

Hello!



Who am I?

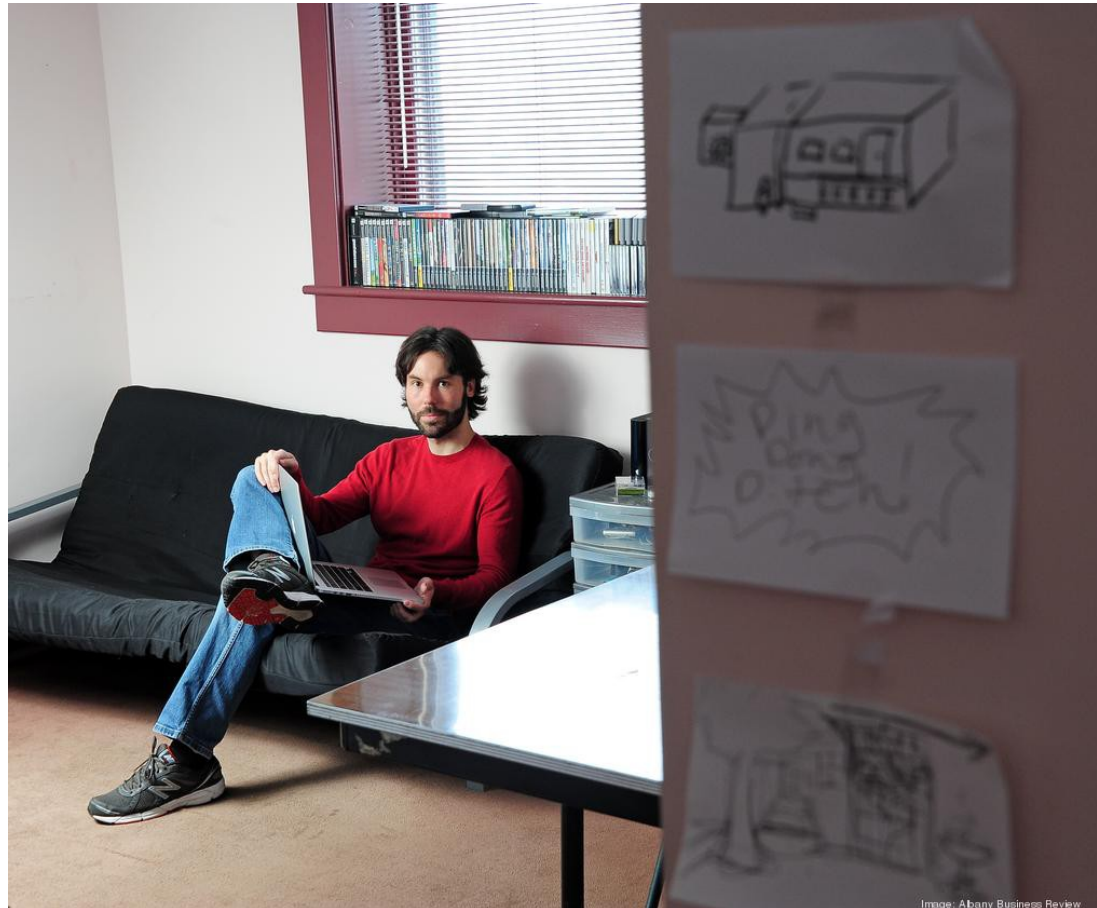


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Who am I?



What do I do?

I'm a Game Developer at



Spoony Bird

I'm also the Founder of

T V G S
tech valley game space

What else have I done?



Game Designer at **tag games™**

I helped make these...

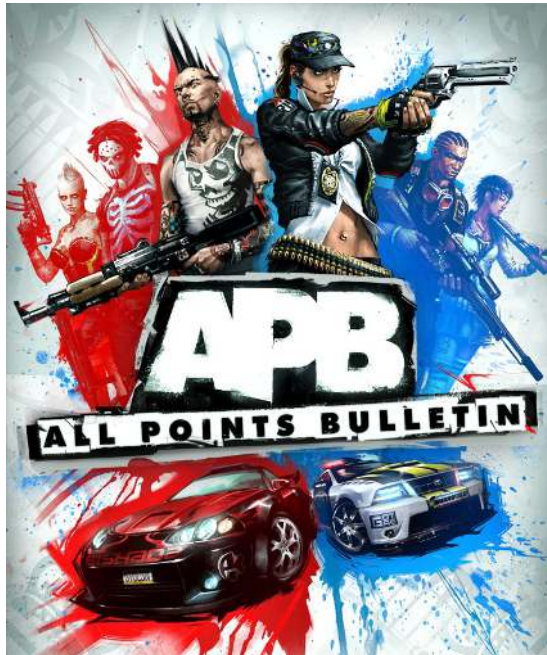
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What else have I done?

