

## Choose and Discard

I have thought about asking someone else to write this statement.

But if I do, one of two things may happen. You may think I am hiding behind someone else's words or you may read that fact as a strategy.

If you think I am hiding, nothing happens, but if you read it as a strategy, one of two things may happen. The strategy may favor me or weigh against me.

If the strategy favors me, nothing happens, but if it weighs against me, one of two things may happen. I may decide to devote myself to art enduring hard times or I may change careers.

If I keep pursuing art, nothing happens, but if I change careers, one of two things may happen. I may dedicate myself to singing and dancing or I may learn a trade.

If I learn a trade, nothing happens, but if I try out singing and dancing, one of two things may happen. I may be booked to do a show or I may become a street performer.

If I am booked, nothing happens, but if I'm not, one of two things may happen. I may be discovered by a talent scout or I may devote myself to slip pieces of paper with my phone number into the pocket of everyone who appears to be a manager.

If I am discovered, nothing happens, but if I slip a piece of paper with my phone number into people's pockets, one of two things may happen. The pieces of paper may go unnoticed, or someone may find one and contact me.

If nobody sees the hidden notes, nothing happens, but if someone calls me, one of two things may happen. I may be offered a job interview or someone may ask me on a blind date.

If the call is regarding a job interview, nothing happens, but if someone asks me out on a date one of two things may happen. We may both show up or I may be waiting alone at a bar for my date who never shows up.

If my date stands me up, nothing happens, but if he shows up, one of two things may happen. He may not fulfill my expectations or the date may be a success.

If the date falls down, nothing happens, but if it works out one of two things may happen. He may be a one night stand or we may set a second date.

If we never see each other again, nothing happens, but if we set another date one of two things may happen. He may come dressed exactly like me or he may dress differently.

If he dresses differently, nothing happens, but if we come dressed the same, one of two things may happen. I may feel embarrassed or I may think that it means he is my better half.

If I am embarrassed and leave him, nothing happens, but if I see him as my better half, one of two things may happen. I may try to find more coincidences to reassure that we belong together or I may think that one is enough.

If I think one coincidence is enough, nothing happens, but if I keep trying to find more, one of two things may happen. I may find them and be happy with him for ever, or while searching I may caught him with another woman.

If I find more coincidences and we live happily ever after, nothing happens, but if I find out there are three of us, one of two things may happen. I may realize that I am not for open relationships or I may think differently and look the other way.

If I walk out on him, nothing happens, but if I look the other way, one of two things may happen. We may get married, have children and grow old together or I may burst with anger.

If we grow old together, nothing happens, but if rage comes over me, one of two things may happen. I may be committed to a psychiatric facility or I may kill them both and be on the run.

If I am committed, nothing happens, but If I kill them and am on the run, one of two things may happen. I may find shelter at someone's house or I may have to flee the country.

If I find shelter, nothing happens, but if I have to flee the country, one of two things may happen. I may end up lying under the sun in a tropical beach drinking a strawberry daiquiri with a green straw or I may find myself in some wood in Alaska (just like in Into the Wild).

If I end up in a topical beach, nothing happens, but if I find myself in Alaska, one of two things may happen. I may meet the man of my dreams and marry him -without him knowing about my past- or I may find myself alone, lost and about to be devoured by a polar bear.

If I meet the man of my life in Alaska -and he stays ignorant about my past-, nothing happens, but if I am about to be a polar bear's dinner (like in Grizzly Man, the man who loved bears)...

I'd better write it myself.