

CHAPTER 1

SYSTEMS CHECK

GOOD MORNING, RHEA. RISE AND SHINE...
OR RISE AND GRUMBLE - BOTH OPTIONS
ACCEPTABLE .



Hey Tina, how
did I sleep last
night?

YOU'VE HIT OPTIMAL BRAIN-
WAVE PATTERNS. ALSO,
YOUR DREAMS WERE
STATISTICALLY WEIRDER
THAN 87% OF USERS LAST
NIGHT.



Haha, thanks!

NUTRIENT OPTIMIZATION
COMPLETE. YOU'RE NOW
POWERED FOR COGNITION AND
PRODUCTIVITY.



Just enough time
to drop in on Mia
before I head to
work



Ooh, you
chose drinks
by the
moonlight?
Love it.

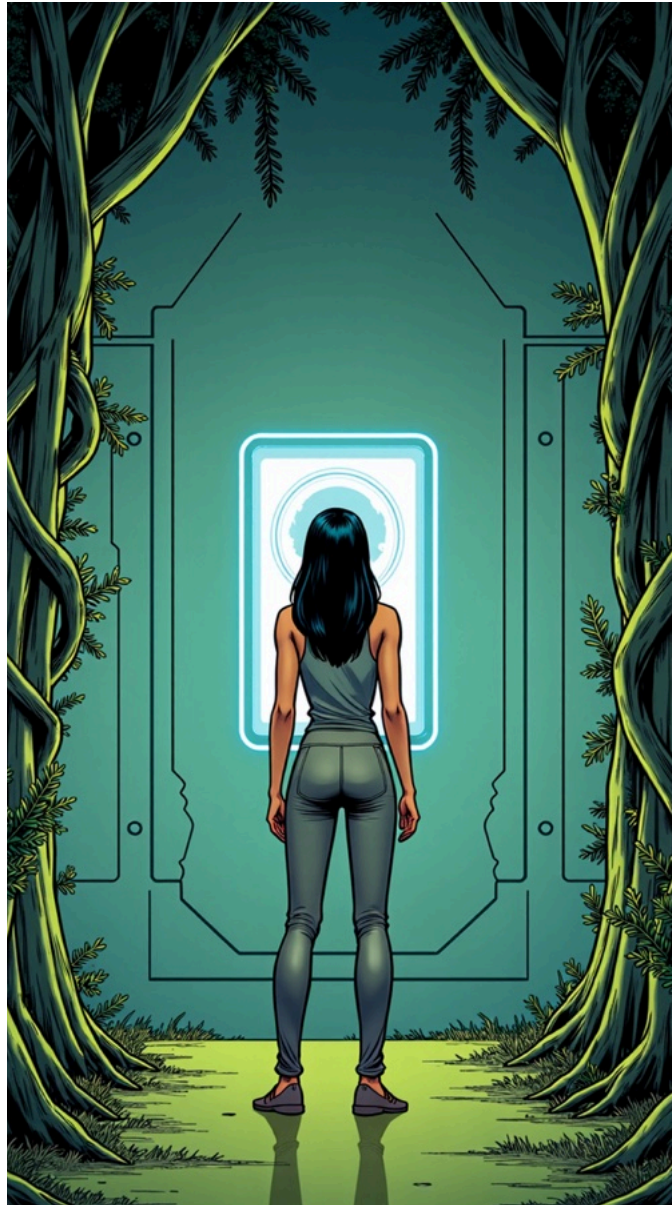


Thanks. By the
way, Mom's been
asking about you.
Please tell me
you're visiting
soon.