AI Programmer at

realtime
worlds



What else have I done?



Why am I here?

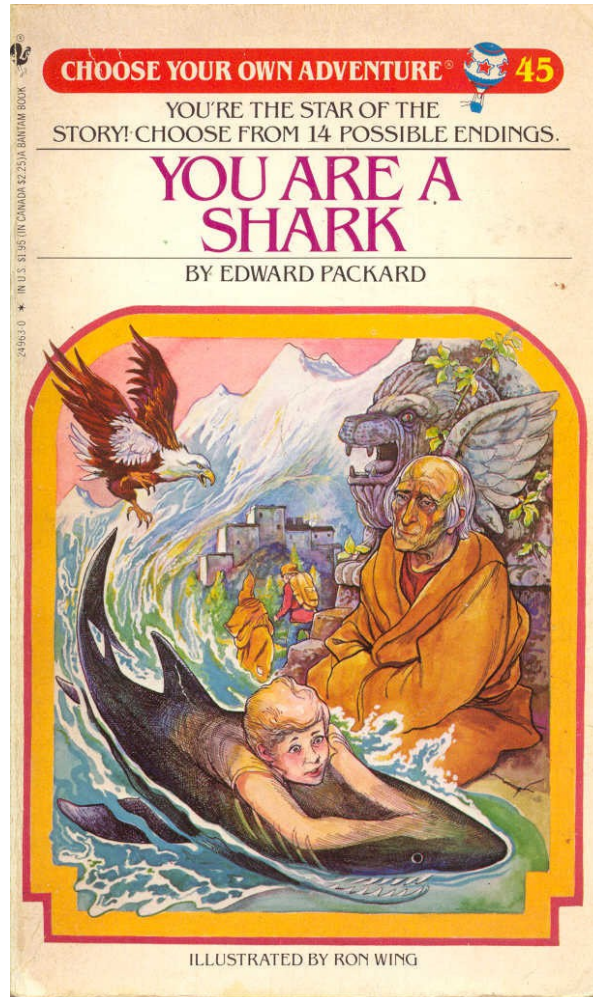
To teach you how to make
visual novels!

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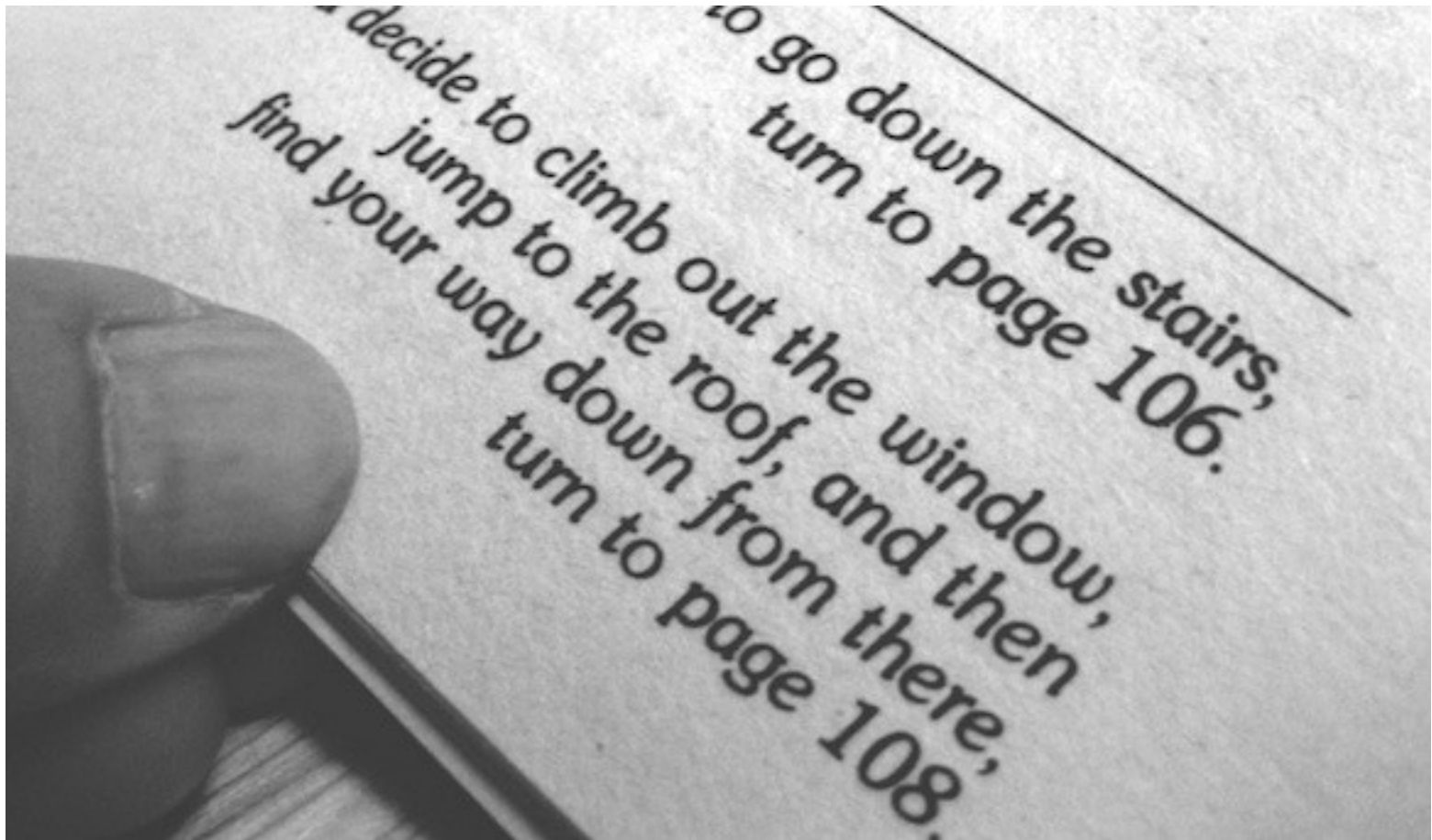
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Stories with multiple paths/outcomes
based on your own choices

