mind the gap
the woes of a gap year kid
by franceslasday

I spent the last nine months of my life living in Israel. While I was there, I took classes, volunteered, made the most amazing friends that I ever had, and did a whole host of generally silly things. Most importantly, I put myself a whole lot of time and space away from my naïve High School mentality swapping it in for a slightly less naive, year older brand of mentality - it’s the new model.

When I arrived at UVM, I was nervous, like anybody else entering college would be. I thought to myself, Frances, you have been away from home for a whole year now, you can totally do this. I told myself all sorts of things like that as a kind of mantra as I tried, and failed, to fall asleep the night before move in. However, what I never expected was that people are not able to grasp the concept that although I did not move up in grade, I still got a year older.

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If delaying your grade in school kept you from aging, no one would ever graduate because everyone would want to stay 21 forever. This question often stems off into other questions like, “So does that make you a freshman?” or “Does that mean you’re a transfer student?” To which the answer is; kinda. I have enough credits to be a sophomore, or a transfer student, but I have never been to college before. “I’m a freshman this year, but I will be a junior next year,” I often reply, trying to make it easier for the person—who clearly has no idea what I’m talking about—to understand. Usually only get blank stares back in return, at which point I attempt to change the subject to how beautiful Burlington is.

The next shock I had when arriving at UVM was the loss of independence that I felt. Throughout my gap year program, I lived in apartments with roommates and we were responsible for cooking all of our own meals. Learning to cook and being responsible for my own budget were things that made me feel independent and free. Now, being in the dorms, and being forced to go on the freshman mandatory meal plan is quite an adjustment. I miss the family style dinners, the way the food was served family style and the heartiness that came with it.

#syria
what the shit is happening
by emmieheadrick

Syria is a trending topic on Twitter, which means that it’s time for all of us to get our acts together and learn about what the frick has actually been going on.

For the past few decades, freedoms for Syrian citizens have been very limited. Under the control of the Ba’ath party, Syria was placed under emergency rule from 1963 – 2011. That was 48 years of people living under what was essentially a dictatorship, with no ownership of their basic human rights. When Bashar al-Assad came into presidency in 2000 there was hope that he would bring the country back to a more democratic system, but that didn’t happen. Nevertheless, Assad was reelected as president in 2007 because the Ba’ath party was the only legal political party in Syria, and thus Assad was the only candidate on the ballot, giving him an easy 97% of the vote. Naturally, this pissed off the Syrians that were opposed to the Ba’ath party and, one revolutionary night in 2011, some of those teenagers happened upon a few cans of spray paint. A few slanders to the government were graffitied onto some buildings, and so began the Syrian Uprising.

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get inside me:
need a lift? by wesdunn
the end is near! by annahill
mid-calf socks by marilynmore

folktronica
by staceybrandt
USA “Doom” — The USA’s national soccer team lost 3-3 to Costa Rica on Friday night, ending a 12-game unbeaten streak. For 87 million, Microsoft has to come up with a replacement for both their array of Windows Phones and their low-end phablets. The competition is intense, with Apple and Google continually looking for another aggressive step by Microsoft to drive further innovation. We’ve seen the Windows 8 and Microsoft’s surge into the tablet business leaves doubts that the company could compete in the smartphone market. This is a win for Apple and Google, who could have reason to celebrate the Obama administration is proposing an air strike on Syria. This is why Obama is feeling like maybe, we should do something about the situation. The information I have is incredibly cliché, but I’m okay with it working together to find a new way to resolve conflict. This means of guns and bombs and wars, and we need to start change, one day we will actually make it happen.

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As you may know, UVM recently made it mandatory for all first-year students to purchase an unlimited access meal plan. I am highly disappointed by this decision.

As described on the dining services website, the philosophy behind this push is as follows: “Rather than budgeting your meal plans, you can focus on getting acquainted with UVM, your classes, getting involved and eating with friends and hallmates.”

