

Welcome

Welcome to ATVBT (portrait) drawing club!

THIS METHOD HAS NO EVIDENCE, consider it an experiment. If you have ideas or suggestions, [comment here](#).

I feel like there *must* be prior art to this as an art-learning technique; if you can find it let me know.

Here's how to use this document to learn to draw:

First, print out [this grid](#) on a landscape piece of letter paper (or get some grid paper and mark out 5inch x 4inch grids in half-inch increments)

- I am sorry this step is annoying, I couldn't find anything good on Amazon

Then:

EASIER MODE:

- Go to any of the "Name: Grid" tabs on the left hand side of this doc. These show portrait photos with a grid laid over them.
- Try to draw that photo on your printed page, using the grid lines as guides for key features (e.g. eyes, ears, nostrils, mouth, chin, hairline). The images are centered so the pupils are at (3,5) and (5,5).

MEDIUM MODE:

- Go to any of the "Name: Grid" tabs on the left hand side of this doc. These show two photos with a grid laid over them.
- Copy a few key features -- e.g. the ears, chin and hairline -- using the grid lines as guides. The images are centered so the pupils are at (3,5) and (5,5)
- Now switch to the relevant Name tab, and try to fill in the rest of your drawing by placing other features in the correct relative positions to your grid-ed features

HARDER MODE:

- Go to any of the Name tabs on the left hand side of this doc. Try to draw the faces onto your grid freehand. The images are centered so the pupils are at (3,5) and (5,5).
- Then, go to the relevant "Name: Grid" tabs and check your work against the gridded image.
- Then, correct your image, actively marking e.g. "my eyes are too far up the face, I drew the left ear too big, I made the chin line too steep..." etc etc etc

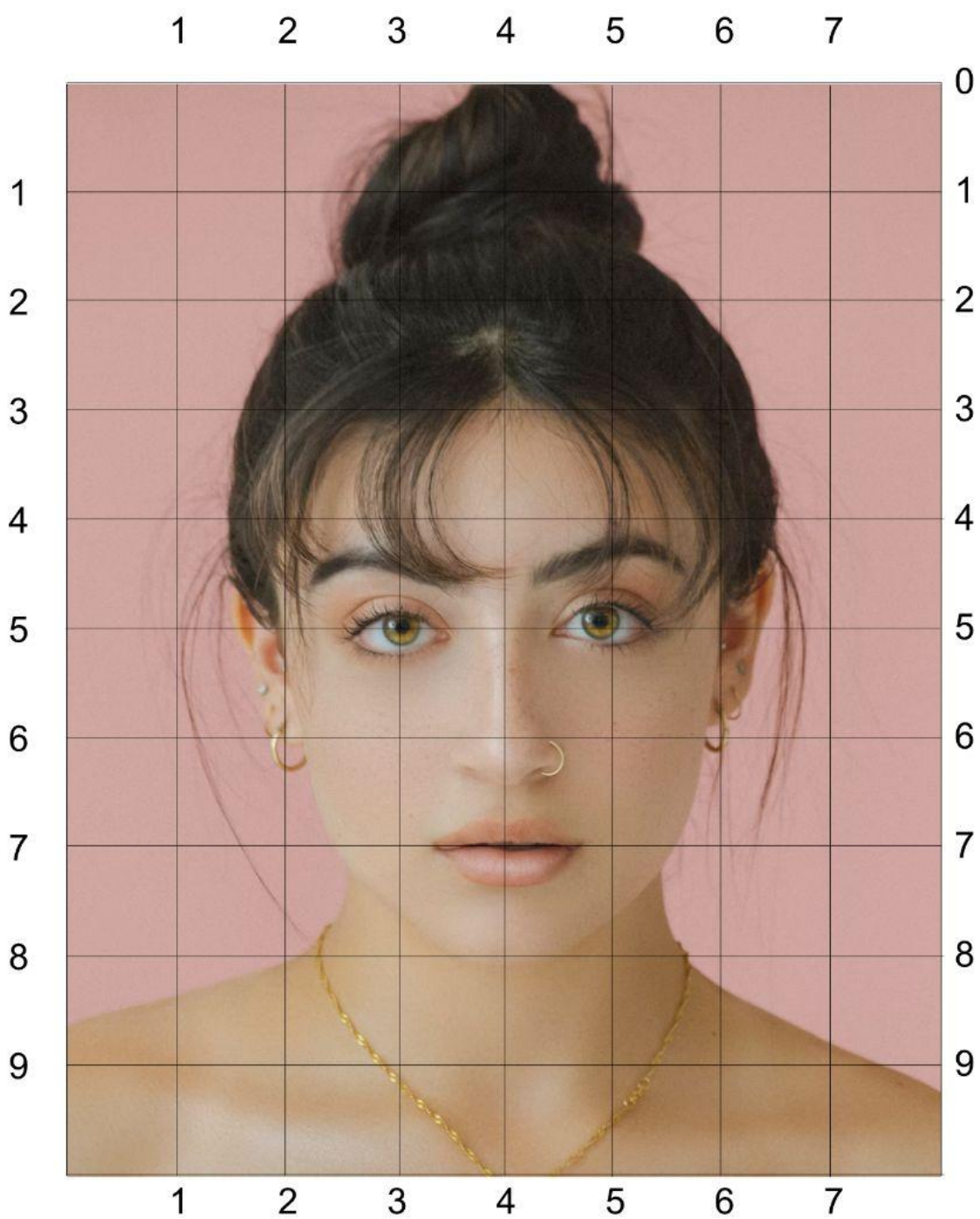
p.s. names are made up and arbitrary. Photos are from Unsplash under unsplash license