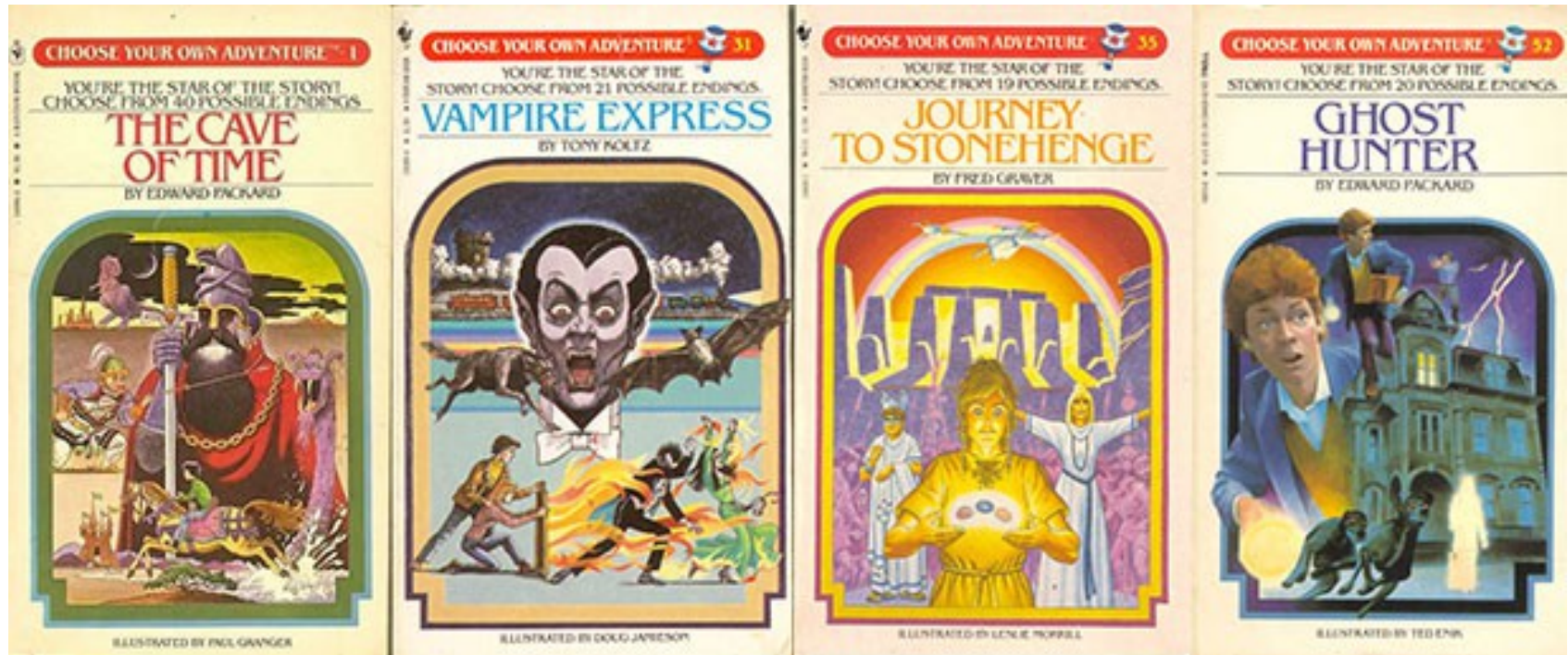
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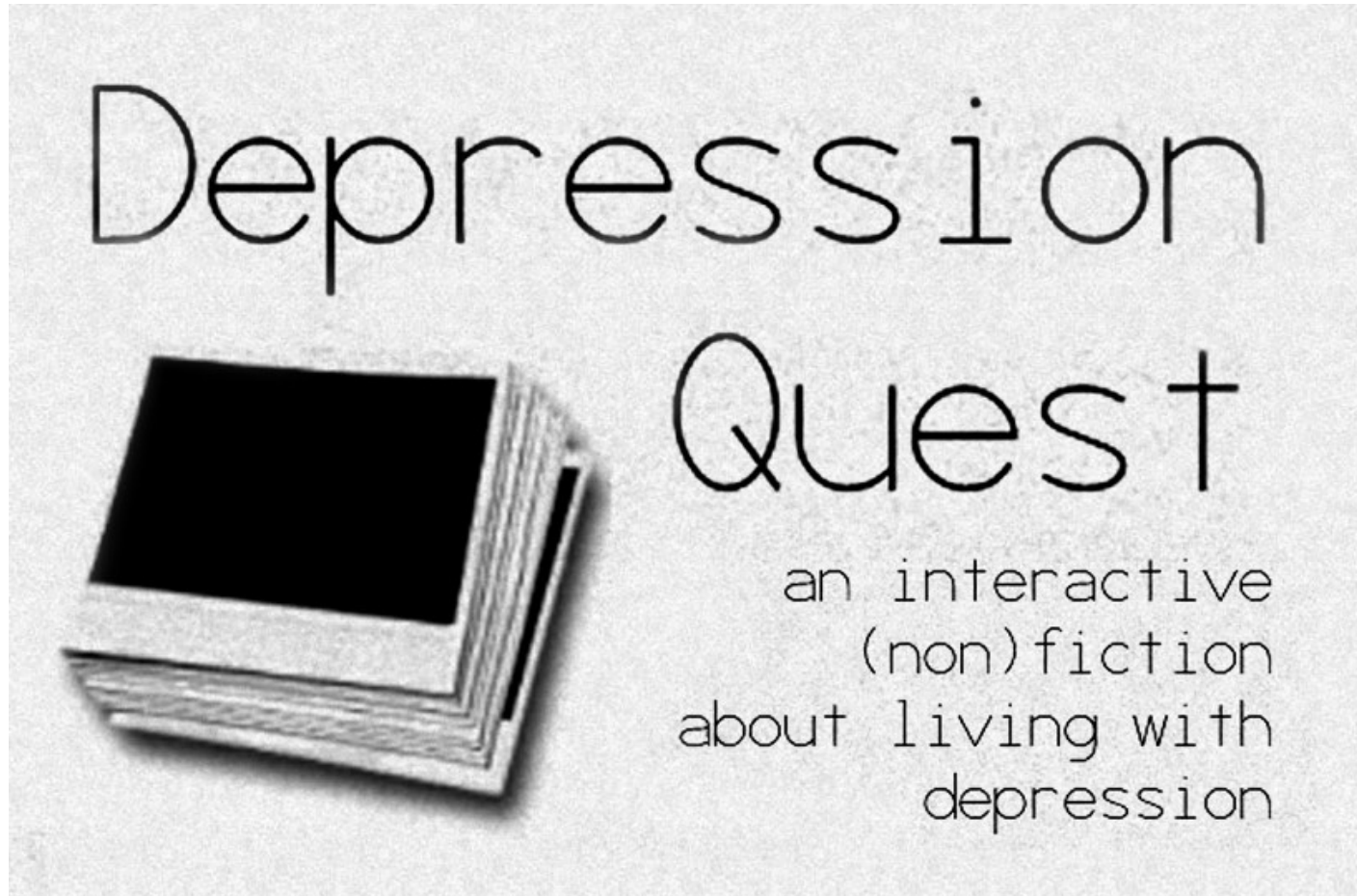
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What are some of the different types of interactive fiction?

