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Personal

1. Where did you grow up? Wilmington, De/ Philadelphia, PA
2. College(s) attended/ or high school Temple University/ East Carolina University
3. Majors Asian Studies/ English
4. Best college memories Independent study of Euripides, and a summer tour with a hardcore band
5. Favorite quote(s)
“I have always imagined that Paradise will be a kind of library.” –Borges
“Any general statement is like a cheque drawn on a bank. Its value depends on what is there to meet it.” – Ezra Pound

Hobbies (Be creative)

1. Identify 2 or 3 things you like to do in your free time:
1. Reading, 2. Latin Dancing, but I am a horrible dancer; 3. Seeing underground bands
2. Books that inspired you and why:
When I was young, I was mostly moved by authors who dealt with characters who were in some way disconnected from their surroundings. Authors such as Herman Hesse, Knut Hamsun, Henry Miller, Arthur Rimbaud, and Franz Kafka meant the world to me as a teenager, for they seemed to capture the same experiences I imagined that I was going through. Lately I have been inspired by works that attempt to re-formulate the possibility of radical politics. Here I am thinking of Zizek's *In Defense of Lost Causes*; a work such as this gives me hope that we can find a counter to the prevailing narrative of global capitalism as the last stage of history.
3. Favorite movie
Who could pick one favorite movie? There are so many wonderful films; of course, they may be even be more terrible films.
4. Favorite TV shows
The Simpsons
It's Always Sunny In Philadelphia
5. Music pleasures
Old School Rap, Hardcore, Americana, and Latin