Aya



<https://unsplash.com/photos/woman-staring-directly-at-camera-near-pink-wall-bqe0J0b26RQ>

Aya Grid



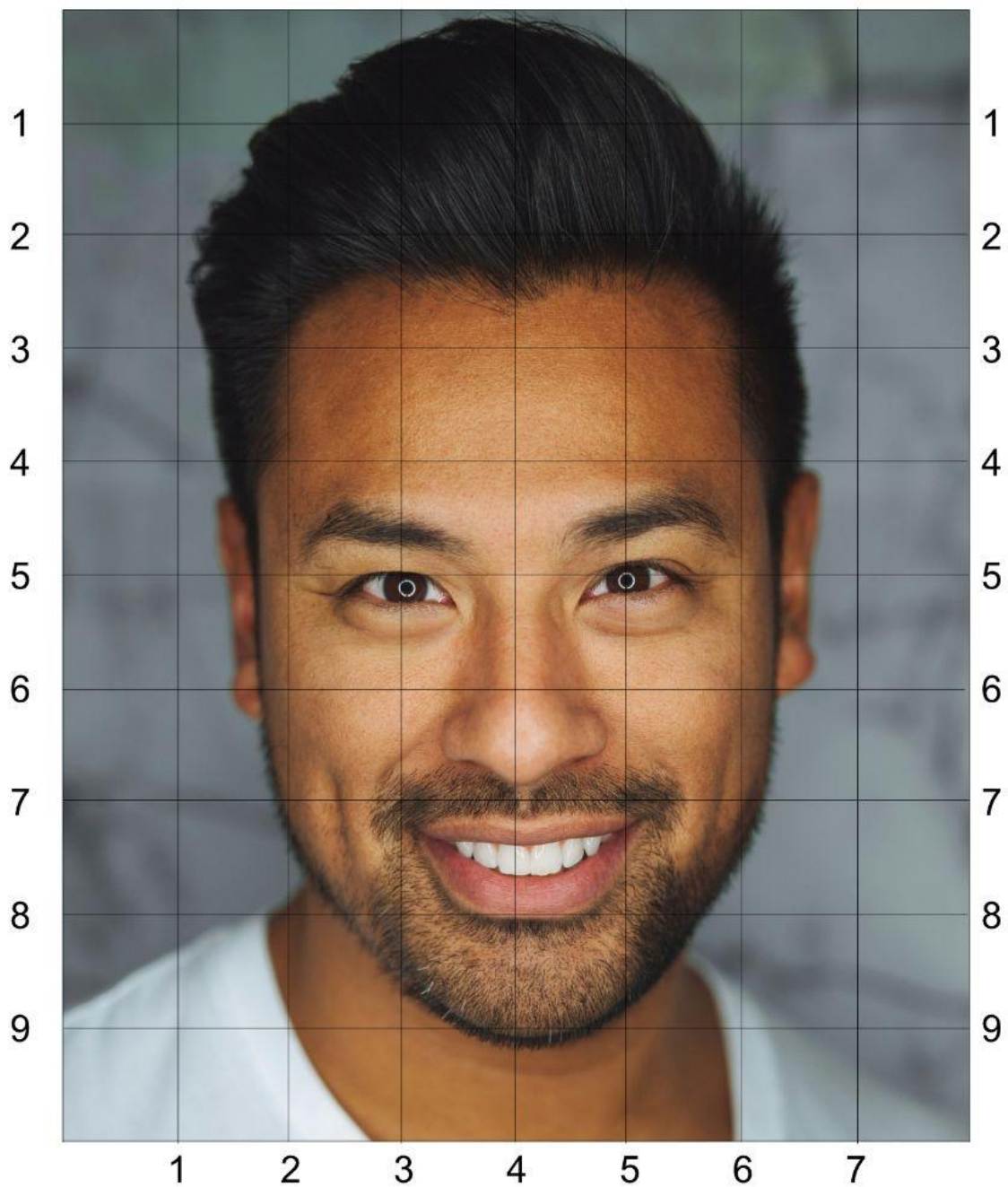
Bertram



<https://unsplash.com/photos/man-wearing-white-v-neck-shirt-iFgRcqHznqg>

Bertram Grid

1 2 3 4 5 6 7



