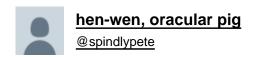
Twitter Thread by hen-wen, oracular pig





i have to head to the grocery store for my fortnightly supplies run in a minute here and i'm trying to formulate a plan for if that pack of anti-mask goons shows up who have been roaming the state livestreaming themselves pestering people in grocery stores

i'm sure the store itself would try to keep them out but what if i'm the unlucky shopper wiping down my cart in the lobby right as they show up and start causing a scene before the cops come

i'm not even remotely scared of them but i don't really want an assault charge so is there a way i can ruin just their video? can i play copyrighted disney music on my phone really loud or something

it's just a group of horrible old conspiracy theorist ladies and one or two gigantic nazi biker thugs and they're not going to hit a white woman on camera, i won't be in danger from anything but the germs

if they are in fact streaming live is there anything i could verbally communicate to their audience directly that would encourage them to turn off the stream and not donate to the streamers? "these people are scam artists and you are being scammed by them" that sort of thing

brian said i should just abandon my cart and hustle out and wait in the car for them to leave but i don't like the feeling of being chased out of my own neighborhood store! that's MY store! they're the ones who should leave

probably the funniest thing to do is just pretend they aren't there and continue shopping around them totally unbothered. if they follow me ask them a question about what kind of papayas i should get and just refuse to acknowledge anything out of the ordinary is happening

them: i see you're wearing a mask, you dumb fat bitch, you're sheeple and it's a plandemic!

me: oh i like your shoes! where did you get those? those look really comfortable

them: i bet you're a socialist muzzle nazi!

me: so do you have any plans for Valentine's Day

i worked with toddlers for many years so i can just not engage with their escalating emotional intensity. i'm not worried i'll lose it and start screaming. i could try sportscasting like janet lansbury lol. "oh you're feeling upset right now! you have a lot of mad feelings!"

loris Malaguzzi tells us there are 1000 languages of childhood. maybe i can encourage them to paint a picture of their angry feelings or sculpt their resentment from butter

anyway now brian's coming with me even tho he's supposed to be pruning the apple trees and he can deal with them. silly to have to bring tormund giantsbane to the damn green grocers with me to prevent harassment but here we are

these people aren't going to stop and eventually there's going to be an actual all-out brawl in one of these stores. that's what they want and that's what they're going to get. somebody's going to shove one of them and things will rapidly escalate

we'll be lucky if it ends in citizens arrests and some black eyes and no gunshots

in the parlance of the preschool tho, "hurting bodies is not available right now"