

SOLACE.

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ART BY: CEREN GUNES



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About Solace

Solace is a short, semi-autobiographical comic about life, videogames, and the impact they can have.

My name is Andy, and I'm what you'd call a very occasional videogame critic (known mostly for my freelance contributions at IGN AU and podcasting at Gamepodular.com). Videogames have been a huge part of my life for as long as I can remember.

During early childhood, videogames captured my imagination. During my awkward teens they were a constant escape. Most importantly, in my twenties, they helped me through some pretty tough times. At my loneliest and most depressed, when I was sick to the back teeth of working in a job I hated, and when I had nothing else, videogames were often the only thing that brought me joy.

For years I wanted to try my hand at writing fiction, and Solace represents my first stab at that. I started small, following the idiom 'write what you know' to pen a short comic about how even the smallest pleasures in your life can help you at your lowest.

With that, Solace revolves around a character called Geoff, a twentysomething man working a 9-5 job that he absolutely hates. With nothing else going on but the repetition of existence, there is one escape that makes him happy. I think you can guess what that is.

Though I wrote Solace with videogames in mind, and the wonderful artwork by Ceren Gunes supports that, I purposely wrote it in a way it could work for any of the little things that might help folks through the hard times. Whatever they may be, I hope you have yours and treasure them.

I hope you enjoy the read.



Andy Corrigan

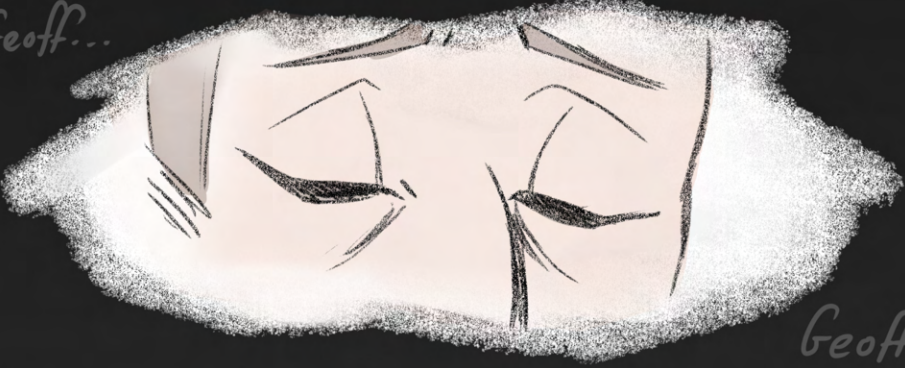
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WHAT IS LIFE?

Geoff...



Geoff...

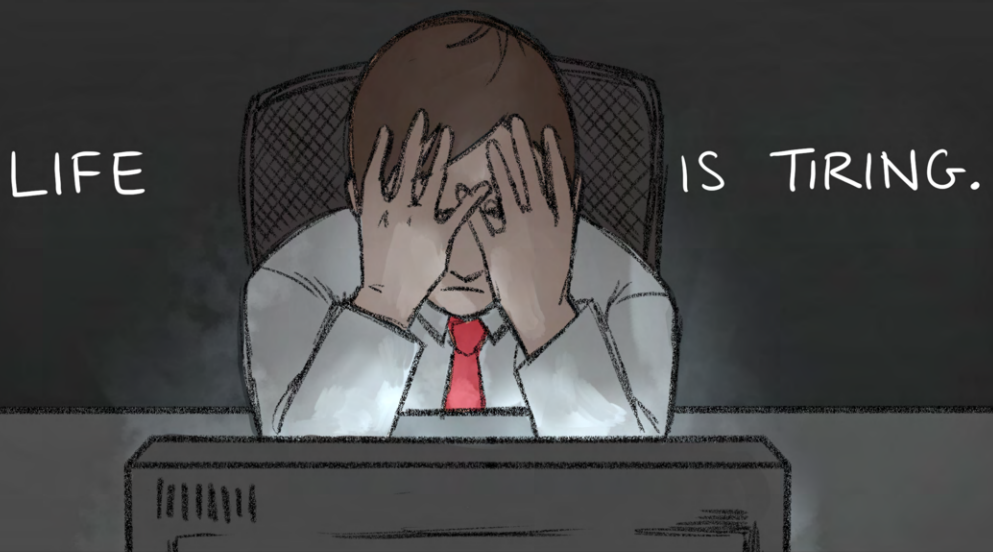
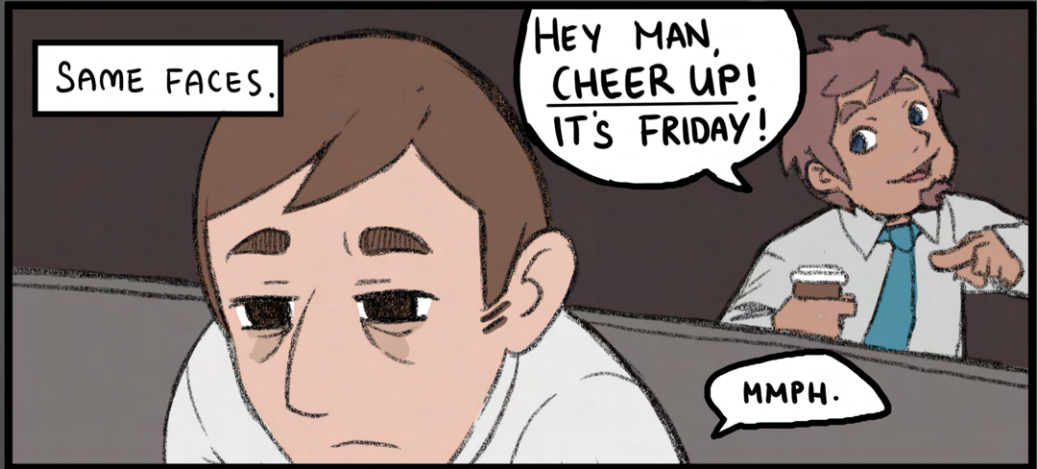
FOR MANY, LIFE IS DRUDGERY.