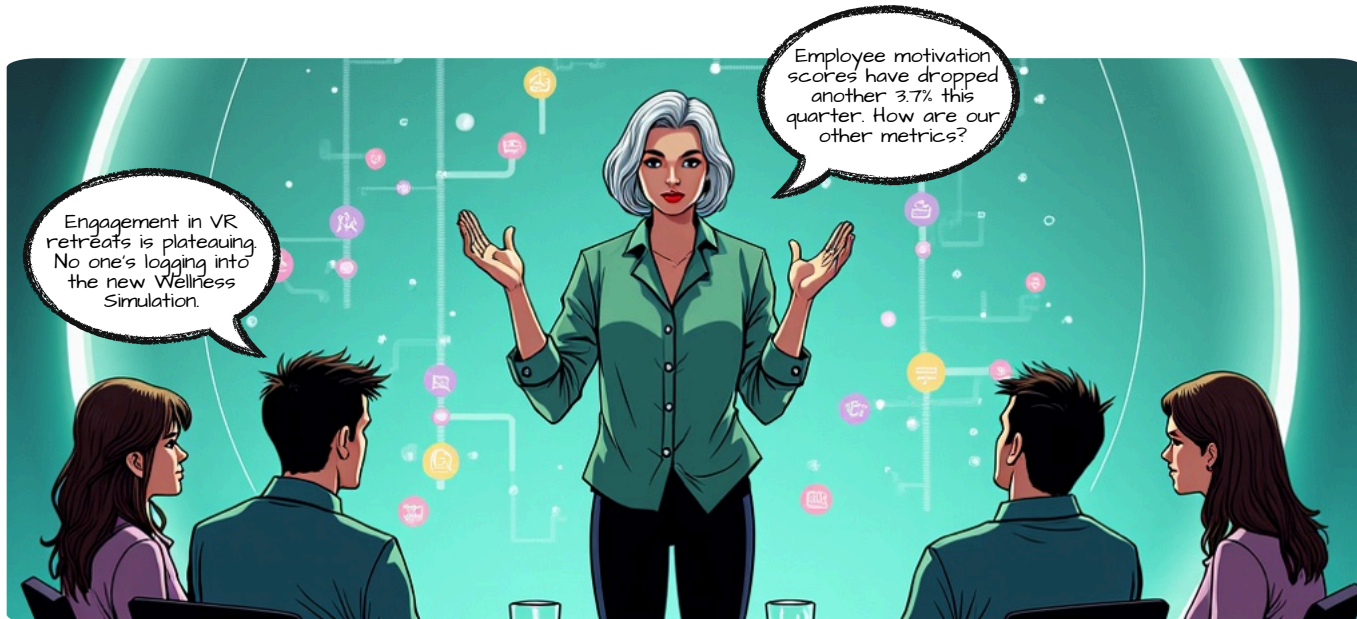
CUE EMOTIONAL WELLNESS AMPLIFIERS?



INSIDE THE OFFICE...





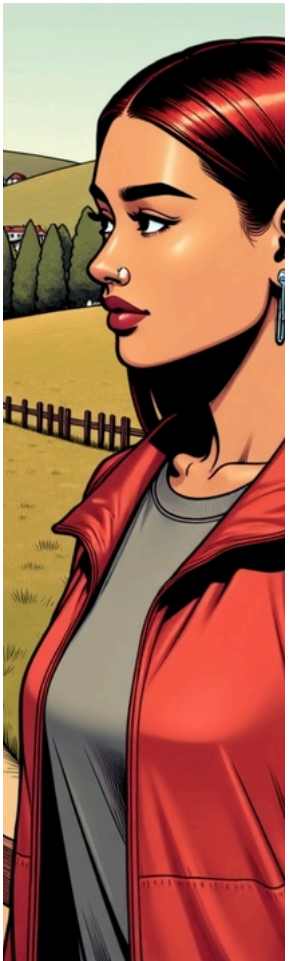


CHAPTER 2

UNPLUGGED







BACK AT HOME...

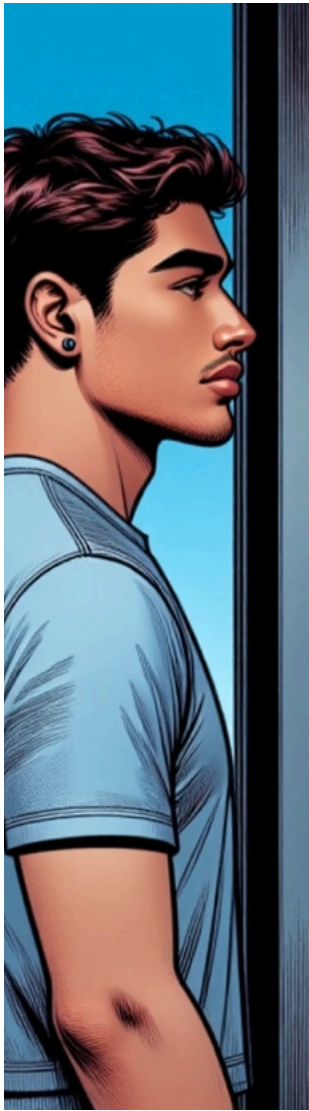


Wow, mom, I didn't realise you had such a huge collection of stamps! They're so beautiful