Clarice



<https://unsplash.com/photos/woman-holding-her-hand-standing-beside-trees-IEbIKXo0fBc>

Clarice Grid

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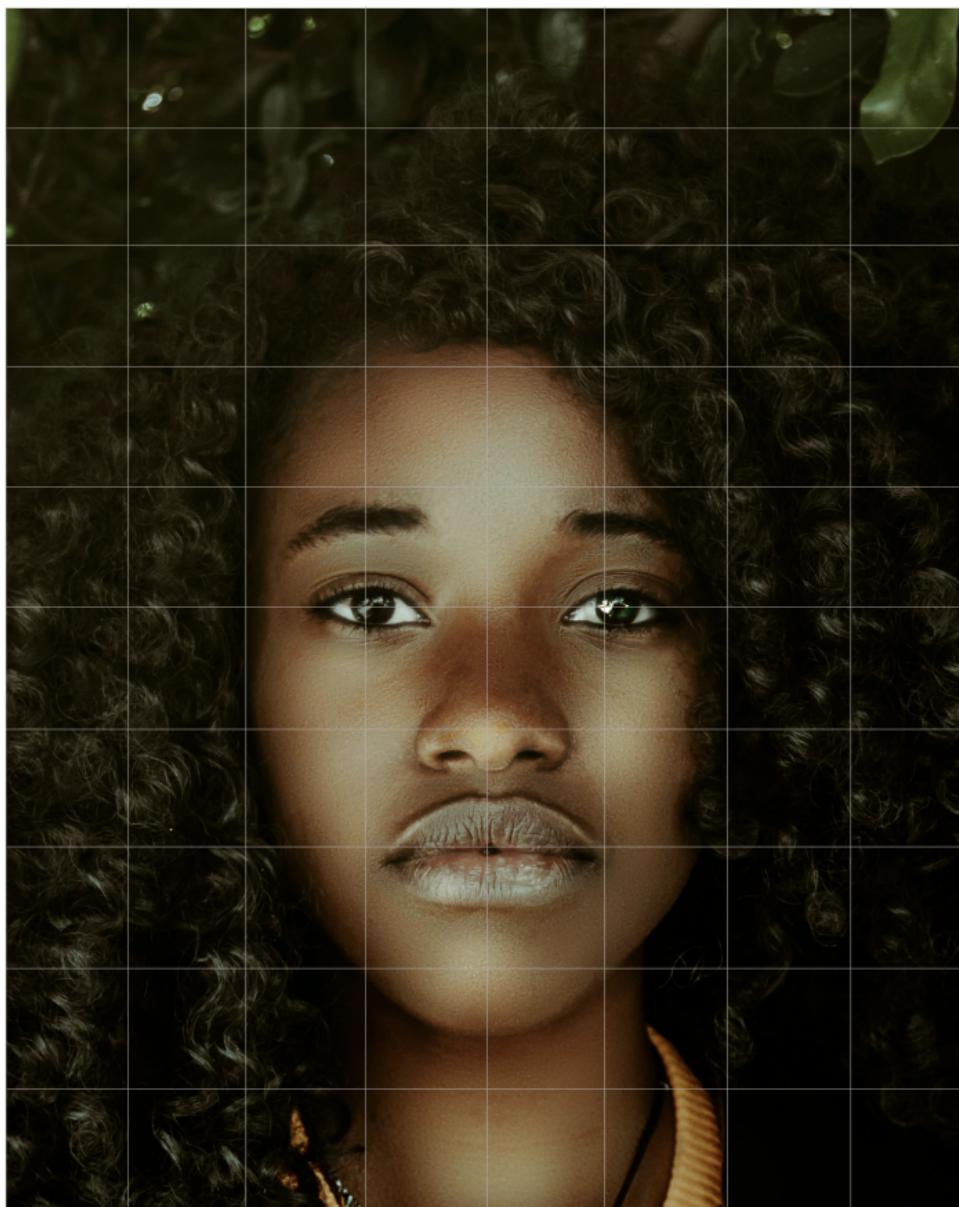
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Dante