GEOFF!?

LARGE
LATTE FOR
GEOFF!







LIFE IS
TOLERANCE.

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OF TASKS.

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HEADACHES.

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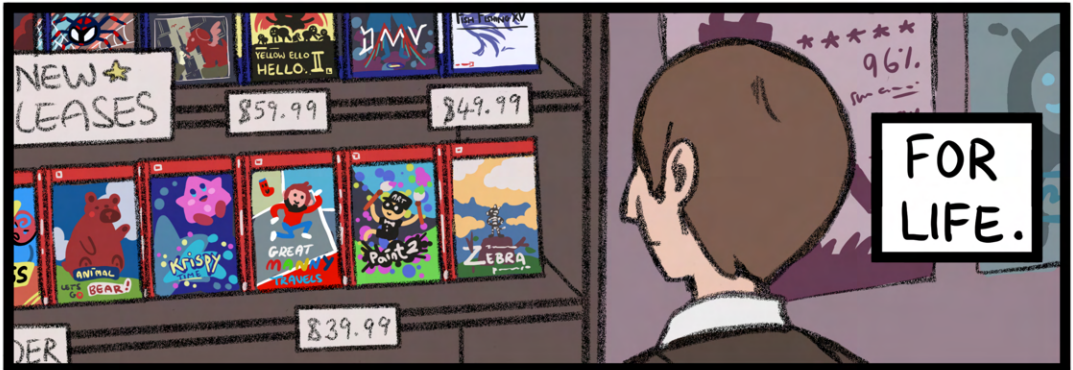
PEOPLE.

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YET THIS DRUDGERY IS
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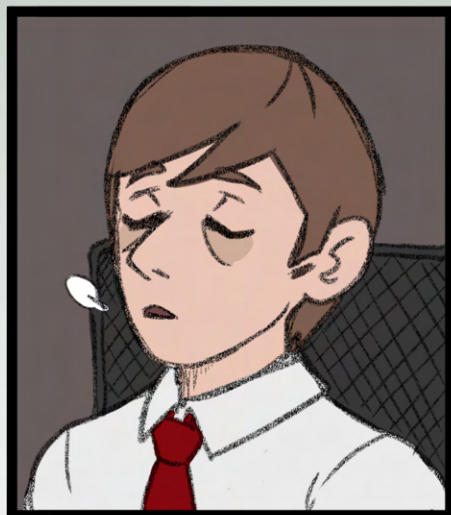
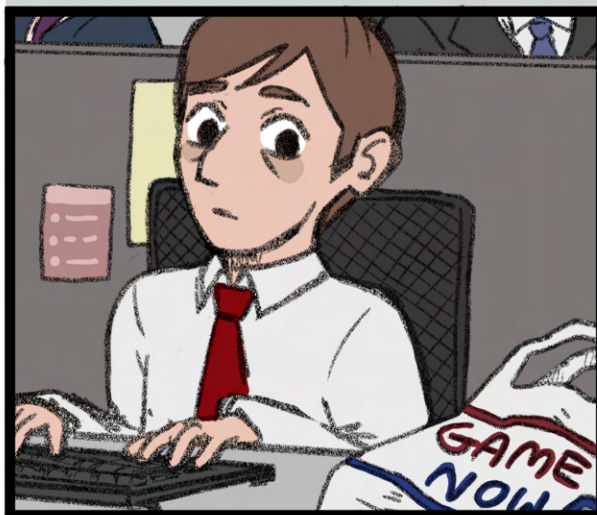


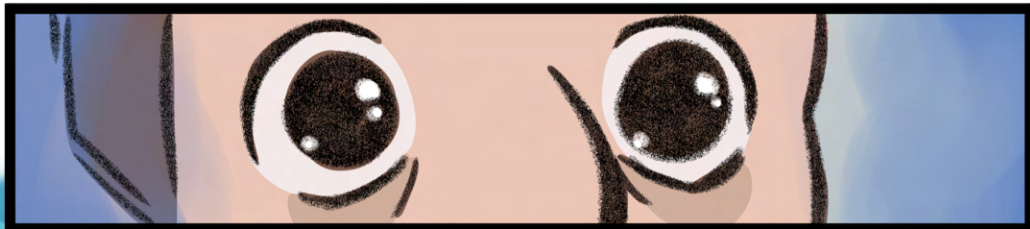


BUT, SUCH IS LIFE,



DISTRACTIONS CAN BE...