They were my window to the world, back when travel meant imagination. Every stamp came with a story





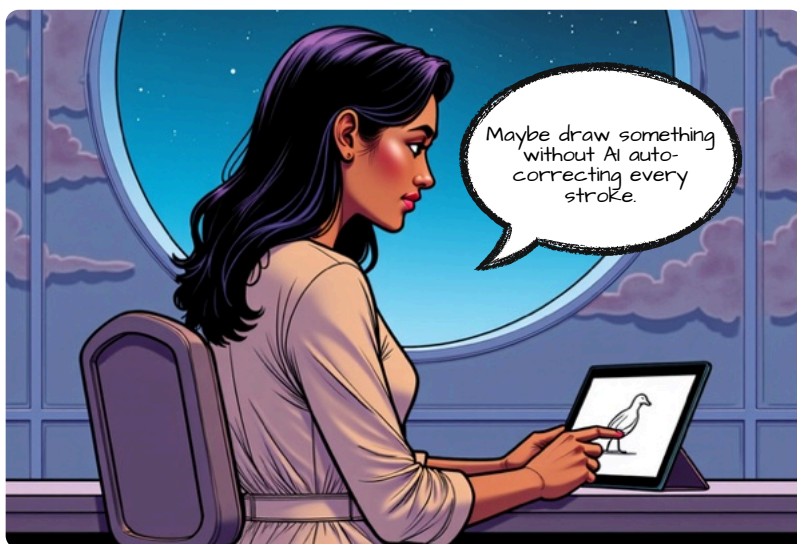


CHAPTER 3

A FEELING



BACK IN OFFICE.





Singing off-key. With actual voices. No pitch correction



Walking a path you've never scanned before. No map, no markers



No metrics. No tracking. Just... doing.



Or reading an actual book. Page by page. No implant, no instant download.