<https://unsplash.com/photos/boys-face-close-up-photography-n4KewLKFOZw>

Dante Grid

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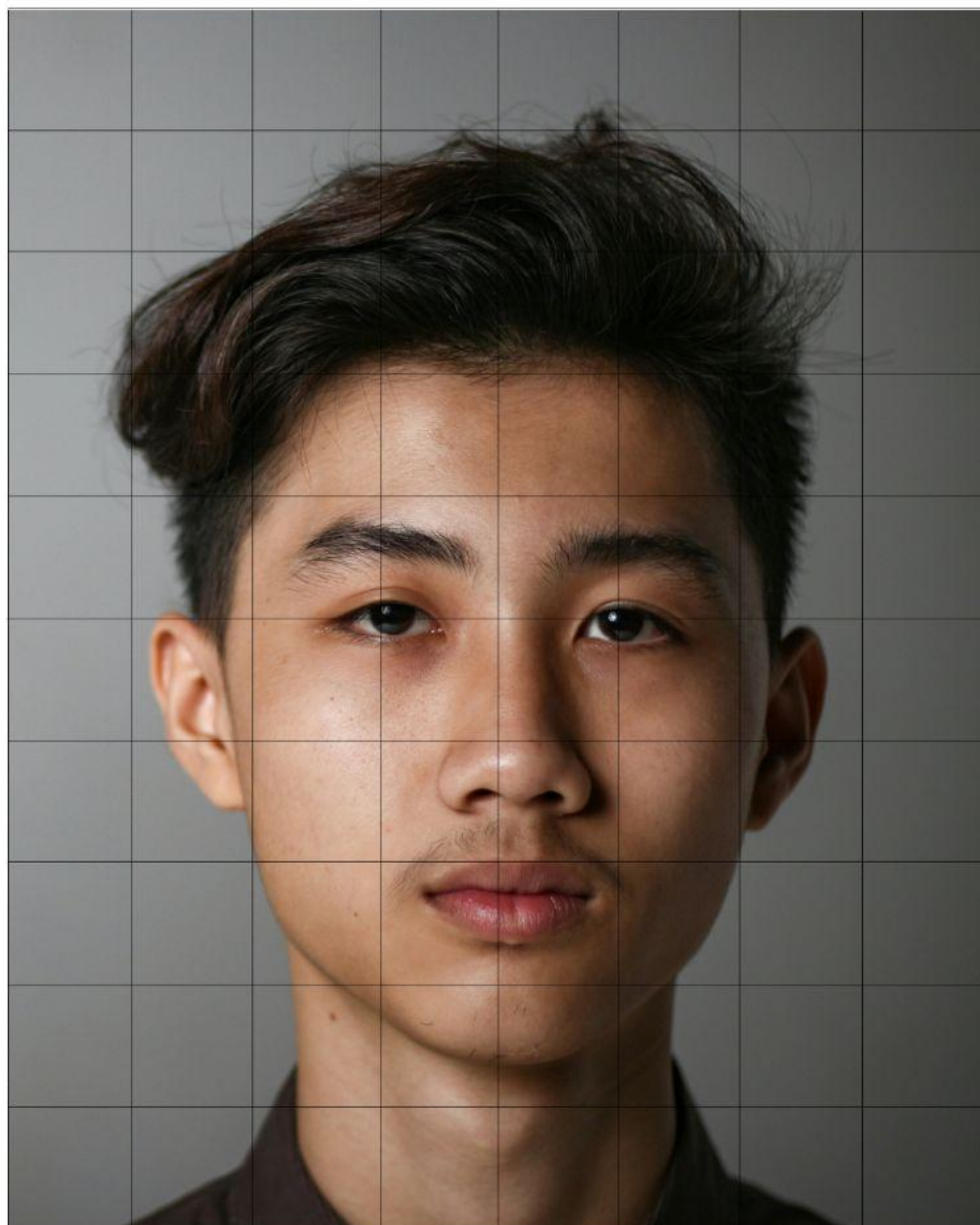
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Elena

