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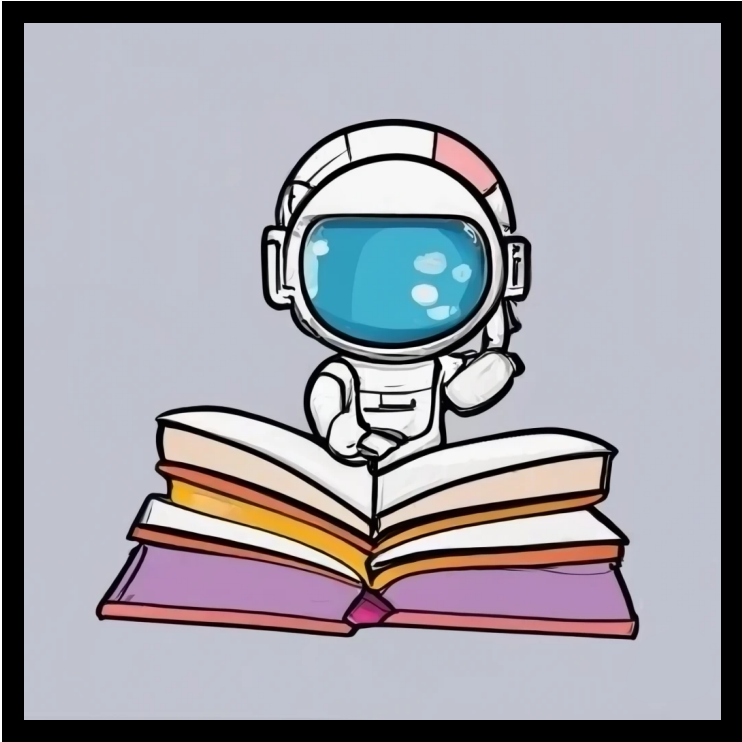
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What will this library look like in 2030? Let's paint a vision to go for.



A digital library of electronic books that can be printed out and bookbound as physical copies, with entry-level introductory material where "there's something for everyone", and the possibility to find your own way (as the autodidact you are) from book to book onto the more advanced tomes. Before you know it, you recommended some gardening booklets to your grandma and now, just some months later, she's quite knowledgeable about all things permaculture. Libraries can do that. But hey, don't blame the librarian if your grandma gets beaten down by cops at some anti-GMO protest.

That's the **basic idea** behind the library. Not the part of having your grandma beaten by cops, but the other part: weaving a trail of books that links trivial knowledge to more

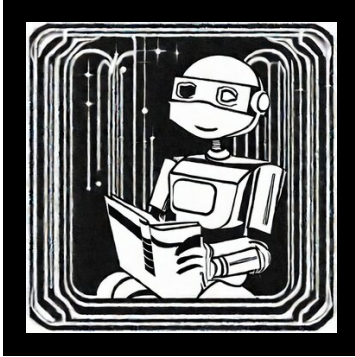
transcendent topics, right up to the Philosophy Section (in most libraries you can't read the sign that says Philosophy because it's usually covered in dust, but it's generally the top-most bookshelf, right up close to the ceiling, the one with the spiderwebs). So, if I manage to make your grandma into a stoic before having her beaten by cops, then hey, maybe at least she won't care much.



Let's go back to the 2030 thought experiment. Here's one thing about this decade: people don't read books anymore. Or so I've been told by people who don't read books anymore,

or have never picked up the habit in the first place. But it's true that a book that has an audiobook version available will be more versatile, like a hybrid vehicle. But from the point of view of a librarian, audiobooks (and videobooks, and ebooks, and social media pages, etcetera) are but cherries on top of a

book, like Boy Scout badges on its vest that make this into a **multimedia library**.



And just by taking a look at the last couple of months of 2023, one can foresee that the decade will be marked by the **AI** gold rush. You can ask some AI chatbot for video ideas, and

have it write the video title, description and script. You can get an automated voice to read it out into a handy audio file, and make a video out of it with some tool that makes an animation that looks like some famous person, fictitious character or fictitious person is reading that script. I do envision these tools being useful in the library, just as I do envision them being used by those who work against its ideals: the people that would rather see your grandma watching addictive junk on TikTok instead of reading Marcus Aurelius and growing her own parsley.

But the thing about libraries is that they're

a **social** place, with reading groups, events, workshops, talks, courses, study groups, and people that frequent it as well. A place to meet people, share experiences and make friends.

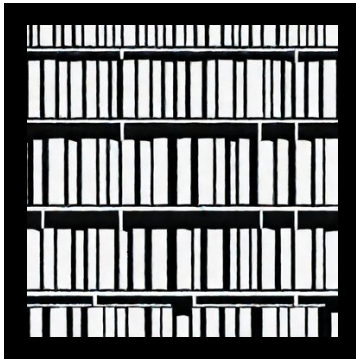


If I were to day-dream about this library's 2030, it would be not just a website but also a physical library. And as its books are freely available and unbound by Copyright,

you can print out and bookbind your own physical versions of its tomes, and even of its bookshelves. Reading groups, watch parties and workshops all around the world, inspired by the material found in this open library, would be beautiful sign of success. Because a book can inspire many real things, of the sort that we call "IRL" or "AFK", as if these acronyms were codenames for containment units to house such beautiful anomalies. Sharing these books is strictly encouraged.

