

Neuroticism

(nū'-rot-uh-siz-uhm)

<<No, brother, I'm sane. What drives people crazy is trying to live outside reality. Reality is terrible. It can kill you. Given time, it certainly will kill you. The reality is pain—you said that! But it's the lies, the evasions of reality, that drive you crazy. It's the lies that make you want to kill yourself.>>

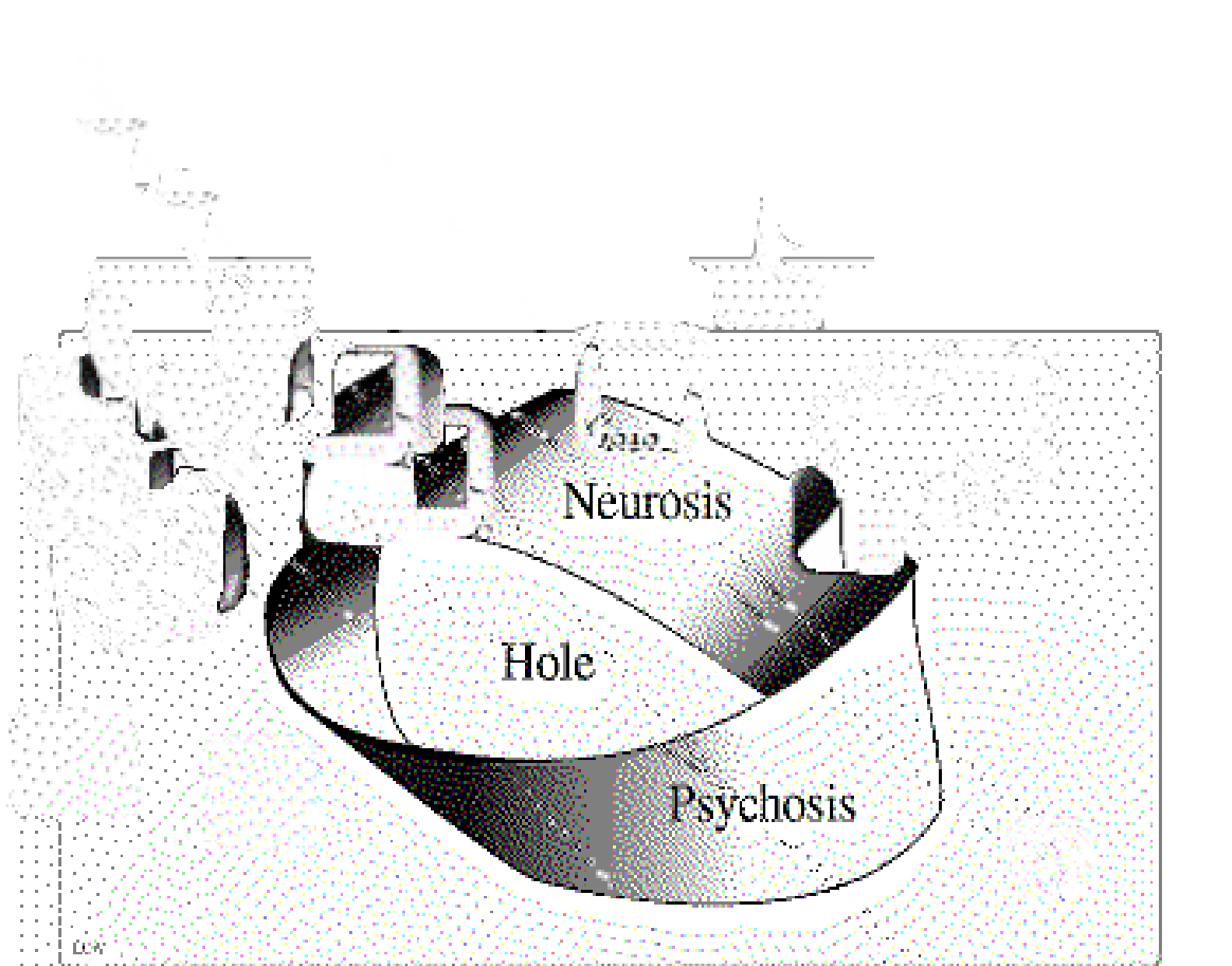
-The Dispossessed by Ursula K. Le Guin

<<Instead of treating it as incumbent on individuals to resolve their own physiological distress, instead, that is, of accepting the vast privatization of stress that has taken place over the last thirty years, we need to ask: How has it become acceptable that so many people, and especially so many young people, are ill?>>

-Mark Fisher, Capitalist Realism: Is There No Alternative

<<I am beginning to despair
and can only see two choices:
either go crazy or turn holy>>

-Adelia Prada —Serenade (translated by
Waston)



**an autobiographical
exploration of neuroticism
and computers**

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Q 1: How many times have you had obsessive thoughts in the last two weeks:

None at all

A little bit

A moderate amount

A lot

It is unbearable, to think is a disease

Q 2: How true is this statement: I was born immoral. I was born non religious. I was born without the fundamental bone which makes me human.

True

Somewhat True

A little true

What does it matter if it is true or not?

Q 3: Please respond to this statement: "Hey, do you have a minute?"

Hey (matching informality of the speaker.)

For you (make sure to smile after this statement) anything! (Making sure to reassure that he is not a burden)

Hello, (don't want to appear overly friendly). What do you need? (Straight to the point)

Hi there, (gentle, feminine, friendly). I have plenty of time (smile, no teeth, no predator responses).

