

Chronic | Usability Review

Name _____

Date _____

Purpose: This work offers new ways of reading. Your comments will help us decide how to present it to readers. This review will take between 10 and 30 minutes. You cannot “hurt” our “feelings”; truthful answers help us the most. Thank you so much for your help!

These twelve pages are part of a larger work. If you like, you may shuffle through them before you begin. (The numbers on the back are only for convenience; you can read them in any order.)

>> **Start reading** anywhere you like. Pretend you are reading the way you usually do (not reviewing). When you would normally STOP, please just stop, and continue to the questions below.

1. For this first reading, check all the pages you read parts of, and the page you were reading when you stopped (or the last page you read).

	[Key words in the page...]	I read some of this page <small>[check all that apply]</small>	I read all of this page <small>[check all that apply]</small>	I stopped during (or before) this one <small>[check only one]</small>
1	Stubbornness defines me (green)			
2	Stubbornness is essential for elit (blue)			
3	You who have lost...			
4	That last day...			
5	I was angry...			
6	I wanted the trappings of adulthood			
7	Unexpected places			
8	Selective perception			
9	Mirror worlds			
10	We could not see the ripples			
11	...CATS			
12	Exercises			
13	CODEX			

2. When you stopped, why did you stop? Please check all that apply.

Content not my kind of thing

Unknown characters were a problem (please explain: _____)

I was confused (please explain: _____)

I was not interested

Other reason (please explain: _____)

3. Based on what you've read, what is your overall impression of this work?

4. If you deliberately skipped any of the pages, which ones did you skip, and why? (You may write something free-form or use this chart...)

	[Key words in the page...]	I skipped this on purpose... [check all that apply]	Because...
1	Stubbornness defines me (green)		
2	Stubbornness is essential for elit (blue)		
3	You who have lost...		
4	That last day...		
5	I was angry...		
6	I wanted the trappings of adulthood		
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5. Please pick any one page. On that page, try to read a sentence that includes the special characters. (Their meanings are on the CODEX.)

This is what the special characters look like:



How did these characters change your reaction to the content?

6. What are your impressions of the colors?

7. Do you have any other advice/reactions for us?

8. If you were going to read a memoir like this, would you be interested in (please check all that apply):

- Reading on a printed page (like the ones you just worked with)
- Using an online viewer that would let you rotate and zoom, and that would decode the special characters if you asked for that
- Reading in a book
- Reading in a full-color book with augmented reality (AR) links to an electronic copy online
- Hearing Deena read the paragraphs aloud, roughly in order (like a “book on tape”)

9. Who do you think is the primary audience for this work?

But enough about us! **Let's hear about you!**

[Privacy assurance: information you supply will be read only by Deena and her editor]

A. Year you were born: _____

B. Your sign of the Zodiac (if you know it): _____

C. Outside of work or school, why do you read?

- For enjoyment / entertainment
- To learn things and discover new information
- Because my friends are reading it

D. Please check all of the applicable answers.

- I do not own/use a smart phone
 - By choice
 - Because... [you may write here...]
- I own/use a smart phone and on it I regularly use:
 - Apps and games
 - The internet
 - E-mail

E. Which of these best describes your use of the internet?

- Heavy user; have to tear myself away
- When I need it (about ____ hours per week)
- Zero or almost zero

F. If you spend time on any of the following sites, please check which ones:

- Tumblr
- Pinterest
- YouTube
- Facebook
- Twitter
- reddit
- deviantart
- blogs [which ones?]
- other:
- other:
- other:
- other:
- other:

G. Please share the names of at least three artists (musicians, video or visual artists, writers, any live performers) that you like and recommend we check out:

H. If we have more questions, how would you prefer us to contact you? (Please check all that apply.)

- Please do not contact me.
- Via this phone number:
- Via e-mail:
- Please let me know (using the preceding contact information) when this work is published.

Thank you again for your help!

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