Types of interactive fiction

Text Adventures

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Opening the brown sack reveals:
```

```
A clove of garlic.
```

```
A lunch.
```

```
> take lunch
```

```
Taken.
```

```
> take garlic
```

```
Taken.
```

```
> look around
```

```
I don't understand that.
```

```
> look
```

```
You are in the kitchen of the white house. A table seems to have  
been used recently for the preparation of food. A passage leads to  
the west, and a dark staircase can be seen leading upward. To the  
east is a small window which is open.
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```
On the table is an elongated brown sack, smelling of hot peppers.
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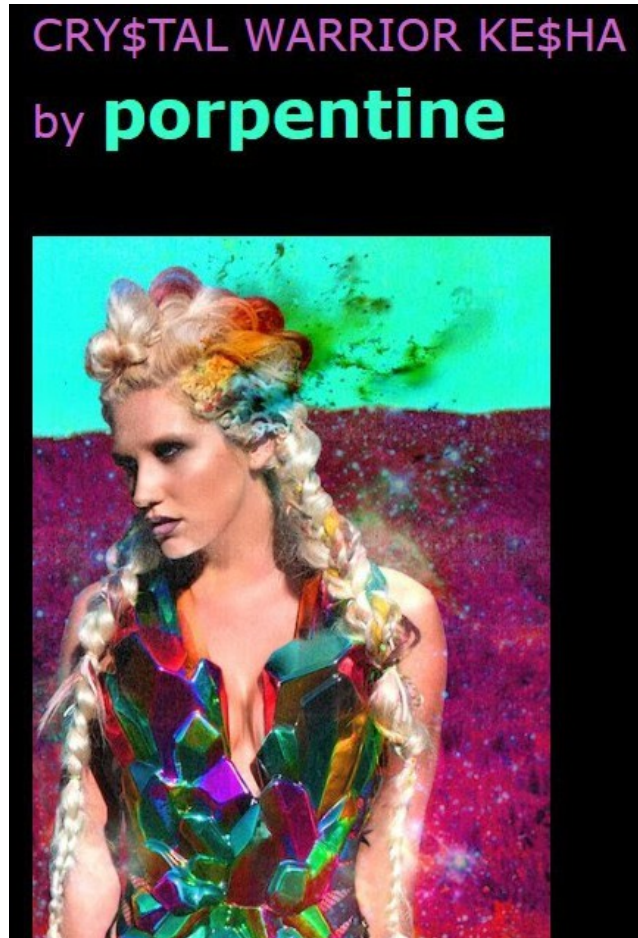
```
> go up