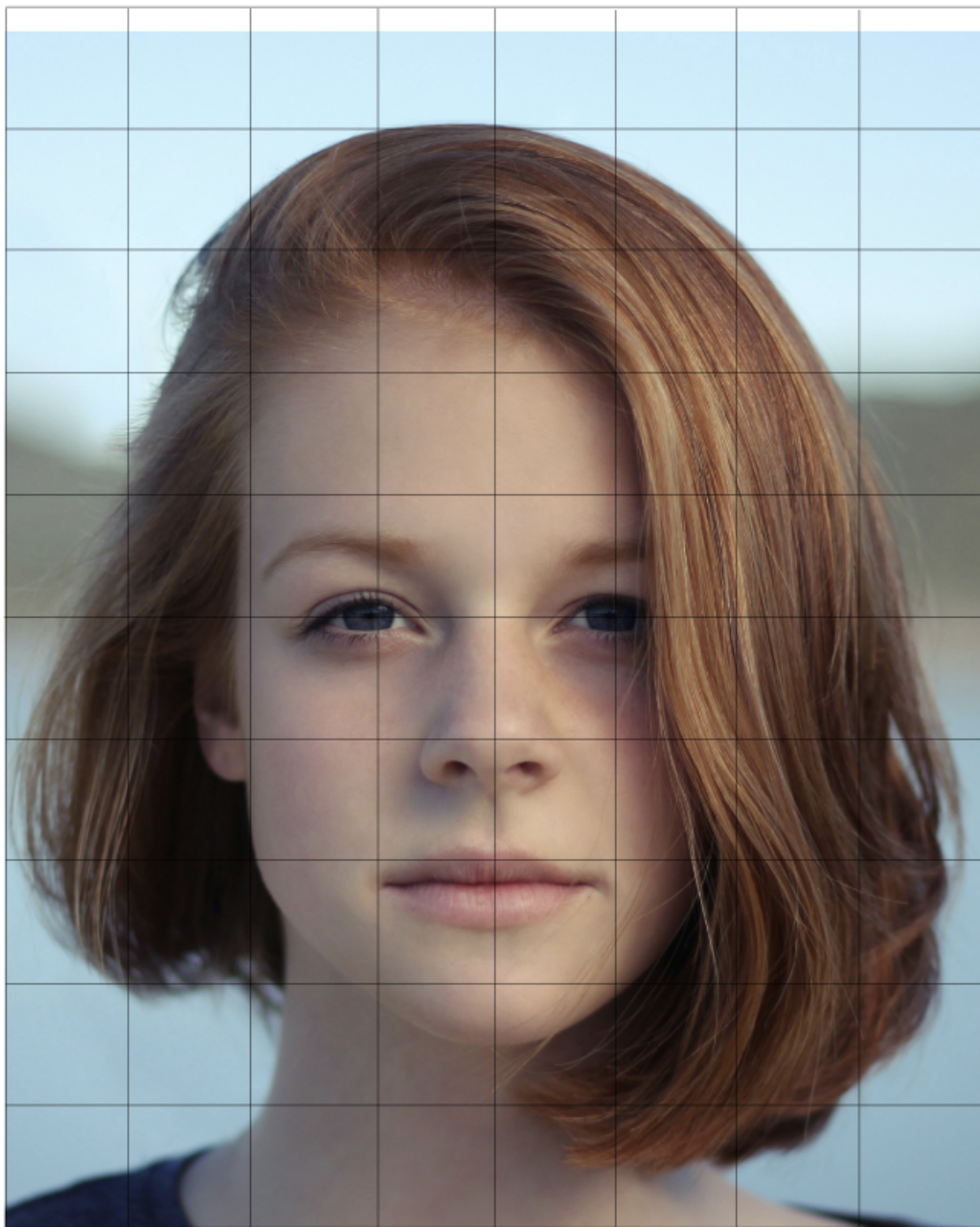


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Elena Grid

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Ferdinand



<https://unsplash.com/photos/man-in-black-hoodie-standing-dt60oksDTx8>

Ferdinand Grid

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Want more?

If you made it this far and want more, comment at www.atvbt.com/learn-to-draw-with-atvbt/ or email u@atvbt.com (to be clear, there is no more right now, but if there's enough enthusiasm I could make more).