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## ANOMALY

/əˈnɒm.ə.li/ noun

1. Something that deviates from what is standard, normal, or expected.

2. Glitch provoked by disturbances in the timestream due to frequent time travel. Can manifest itself as an object or, more rarely, a human being.

## PREVIOUSLY

While trying to find a missing anomaly named Jezebel, Teddy has her watch stolen, stranding her in a town filled with people addicted to reality-distorting headsets. After discovering that Jezebel has passed away, Teddy decides to find her watch and get back home. She refuses to get involved in the town's affairs, despite Jezebel's surviving husband Ron's plea for help. Ron wants Teddy's help to free his town from the clutches of Doc, a powerful unit supplier who's made sure the town stays addicted to his product. Unfortunately for Teddy, Doc also has plans for her...

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JOHN ADAMS, THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, ONCE WROTE: "REMEMBER, DEMOCRACY NEVER LASTS LONG."

"IT SOON WASTES, EXHAUSTS, AND MURDERS ITSELF."

"THERE NEVER WAS A DEMOCRACY YET THAT DID NOT COMMIT SUICIDE."

HUMANS ARE FASCINATING. SINCE THE BEGINNING OF TIME, THEY'VE BEEN FIGHTING TOOTH AND NAIL FOR THEIR FREEDOM. BEHEADING THEIR KINGS, OVERTHROWING THEIR EMPERORS...

...ONLY TO EAGERLY GO AND ELECT TYRANTS.

THE ROMAN SENATE, WHO SACRIFICED ITS REPUBLIC BY GIVING POMPEY DICTATORSHIP. GERMANY, WHO DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED HITLER CHANCELLOR, AND THE UNITED STATES...



...ANYWAY, LONG STORY SHORT, THE 99% GIVES THE 1% EVERYTHING, BUT THE 1% INVARIABLY CRAVES MORE, AND KEEPS FORGETTING THAT... WELL, THERE'S ONLY 1% OF THEM.

YOU'D THINK THEY'D KNOW BETTER BY NOW. YOU USE, YOU PAY!

SOON, IT'S THE LAST STRAW FOR THE 99%, WHO WILL ONLY BE APPEASED WHEN HEADS START ROLLING.

LOSER.

GOT ANYTHING YOU WANNA SAY?

HEADS ARE GONNA ROLL.

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**EIGHT HOURS EARLIER.**

**WANTED**  
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AND YOU DON'T WANT A CUT?

DO WE HAVE A DEAL?

YOU BETTER BE SURE THAT'S HER.

SHE'S WITH RON AS WE SPEAK.

WELL, YOU MADE THE RIGHT CALL, STEPHEN. YOU'RE A GOOD BOY.

JUST ANOTHER OF O'NEILL'S BASTARDS, HUH?

I'M REALLY SORRY, DOC, I--

**SLAM!**

SHM...

...I'M SORRY...

OH, SHUT UP. I'M DISAPPOINTED IN YOU.



S-SO... YOU'LL LEAVE RON AND HIS CENTER ALONE?

SURE.

I-I-- YOU--



YOU WANT ME TO WRITE IT DOWN, KID? YOU WANT A RECEIPT FOR YOUR LITTLE DEAL WITH THE DEVIL?

THIS IS HOW RON SEES ME, RIGHT?



IT'S NOT--



THERE'S NO CHANGING MY SON'S MIND. I'VE STOPPED TRYING.

I'M TERRIBLE. THE WORST. LOOK AT THE PEOPLE OF MY CITY, HAPPY, BLISSFUL, LIKE THEY HAVEN'T BEEN IN THIRTY YEARS. TERRIBLE.



BUT THANKFULLY, WE HAVE YOU. THE GOOD GUNS!

I-I...



THE TRUTH IS, YOU HYPOCRITICAL SACK OF SHIT, YOU JUMPED ON THE FIRST CHANCE TO SERVE YOUR OWN PETTY INTERESTS AND THREW TEDDY UNDER THE BUS.



ONLY SO RON CAN KEEP SAVING LIVES!

TRUTH SET ME FREE AND I'M THE LIVING PROOF.

BIG DEAL! ONE REHABILITATION, ZERO PROFIT. THAT'S NOT THE SUCCESS I WANT FOR HIM. I'M OFFERING HIM MORE THAN THAT.



HE'S NEVER--

I SAID ENOUGH! I'M BORED. GET ME THIS TEDDY PERSON AND MAYBE I'LL GIVE YOU A FEW EXTRA DAYS TO RECONSIDER JOINING ME.

THAT'S NOT THE DEAL WE AGREED ON.



DON'T OVERPLAY YOUR HAND, KID. NOW, LEAVE.



BUT PLEASE, ENJOY A LITTLE BONUS ON YOUR WAY OUT. ON ME.



IT'S NOT EVEN REAL MONEY.

UNIT COUPONS ARE BETTER THAN REAL MONEY.

I TOLD YOU I'M DONE WITH THIS.



ARE YOU?



I NEED ANOTHER DRINK. WANT ONE?

YES, PLEASE.

DON'T GO ANYWHERE!

PROMISE.



SHE'S STILL OUTSIDE?

SHE IS. DO YOU REALIZE HOW BLESSED WE ARE?



ARE WE?

SHE'S A LEGEND!

CUT THE FANBOYING. I'M SERIOUS.

SHE'S TROUBLE. CAN WE REALLY AFFORD TROUBLE RIGHT NOW?



WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU TONIGHT? IS THIS ABOUT DAVID'S PASSING?

NO... IT'S JUST... THIS MESSIAH NONSENSE IS A DANGEROUS ILLUSION, YOU KNOW?



SHE CAN TRAVEL THROUGH TIME, STEPHEN. HOW IS THAT NOT A GAME CHANGER?

YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?

CAN I GET A COOKIE?

IT'S TOO LATE, BABY. DRINK UP.



SHE COULD HELP US FIGURE OUT DOC'S NEXT MOVES.

OH MY GOD, YOU'RE SERIOUS!

LISTEN--

NO, YOU LISTEN. DOC HAS EYES EVERYWHERE. ARE YOU WILLING TO PUT YOUR CENTER IN JEOPARDY? ALL THOSE YEARS OF HIDING THAT YOU HAVE A DAUGHTER?

YOU KNOW HE'D JUST TAKE HER AWAY FROM YOU THE SECOND HE FINDS OUT.

YOU LET ME WORRY ABOUT COLUMBIA. I CAN PROTECT MY OWN DAUGHTER.

I KNOW YOU'RE DOING YOUR BEST, CONSIDERING. LOSING JEZ--