```

```
It is pitch dark. You are likely to be eaten by a grue.
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```
> go down|
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Types of interactive fiction

Hypertext Fiction



You focus on

the shimmering crystals you wear

the glitter pulsating in your bloodstream

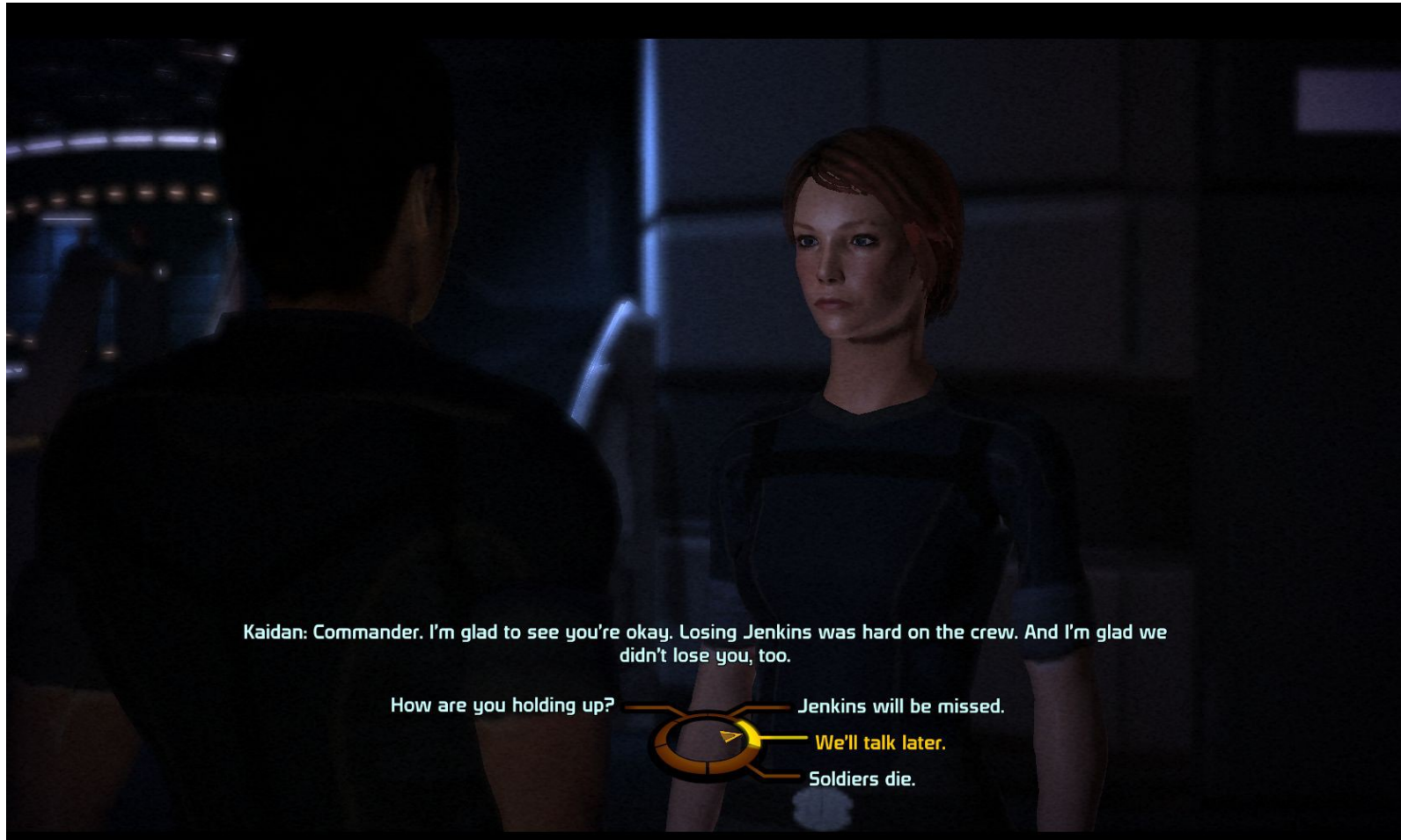
Types of interactive fiction

Adventure Games



Types of interactive fiction

Role-Playing Games



Types of interactive fiction

Visual Novels



What is a visual novel?

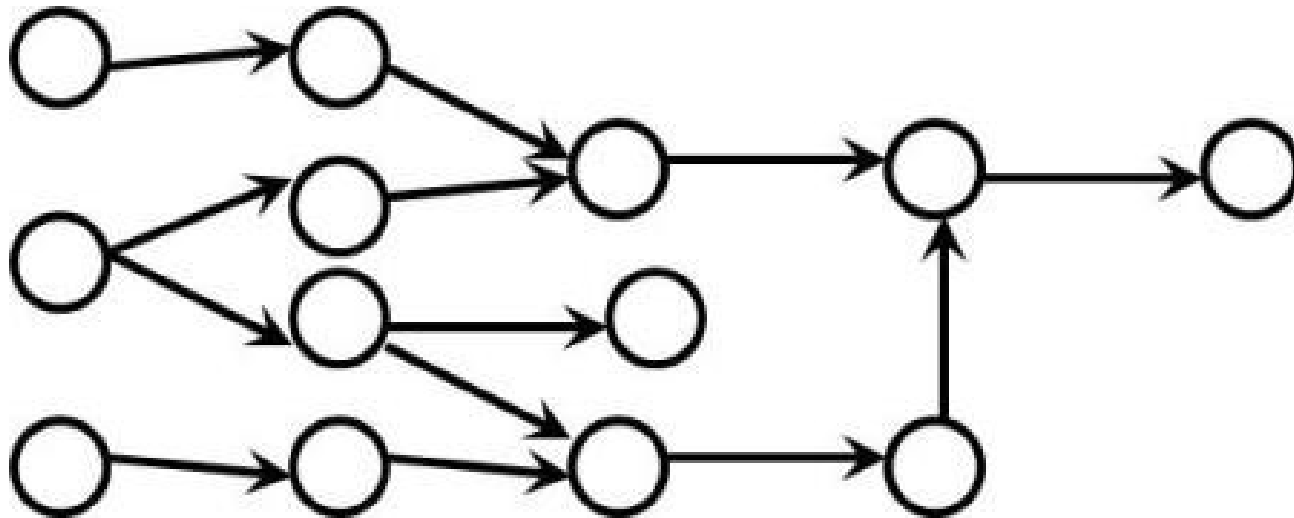
Common elements of visual novels

Focus on story, dialogue, character interactions and relationships



Common elements of visual novels

Menu-driven choices
and branching paths



Common elements of visual novels

