Twitter Thread by Somesanity



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Rereading Lord of the Rings 10 years later, only to realize that the Ring is my smartphone.

While y'all Gollums were twitching & dribbling over your Precious, my friends in RL were less than impressed by my finding.

The "likes" whisper and beckon.

My partner: *slapping my hand from the phone all night*

Me: *flashes of anger convulsing across my face* what business is it of yours? It is mine, I tell you. My own. My Precious!

When I was in college, I had a real nightmare about the day everyone gets a device. At that moment, an evil alien face will appear on all our screens laughing mercilessly in our face at the success of it's conspiracy-- to rule us all through our now undetachable tablets. #uncanny

Here's a sobering fact y'all: this tweet got 1000+ likes, but the same FB post only has 4.

Let's see. RL friends were harvesting grapes, hiking, throwing BDay parties, drinking on terraces, going to classical concerts, Latin night clubbing.

Me? *plug charger next to toilet*

Fellow Gollums. While this tweet reached 3000+ overnight, my brag-post about it on FB still has zero likes.

This is the end of the world as we know it. We're all far down the deep side.

Partner: ...friend giving us a guest bed, I'll check today
Me: mmhm
P: ..need a new washing machine...hello?
M: mmhm
P: are you there?
M: so many likes.
P: did you submit the insurance claim?

M: 4000 likes soon
P: you're late for brunch
M: someone said I won Twitter
P: get out

Partner: so you're just rereading your own tweets over and over?

Me: well, you can understand that right? It's like smelling my fingers after scratching myself, or secretly savoring my own farts.

Partner: No.

Those who liked or retweeted this: I hope you have sensible online privacy whatevers set-ups, because this tweet is becoming a public list of addicts ripe for exploitation.

You guys. I was just trying to reread a good fat book and now I've become the loathsome character of my own story, hissing softly over my thumbs all day. Let me go!!!!!

May the four winds & eight seas bear witness. I shall mute this tweet after it reaches 10k.

We are a Hardy bunch & while the Darkness may corrupt us, Real Life friends show that it is possible to live & prosper without the phone.

A teary & early farewell

(sail to the West)

And there it is. 10K. Twitter Gollums, you've shown me that there is life beyond Real Friends ("I saw your post but didn't understand it"). Thank you for the entertaining 2 days, happy Bday again to Bilbo/Frodo, and may you all save your eyes from future blindness.