WITH THE CLICK OF A BUTTON

Note: Feel free to change the name of the girl.

Rebecca: (A little out of breath.) Hey. Hey, I'm here. What did you want?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

What do you mean, what am I doing here? You texted me to come, so I'm here.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh, I gotcha. Yeah, I know you just texted me a few seconds ago. I got here so quickly because I was in the area already.

(Brief pause while listener speaks.)

That's right. I was… jogging. After work. I always like to jog after work on Friday. I like to have fun on the weekend and I can't seem to fit it in then. Yep. Got to stay healthy and in shape, you know. That's why I was a little out of breath when I first showed up.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh, yeah. Out here in this industrial park. It's a great jogging location.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Look, we're getting off the subject. Why I'm not wearing typical jogging clothes is not important right now. Stay focused. You texted me to be here and now I'm here. What's up?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Yeah. Of course, I'd like to see that. You said the other day that you were onto an amazing virtual reality breakthrough.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Yes, you did. You did so tell me that. Where else would I have heard it? You know what. It's not important. We're getting off the subject of your breakthrough. It sounds amazing. Show me.

(Brief pause as listener punches in the code to get into the secure location.)

(To herself.) So that's the code to get in. I wondered.

(To listener.) What? Nothing. Just, you know, excitement and anticipation for what's coming.

Ok, ok. Forward a while down the hall, then a right, then the 2nd door on the left. Ok.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh, just mapping the place out in my mind in case I need to go use the restroom or something like that. I don't want to get lost.

Well, here we are. Your…

(A little confused.) room?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Well, yeah, I guess I am a little surprised.

(Brief pause while listener speaks.)

No, I'm not disappointed. Just a little confused. I thought a virtual reality room would look like… I dunno, bigger. Maybe I've been biased by Star Trek or something like that.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

These chairs? That's it? We just strap in here under these gizmos over our heads?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Really? Through our minds? Is that safe?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Ok, if you say so. I trust you.

So, you'll sit there and I'll sit here. Oh, having trouble? Here, let me help strap you in. Yeah, you made these straps a little tricky. Ok, got it? Good. Now, I'll sit over here and strap myself in. Now what?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh, the ready button is on my chair? Ok. With the click of a button… (Click.) …we are…

(No pause. Instantly amazed.) WOOOOOOOOW! This is amazing. This is all from your machine?

My love… uh, I mean, my God. Look at what you've created. It's beautiful.

The grass, the flowers, the sky. It's all so… so perfect. And I even smell the flowers. And fresh air. How did you accomplish all of this?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

That's amazing. By tapping into the full power of our minds? We can see, hear, touch, smell, and even taste everything in here? And you created this?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Even more? This is just the menu screen?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Of course, I'd love to play. What game do you have in here?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

No, no. Go on. I see what you're doing. You're selecting a character. You chose random. Gonna let the computer decide for you? Ok. Being adventurous, I see. And you get… Prince?

Wow. That sounds neat. What abilities do you have? High charisma, high command abilities, low on pretty much everything else.

Whoa! Suddenly we're in a castle. This is your castle, I take it? And there are your servants and guards. They're so real. Hi, guys.

(Laughs.) They waved back to me. This is amazing. So, what do you do?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

As you use your abilities, you gain levels and new things open up. Like how?

(Brief pause while listener commands the others to leave.)

So you just told everyone to leave. What does that…

(No pause.) Whoa! The table at the center of the room now has food.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh, I see. You used your command ability as a Prince, and that opened up something new. Wow, it all smells so good.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Really? We can eat?

(Tries something.)

Oh, my God. This is sooooo good. And this is all from your program?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh yeah. You're right. I haven't chosen a character yet. Ok, I'll choose random just like you and see what I get. What have you got in here? Maybe I'll be your brave knight. Or maybe I'll be a thief that has to steal your crown. (Giggles.)

(To herself.) Or maybe I'll steal your heart.

(To listener.) Ok, it ended up on…

(Surprise.) Yandere? That's a class in this game?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Yeah, you're right. I did select random. I guess I've got to go with it. Let's see. That gives me high charisma and sneak. Ok, that makes sense. And some magical and physical abilities too. So, what do I do?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Ok. To unlock levels, I've just got to do what a Yandere does. Well… all right.

(Pause while nothing happens, then listener speaks.)

No. I'm not doing nothing. I'm watching you. That's what I'm supposed to do, right? Obsess over my true love?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Of course, you're my true love. You're the Prince, right? Who else would it be? You've got the highest charisma to attract me, after all. And besides, you kicked everybody else out of the room. And your adorably cute face, and your dashingly handsome body, and those glowing, enchanting eyes have all stolen my heart away.

Wow, this game is amazing. It can even make me feel like a yandere. Come here, my Prince. Or should I say, my love?

Why are you backing away from me? Don't you want to taste my love and affection for you the way I tasted of your food?

Oh, I get it. You're playing the game. If I'm the yandere and you're my love, you've got to pretend to be a little frightened of me, don't you? How fun.

My love, trying to run for the door won't help. You see, I've discovered the next level of my abilities. I can magically create a rope to bind your hands and legs. Now you can't go anywhere.

Ah, ah, ahhhh. No using your command ability to call in the guards. I've also created a gag to contain those sweet lips of yours until I have further need of them.