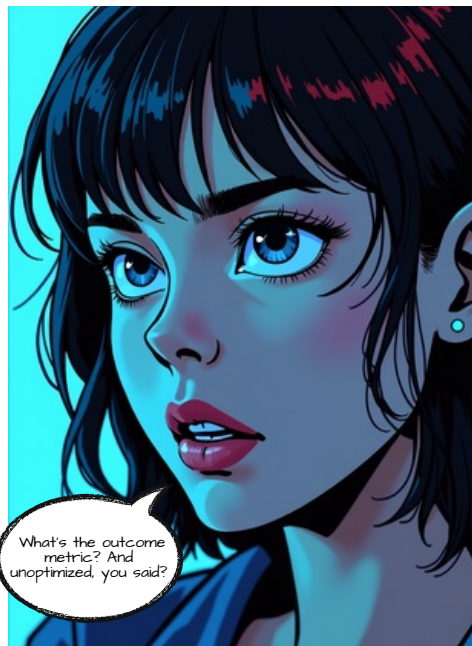
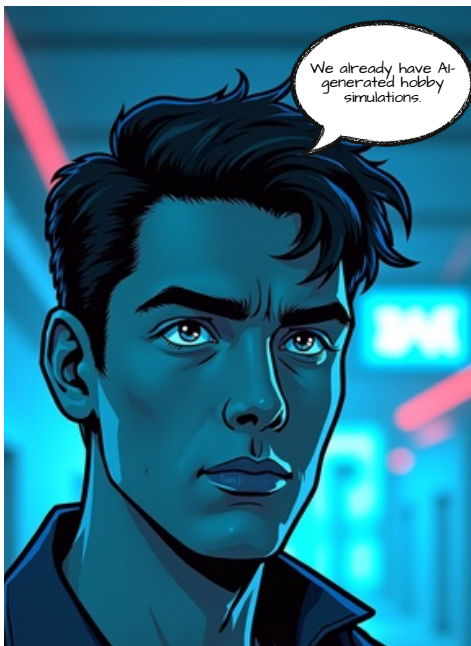
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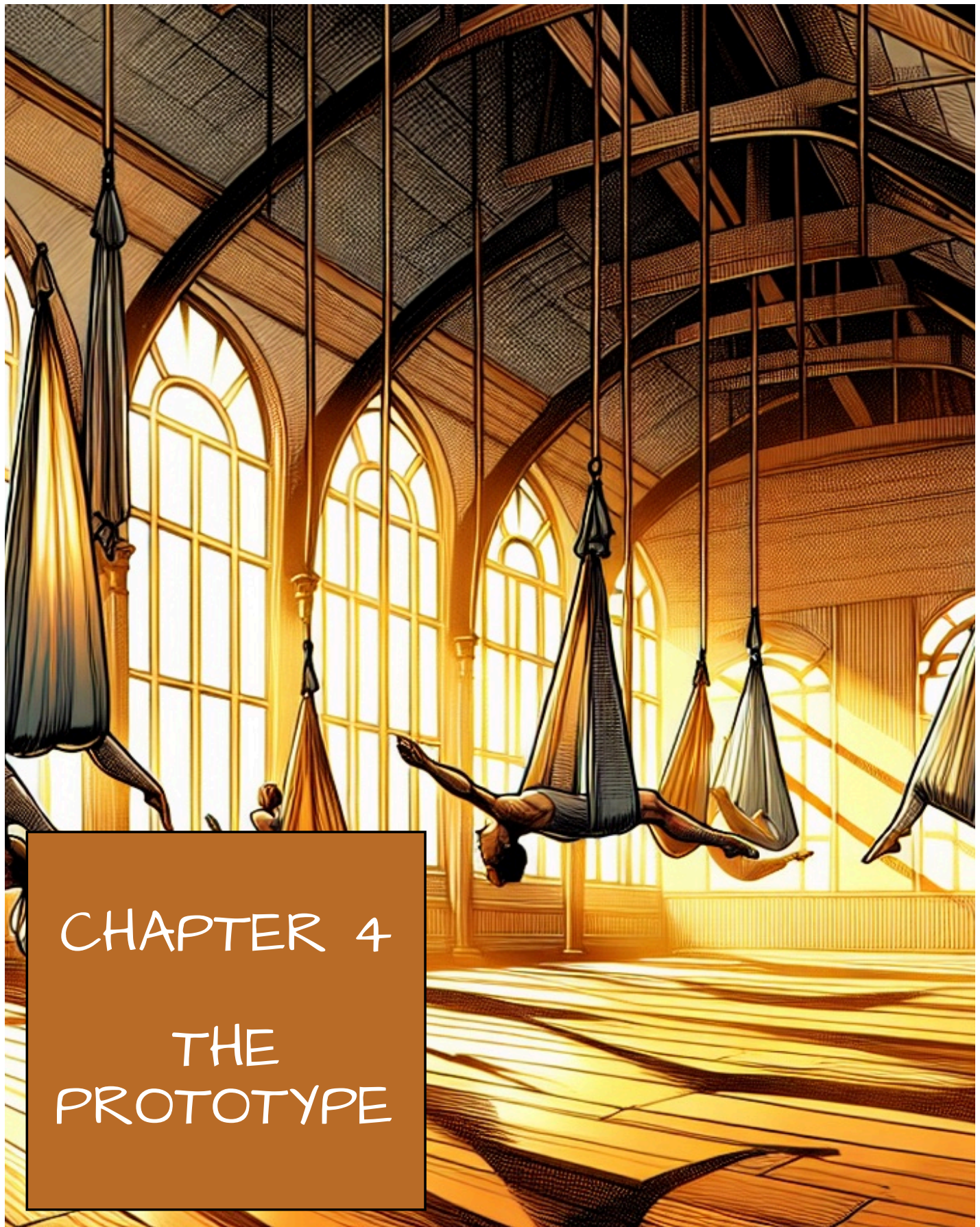


We keep optimizing joy. But maybe joy doesn't like being optimized.

Maybe the answer isn't more simulation or control—maybe it's play.

Messy, unpredictable, real play. Doing something you enjoy, that allows you to be in a state of flow.





CHAPTER 4

THE PROTOTYPE







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