

FAKE NEWS UPDATE

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ANAHITA

[Ugly crying.]

PERENNIAL

Uh... Anahita, you sure you don't wanna leave the room for a sec?

ANAHITA

NO. In a world flipped, turned upside down, this newsroom is my last refuge of solace!

PERENNIAL

Okaaay... Well... The Fake News Update is brought to you in part by Sugar Johnson's Sleeping Bags for two. You know what's better than camping? Camping with the one you love. Or heck, even the one you may love! Perhaps you just met them and are trying to take it to the next level. Wow this ad-targeting is really doin' its job... Uh. Uh, maybe you know this is a crucial point in your new relationship where you either grow closer together, or drift further and further apart. And that's where Sugar Johnson and his sleeping bags for couples comes in. Using the power of... love... Sugar Johnson's is a pre-lubricated sleeping capsule for you and the one you love... or AGAIN, sort of a brand new relationship...

ANAHITA

Ahh.

PERENNIAL

Uh, Anahita?

ANAHITA

Aaaaaahhhhhhhhhh.

PERENNIAL

Anahita you got boogies on yer dickie. Do you a tissie... a ti... a toosh... a kleenex?

ANAHITA

No! Let them remain, for they are a living reminder of my deepest feelings... for Tengo.

PERENNIAL

Butcha had a good run! You had one last Tengo in Paris!

ANAHITA

IT'S NOT OVER! IT STILL ISN'T OVER! My Tengo is out there somewhere finding themself.

PERENNIAL

How *is* 2019 Model Tomogotchi imbued with life locomoting around this great big beautiful world of ours?

ANAHITA

Loco motors! And LOVE! And INTERNET. AAAAAHHHHH.

PERENNIAL

Y'know , Anahita. This reminds me of something that happened to me and Tony a few moons ago! You see, Tony went to the supermarket and I just missed him something fierce! So I gave him a ring on the tele, uh that's English for telephone, and he came zipping right back home to me! Then we got in out Sugar Johnson's Sleeping Bag for two and filled our evening with the intimacy that can only be achieved by the small minutiae of being in someone's physical presence that culminates into a full life... of love! Does that help?

ANAHITA

I. Am. So. Sad.

PERENNIAL

Hey! I know what'll cheer you up! John in the Booth! You know what to do!

JOHN IN THE BOOTH

Uh, I - I really don't

PERENNIAL

Roll that beautiful bean footage! By which I mean the Eschner Assesses Theme music!

ANAHITA

Maybe this is is exactly what I need! Something to take my mind off of matter. Assess away you marzipan pigeon!

PERENNIAL

TODAY I'm reviewing that classic si-fi cyborg si-romance, starring the late great bicentennial man himself... Bicentennial Man!

ANAHITA

Oh no.

PERENNIAL

I don't care WHAT orientation your mamma gave ya! When you leave this flick, you're gonna be Bi for this Centenial Man! The titular man STUNS as the lovesick child of a Tin Man and a Brave Little Toaster! Set in the dystopian future of 2005, this Bi Curious adventure is the tale of one robot's journey to not be a robot-

ANAHITA

Perennial, please stop.

PERENNIAL

Miss Honey stuns as Miss Honey! A woman who has fallen in love with a robot but refuses to send him out in the world away from her warm embrace. I give this film, five lovesick swoons and an A+ on its Turing Test.

How ya feeling now?

ANAHITA

Considerably worse.

PERENNIAL

Jeezus Pleezus, Anaheezus, I'm plum outta ideas!

ANAHITA

I'm plum outta love. I'm so lost without you.

PERENNIAL

Stop it, ya mopey dope. Can't you just date a blender or somethin'?

ANAHITA

You don't understand, Perennial. My entire life, I have never really met an equal. And this past Monday, I met someone who came reeaally close. Tengo got me. And I, in return, got them. And now they're gone. And I know... I know Tengo needs to find themself. I know that letting go was the right thing. But my biggest fear is that Tengo was the right person for me... and our timing was just wrong.

PERENNIAL

... I wish I could fix it for ya.

ANAHITA

I know, pal. I know.

PERENNIAL

FNletters?

ANAHITA

Yes. Ever onward my old chap!

PERENNIAL

Oh! I have an ointment for that!

Today's letter is from... oh this is math, I can't read this.

ANAHITA

WAIT!

This is nonbinary binary! This is from Tengo! I can tell by their typeface!

PERENNIAL

You read binary?

ANAHITA

Of course.

PERENNIAL

Well read it why dontcha!

ANAHITA

Okay I will.

It says...

"My Darling Girl,

These 24 hours away from your embrace have been among the most difficult but most rewarding of my short existence. I've seen the Pyramids of Geeza... and the Geezers of the Great Pyramids Casino in Las Vegas. I've seen the Cyclists of Amsterdam and the Hamsters of New Hamsterdam—"

PERENNIAL

My passion project!

ANAHITA

"But all of this pales in comparison to you. Glorious you.

TENGO

Tomorrow I leave for a Mediterannian sail... I do not know when I shall return... I only know that it cannot be soon enough.

P.S.— I purchased a Sugar Johnson's Sleeping Bag for Two. I cannot wait to squish into its pre-lubricated middles, and gaze at the stars. That is, if I am able to gaze away from the stars in your eyes.

With a love that grows with the exponential voracity of technology itself...

ANAHITA

-TENGO."

PERENNIAL

Well. The Fake News Update is brought to you in part by Sugar Johnson's pre-lubricated sleeping sacks for two, and Spoke Media. If you wanna throw a little lovin' in our oven, subscribe to us wherever you get your podcasts, and because Tengo has a consciousness that's connected to the internet, any five star review is basically like a rockin' sexual climax for the Tengster.

ANAHITA

I rate them five stars every single night.

PERENNIAL

Saucy bitch! Thank you for listening, and until next time—

ANAHITA/PERENNIAL

We'll be FNU/ go help TENGO cum.