Ah hah. Tying and gagging you unlocked another ability. I can levitate you off the floor so I can take you with me. And my perception ability has grown to the point where I can spot a secret entrance to this room. Going through it reveals a hidden way in and out of your castle.

My love, this game is thrilling. You've done wonders with it. I'm so impressed. It's so real and lifelike.

No. Not even that. It goes beyond lifelike. With my magical abilities growing, very soon I'll be able to do whatever I want in this world. Your world is my playground, and you are my toy, my pet, my love, to cherish and to care for all of my days. That is my goal… in the game. Yes. That's right. The game. I'm accomplishing the game's objective for my character.

Ok, my love, we've arrived.

You look confused. That's because you don't have my abilities. The game has been leading me to my secret lair. You can't see the magical entrance, but I can. And once we go inside, nobody will be able to find us.

Now you see, my love, a secret magical lair built especially for you with an endless supply of pampering items to care for my dearest, darling love, such as large, fluffy pillows, and even silken pajamas for you to sleep in. Or at least to relax in. I don't know if we sleep in here or not.

(Rebecca speaks more slowly and seductively until advised to do otherwise.)

Now, I'll just lay you down on my glorious bed. It feels like heaven, doesn't it.

Would you like me to climb in beside you here?

(Giggles.) I know you can't speak with the gag, but your blush tells me that that's exactly what you would like.

And with each action I take as a yandere towards my precious, precious love, I can feel my powers growing ever more.

When I press myself up against you, cuddling you ever so gently, I gain another level.

And when I softly caress your delicate hair with my fingers, my power grows once again.

And if I softly and sweetly (Soft kiss.) kiss your ear (Soft kiss.) and your neck (Soft kiss.) like this (Soft kiss.) then my power over you grows ever stronger.

And as I gaze lovingly into your magnificent eyes, I can see that the draw of my power becomes even greater still.

My love, my sweet, sweet love, oh how I have longed for this day when you were utterly and completely mine.

I will love you and pamper you and care for you all of your days.

I will forever show you just how cherished and desired you are to me. And there's nothing that you will do to stop me.

That's right. I said there's nothing you WILL do. I didn't say that there's nothing you CAN do.

You see, I want to kiss you, my love. I want those sweet, tender lips all for myself, but in order to kiss you like that, I will have to remove your gag, and that will allow you to use your command ability. And, who knows, you just might be able to command me to stop and release you.

But if you do that, you won't be able to partake of my kiss, my touch, and my love.

So, as I remove your gag, you will have a few seconds to decide. Do you speak, or do you accept the embrace of my lips upon yours?

(Brief pause, then kiss. Following the kiss, Rebecca speaks normally again.)

Whoa. What happened? We're back. Back in your lab strapped to our chairs.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

You set a timer on the game to pull us out after one second? One second? That can't be. We were in the game for much longer than that.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Moving at the speed of thought? So the game was using the full abilities of our minds? Let me get this straight. While in the game, we were perceiving so much more than we are able to perceive here, that our very perception of time itself changed? That it's like time nearly stopped in the real world? A couple of minutes here would be like spending 200 years in there?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

My love, that's incredible. You're a genius.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh, yes. I did say “my love”, didn’t I? Well, that’s a testament to your game. Somehow, you not only simulated taste and smell and everything else, you actually made me feel like a real yandere. That’s amazing.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

What do you mean, the game isn’t designed to do that? Then why did I feel like that?

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Oh. I see. You’ve known that I’ve been stalking you for a while now.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

No, no. There’s no point in denying it now.

You brought me here and set up the game’s parameters so it would select yandere as a character for me to confirm your suspicions.

Wow. I said you were a genius and I was right. My love, you’re the smartest person I know. Possibly the smartest person alive.

But there’s one thing you didn’t account for, and that’s the fact that I was the one that strapped you into your chair. You see, I rigged it in such a way that you couldn’t get out without my help.

Struggle all you want, darling, but you’re hooked into your own machine until I say otherwise.

And since it’s Friday night, and nobody should be around until at least Monday morning, I’ll just adjust the time to pull us out at about 6:00 AM this coming Monday. That should give us about, oh, let’s say 5 million years in the game, give or take.

(Pause while listener speaks.)

Protest all you want, darling, but your command ability doesn't work out here.

And besides, we both know you decided not to use it while we were in the game.

And now I'm beginning to realize that you were fully aware of the way I strapped you into your chair, weren't you? In fact, you set yourself up ahead of time to need my help strapping you in knowing that I would tie you down like that.

(Brief pause while listener speaks.)

No? Really?

Well I may not be as smart as you, but I do know enough about science to know that I shouldn't just create a theory and call it done. I should put it to the test, shouldn't I?

So, let me do exactly that. I'll put my theory to the test. I'll let you decide what happens next.

(Brief pause while listener speaks.)

No, no. Really. On my word of honor. You decide now whether or not we reenter the game.

If you tell me to do so right now, I will unstrap myself from this chair and then I will unstrap you and we can go our separate ways. I'm not worried about what will happen next. After all, all we did was play a video game together. No harm done.

(Rebecca speaks slowly and seductively again.)

But if you would rather go back into the game and spend an eternity wrapped in my loving arms where I will feed you, care for you, caress you, dote over you, and in every way I can love you for the rest of time, then you just have to let me know.

So, what do you choose lover. Do I release you, or do I press this button?

(Pause, then a button clicks.)