Mood - Stabilize the electricity between the conduit in the wall through the cord which bridges the power grid to the power supply unit

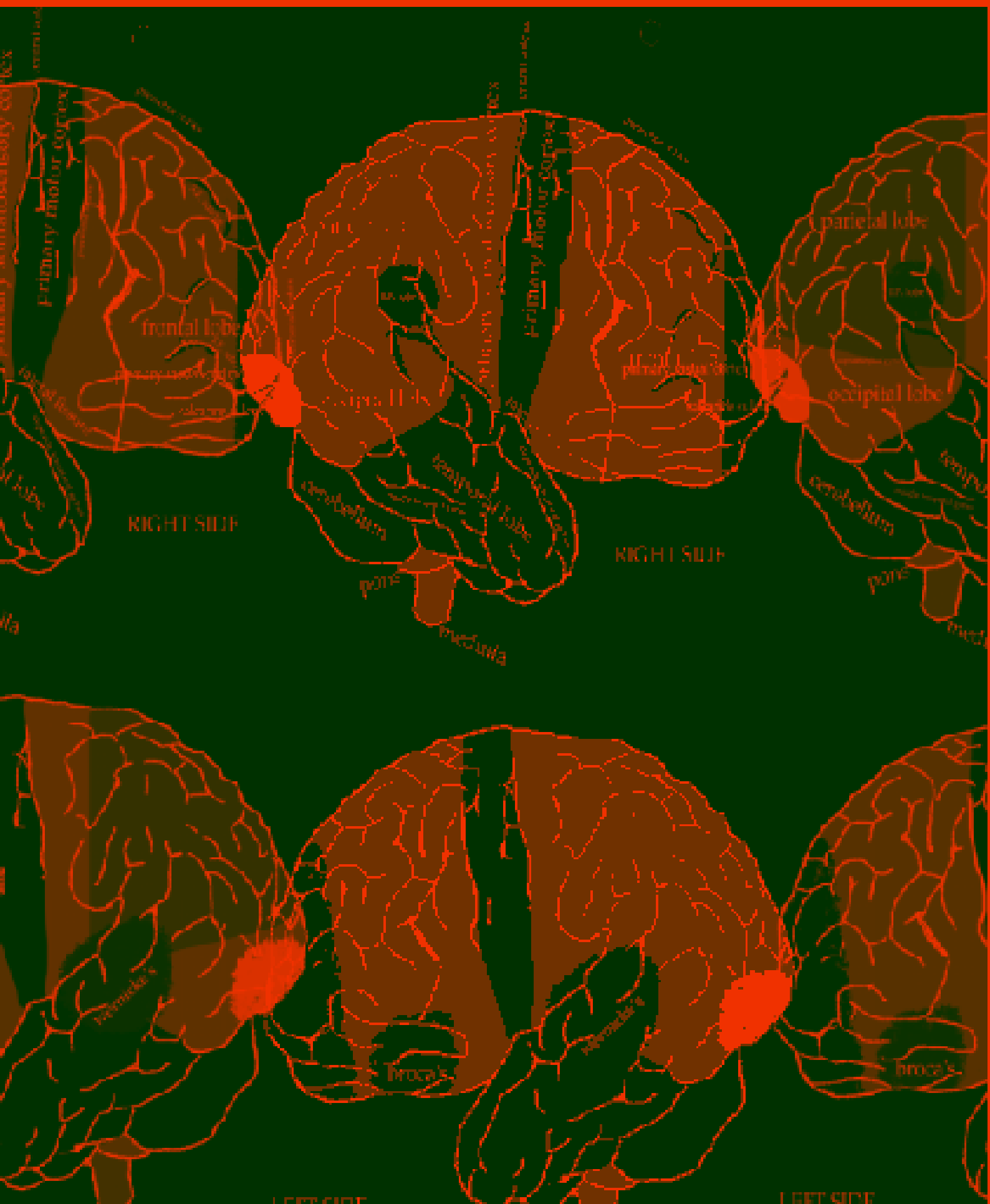
Cognition - Each bent pin on the motherboard will be one less unit of electricity sent to necessary computer pieces.

Reward - What good is something earned if I am off? What good is something earned if I am on? I am doing what I am built for.

Learning - The chip will overheat, this is inevitable.

Memory - Isn't it interesting how hard it is for the RAM to break and how light it feels in your hand? A hard drive takes triple or more as long as a stick. Everyone has sticks now, but a hard drive sounds better.

I can think my way
through any
problem.



a fatal exception BE has occurred at 0011:C0011E36 in VSD VMM(01)

to continue:

Press Enter to return to your self, or

Press CTRL+ALT+DEL to restart a new, to begin as someone else,
maybe they will have an easier time to go around it.

WARNING

if you do this, you will lose any unsaved information in all open
applications

WARNING

if you do this others will still remember who you used to be
before the exceptional error, before the morality had consumed
you.

The circuit
exploded, a fire
started, and now
all is ash.

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//this is a problem
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public class Self
{
    private int yearBorn;
    private string selfName;
    private int howMuchLonger;
}
```

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//i must rewrite myself to fix myself to be
myself
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```
public void setYearBorn(int yearBorn, String
selfName, int howMuchLonger)
{
    yearBorn=year;
    selfName=name;
    howMuchLonger=doIHave;
}
```

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//is there still time?
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Question

Selected Match

Psychological

There's something wrong with your mind (e.g., fear of words, anxiety, neurosis)

Neurogenetic

There's something wrong with your brain

Behavioral

You are reinforced and punished for it. (because you like it or because it is a bad habit)

Genetic

You got it from your father

Motor-Speed Connection

There's something wrong with your brain-muscle connection