The slippery slope that takes from a book-

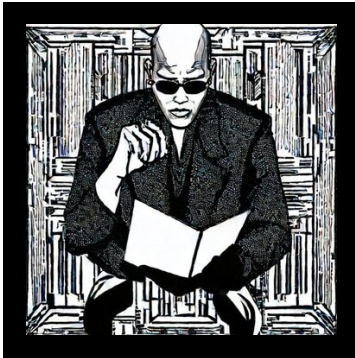
let on how to grow your own parsley to Marcus Aurelius' Meditations is but one example of this: when you enter a library and read book A, then book B, then book C, you trace our own personal curriculum for your own unique career. From its Introductory Section, that houses beginner-friendly short books, up to... where? Well, up to its Advanced Section, that houses expert-level tomes that illumine the highest spheres of human wisdom, of course!



I got carried away. But I'm trying to paint the picture of learning material that's organized along a **spectrum**, from the beginner-friendly to the more advanced ones. Tell

your friend to check out some short book on how to play guitar, and wait and see: he'll go on to find Stephan Kinsella's book Against Intellectual Property and making copyright-free music. From vegetarian recipe booklets (or online memes) to books (physical ones, even!)

on natural health. From a short writeup on how to meditate to relieve stress, up to Buddhist scriptures. From a child-friendly booklet on "who makes the money" up to Carroll Quigley's History of the World In Our Time. Except that Quigley's book won't be on my library because it's copyrighted, but you get the idea.



That's what the conspiracy-theory crowd online calls "Red Pill". But I would posit that the spectrum from Blue Pill to Red Pill (in this context, from beginner-friendly to deeper material) has stages or checkpoints along the way. If I were a Conspiracy Pharmacist, I'd tell people to start with the **Black Pill**. I'll explain myself.

I'll take The Matrix movies as common knowledge, with their analogy of "taking a Red Pill" meaning learning truths about the world, even if they be hard to accept. In the jargon,

"taking the Black Pill" refers to the fall into nihilism and hopelessness after learning about some of the bad news on geopolitics and related topics. But, in my opinion, it's best to start by the bad news, to become aware of the *real* problems that humanity faces, as opposed to the relatively unimportant problems aimed at by this or that social movement. Once free of that, the mind can start to learn about the solutions. And that's the **White Pill**.



The White Pill usually refers to informed optimism in the face of Solutions to such Problems, Alternatives to the Doom. The Good News come after the Bad ones. So,

the Black Pill Section of our library will host the nitty gritty details on the problems we face: technocracy, eugenics, civil warlies, psychographic propaganda and the like. After frequenting the Black Pill Section for long enough, you'll find the White Pill Section

quite refreshing. There we'll learn about permaculture, spontaneous order, decentralized technologies and the like. A boost-pack of hope. But that's not enough.



Enter the **Gold Pill** (as defined by researcher and educator Mark Passio). When it comes to this learning journey, the Gold Pill refers to the realization that a mere change of allegiances is not enough. Protesting for permaculture instead of protesting for some political party won't cut it. Ceasing to be an armchair activist of the mainstream sort to become an armchair activist of the "red-pilled" sort won't cut it at all. It takes internal work, a conscious development of habits and opinions *at the personal level* to make oneself apt to, cheesy as it may sound, *be the change* one wants to see. That's quite a lot better than being the thing one proseltizes against. This self-improvement journey is what I'm calling

the Gold Pill, and in our library it will be aided by material on such concepts as shadow work, public speaking and self-development in general. Anything you need to find your mojo and start helping other people.



Only then can we speak of **Red Pills**. As the saying goes, to know and not to do is not to know. In our analogy, to be red-pilled and not be dispensing Red Pills is to not be red-pilled. But after the Gold Pill process, we're all set, and ready to go. The Red Pill section won't consist of Black Pill bad news, nor White Pill good news, nor Gold Pill self-development. The Red Pill Section is about action. Freedom Cells, Counter-Economics, the Permagora, the creation of communities of interest and (most of all) of educational outreach projects such as this library.

What's after that, then? Well, I don't know, that's how far I've charted the journey. I can

share my progress right up to that point. After that, I'll try to make the library I just described a reality, for as of now it's in diapers. And by doing so I'll hopefully earn the company of others who are in the same path, but after their prescription of Black, White, Gold and Red Pills they won't be making a library (because everybody, except me, seems to know that books are obsolete), no, they'll make documentaries, podcasts, vlogs, conferences, workshops, schools, biodiesel bikes, clay pots, free software, and so many things I wouldn't have thought of.

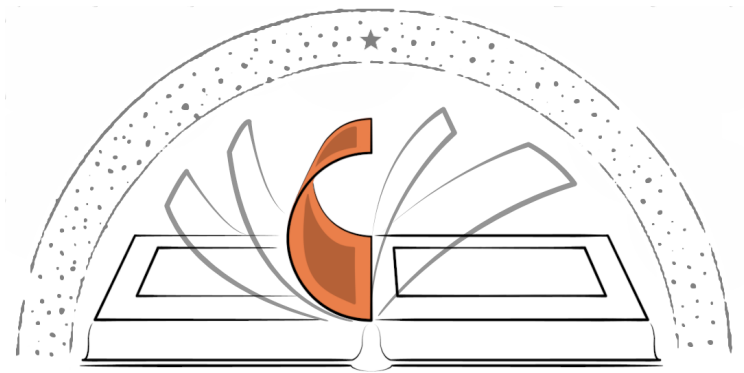


I write. It's the thing I could be doing all day and not get tired (or feel guilty afterwards). After finding that out through the self development process we speak of as Gold

Pill, I set out to use my aptitudes and energies to help others find their place in this effort to use Solutions solve Problems. And by 2030 we

may get to live by each other in a community of interest, reaching out by whatever means even to people who, oblivious, live on nothing but Blue Pills. Sounds like a good life to live, and a good community to live it in. I can be the librarian. How about you? See you there in 2030.

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