
artist who has
run out of ideas.



which I mention for no
particular reason.

3 or more Rs @raymondsbrain

Ransack rooms for refuse.



Respect recycling receivers



Return repeatedly



Realize how much remains...



REDISTRIBUTION @raymondsbrain

I am trying to cut down on my books



But public libraries are not accepting donations now.



So I've been using little libraries



And washing my hands afterward.



Disease Control
comics

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Batman

stay home!



Bat Social Distancers

Wonder Woman



Virus deflecting bracelets

Superman



Antiviral Vision

With Donald Trump as



LIGHTHOUSE PARK @raymonds brain

On our rare family hike,
we saw a lighthouse,



which reminded me
of Annihilation;

a slug,



that looked like poop;

and a deer, chased



by a dog, off leash.

I was here 20 years ago,



but it seemed FLATTER then.

A LOT ON THE LOT @raymondsbrain

My neighbours have
a playground for their
two kids out front,



tenants downstairs,



Bees on their workshop,



and chickens in the back



but at least no frat parties.

ON THE ROAD @ raymonds brain

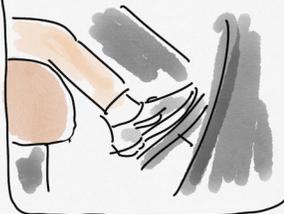
My daughter just got her learner's permit.



Even though I know she is smart and careful



and has good motor control,



it is still TERRIFYING!

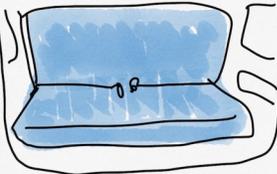


Art as life @raymondsbrain

REPRODUCTION
explored -



Gender



Race



Wealth

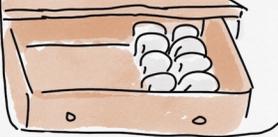


SEW and SEW @rahmondsbrain

Holes have appeared
in many of my socks.



But buying new ones
did not seem essential.



So I YouTube'd 'darning'



It can be
oddy satisfying

AMERICAN PICKLE @raymondsbrain

After meeting
ancestor Herschel,
contemporary Ben
learns to -



respect Herschel's
abilities,



acknowledge his
limitations,



and find common
ground.