Replay factor: players want to explore multiple different paths



Common elements of visual novels

Character stats



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Puzzles



Common elements of visual novels

Resource management



What are some of the more popular types of visual novels?

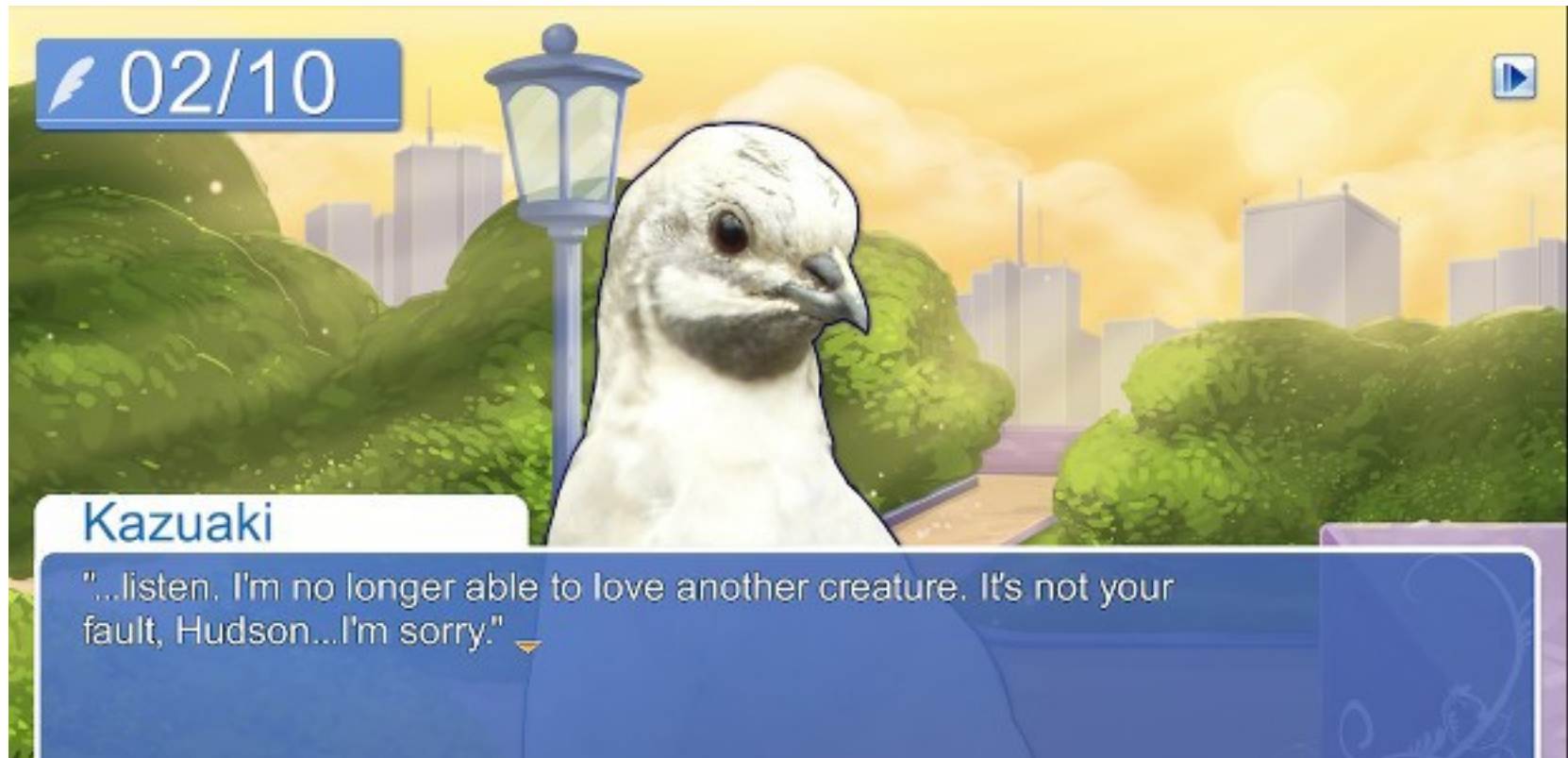
Visual novel types

Mystery



Visual novel types

Dating / Romance



Visual novel types

Social simulation



Encountering: Alice Beadle Sourwine

Decisions made by the International Monetary Fund, often called the "lender of last resort," will decisively influence the choices other international financial institutions make about whether to extend loans to a given country.

Your External Affairs Minister will advise you during this encounter.

Alice Beadle Sourwine