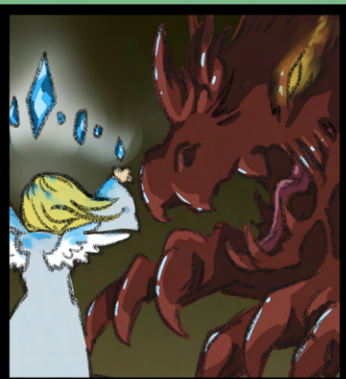




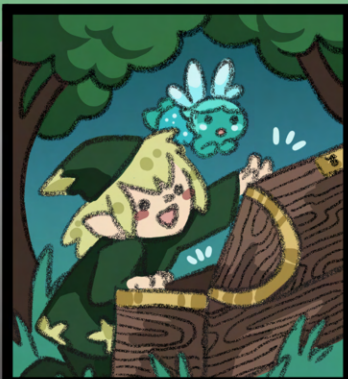
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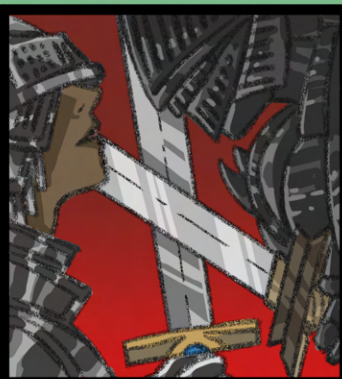
THEY CAN TAKE YOU AWAY FROM IT ALL.



LIFT YOU.

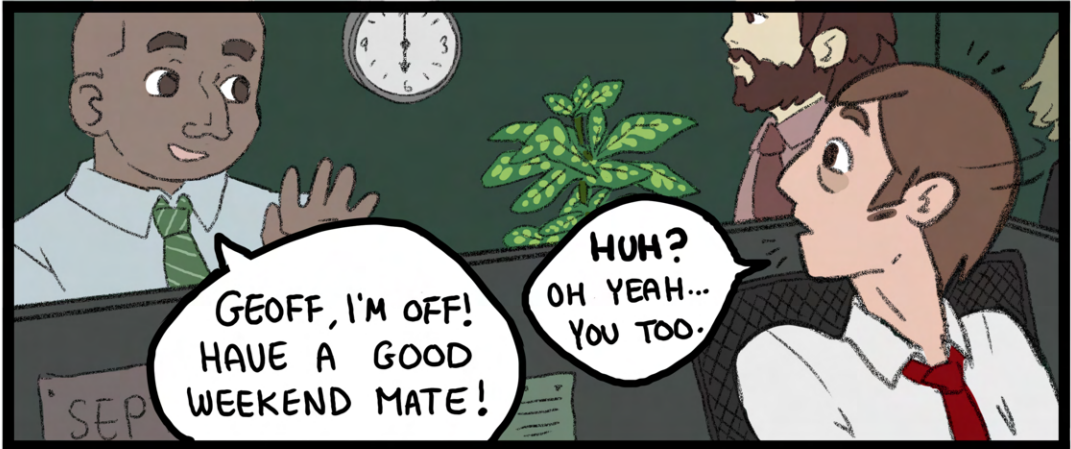


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PLACES.



EXCITING
NEW WORLDS.

THEY CAN PROVIDE ADVENTURES THAT
REAL LIFE SIMPLY CANNOT.



THOUGH THESE EFFECTS MAY ONLY BE TEMPORARY...



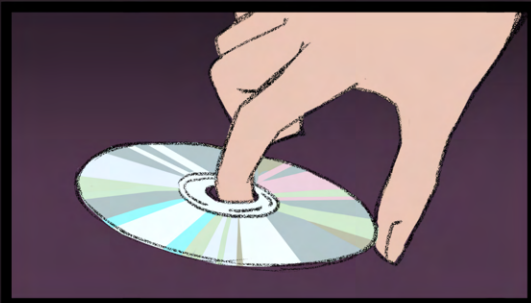
... FLEETING ...





CHERISH THEM.

FOR WHEN YOU HAVE NOTHING ELSE...





...IT IS THESE
SIMPLE PLEASURES...



THAT MAKE LIFE
WORTH LIVING.

END.

SOLACE.

ABOUT THE CREATORS:



ANDY CORRIGAN

ANDY IS A WRITER, OCCASIONAL GAMES CRITIC AND PODCASTER BASED IN ADELAIDE. HE IS USUALLY FOUND BANGING HIS HEAD AGAINST A FROMSOFTWARE BOSS.

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CEREN GUNES

FREELANCE ARTIST BEING A GIANT NERD IN TOKYO. IF SHE'S NOT DRAWING, SHE'S CERTAINLY PLAYING FINAL FANTASY XV.

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