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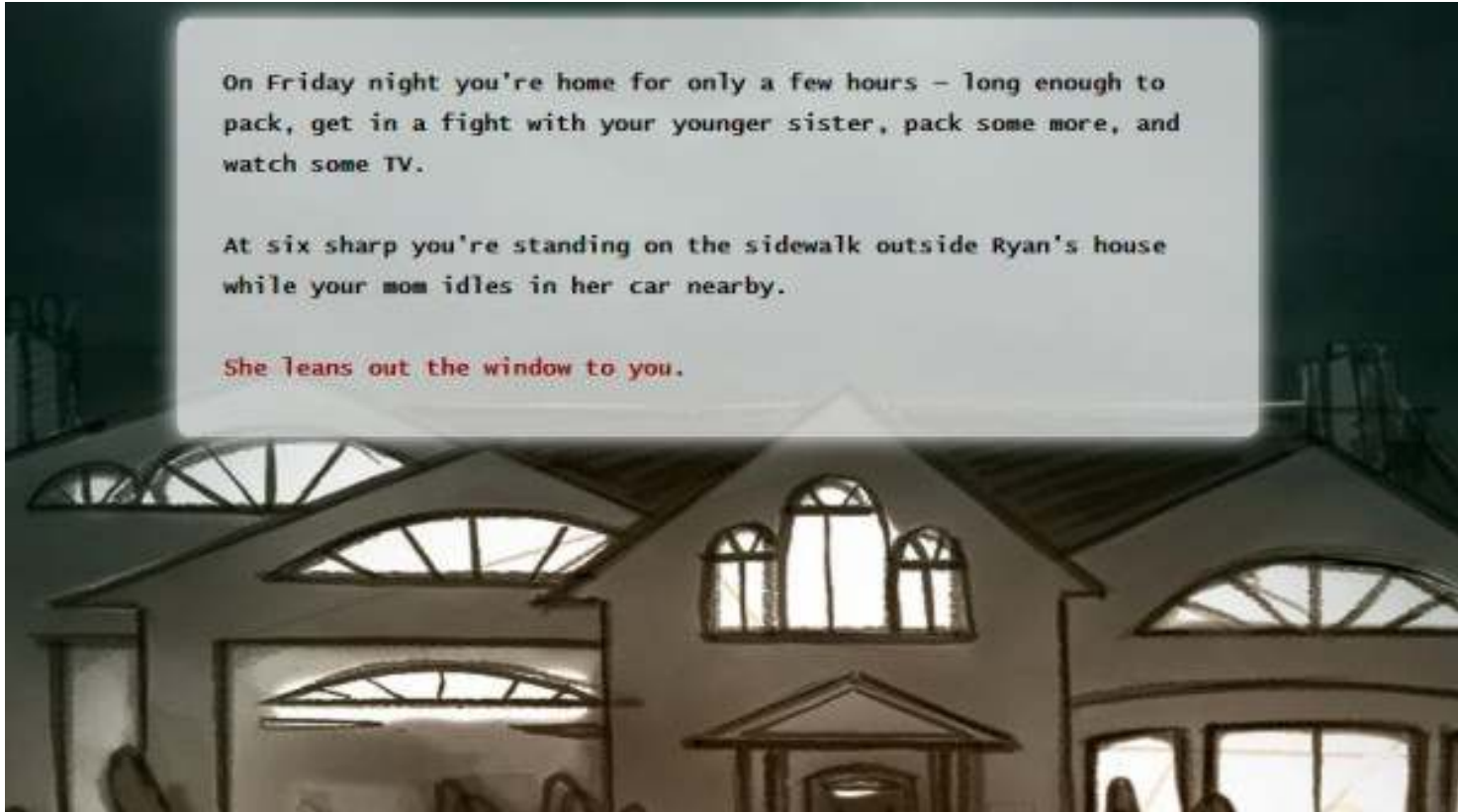
Visual novel types

Horror

On Friday night you're home for only a few hours – long enough to pack, get in a fight with your younger sister, pack some more, and watch some TV.

At six sharp you're standing on the sidewalk outside Ryan's house while your mom idles in her car nearby.

She leans out the window to you.



Visual novel types

Sci-Fi



Mika

It's linked to databases
throughout the country, so you
can find almost any information
you might need.



Visual novel types

Fantasy



Visual novel types

Historical



Visual novel types

Hybrid



What tools are used to
create interactive fiction?

Interactive fiction tools



Interactive fiction tools



Twine



Inform

inkle*writer*

Any questions?