Making this decision is a bit suspect because UVM freshmen are too incompressible to feed themselves. It suggests that if we were to go on the budgeting option, this grade would suffer, we would not be able to deepend our college experience, and we would not engage in basic hygienic procedures such as eating in any club or fraternity. Our awkward stage presence would form. Essentially, we would not be able to stop running out of points. Granted, UVM is not being completely irrational—working with a budget is something that is not easy for everybody. However, it is an extremely important feature of the college that we would not be able to afford. Times of stress and responsibilities of our daily lives by being a lot like college. As described on the dining services website, the meal plans are intended to provide real world practice with minimal stress—although some people may need to add more, that is not the end of the world, and nobody will stare.

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This past summer I scoped out several new movies in my native DC area to test the waters of the 2013 summer blockbuster. After coming out of This is the End, I felt that my bar had been set. But when the sky breaks for bro-out weekend in L.A. Their hellish Baruchel and tells the story of their hoped The End has got it all.

level masturbation jokes, and more drugs hilariously gory celebrity deaths, teenage-thing like me, you can't resist a movie with ambitious. Additionally, you can set the app ese, or any combination of the aforemen Spanish, English, German, Italian, Portug C Candy Crush, but its objective, instead of discovered DuoLingo.

Each language is taught through an extensien, Japanese, Chinese, and Korean. I used to have the exact same addiction as you do; my room is a mess and I've never even looked up at the ceiling. What a waste of time. I did get into another language at that point, but I never kept it up long enough to gain any benefit from it. -

The other aspect of the game is sharing with your friends the hilarious, arbitrarily created sentences that duoIn English, you can actually talk with fellow players using English, Spanish, French, German, Italian, Portugu
e, or any combination of the aforementioned languages including all of them if you feel like it. Additionally, you cannot set the app to teach you the language through flashcards or anything else. You have to actually sit down and read the sentences from your phone to the other players. This is a great way to learn a language, but it can be time-consuming. I would recommend spending at least 15 minutes a day on the app, but I did not do this during the summer because I was too busy with other activities. However, I did find that using DuoLingo helped me improve my language skills, even if it was just for a few minutes each day.

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Vegan/Vegetarian
If this has been you liking eating healthy, then kudos, if you aren’t a vegan a vegetarian prior to coming to UVM, then there are two possibilities: 1. You’re on the skinny brick diet (which again deserves some serious kudos), or 2. you’re just dabbling in the behavior to be more UVM- y. Should the latter be the case, you are generally found on Brown’s hill, and you are probably currently perusing the unlimited meal plan which is all the rage amongst the sophomores about the college. I’m here to tell you that the food here is exceptional. Plus, you’re not missing out on any of the drinks. When you find yourself craving a cold beer, bicycle to Main and order one from the unlimited meal plan. I mean, who doesn’t love a free beer? You’re not only saving money but also doing your part for a healthier lifestyle.

Sodastream
If you’re a fan of sodastream, you’ve probably heard of the little machine that’s taking over college campuses. If you’re not familiar with it, it’s a device that allows you to make your own sodas at home. The process is simple: you fill the machine with tap water and add a flavor mix to create your own custom soda. The benefits of using a sodastream are numerous. First, it saves you money. Second, you can control the amount of sugar and artificial sweeteners in your soda. Finally, it’s great for the environment because you’re reducing waste. 

Food Truckism
This applies to all students because we all become obsessed with food trucks. When you see a food truck, you feel drawn to it like a magnet. The food is always fresh, and the prices are usually lower than what you would pay at a restaurant. Plus, you can try different cuisines from around the world. If you’re interested in exploring new flavors, a food truck is the perfect place to do so. You can try it out on a whim, and if you don’t like it, you can always try something else. It’s a great way to step out of your comfort zone and try new things.

Remember to check out the overalls on the blog! thewatertower.tumblr.com

You kept moving in as the class arrived. I was until I saw you, being so deaf and dumb. Should you ever time come and the energy would come back and live it to them. Should you fall into this category, your parents would scold you for spending so much money on off-campus food, you would continue to avoid all things Sodexo for your UVM career. You will craftily find out which vendors take Cat$cratch, and your tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes. Our first attempt at sustaining ourselves is always scouring out opportunities to inhale free food on campus, and our tupperware will be their proudest members when the time comes.
Soukla (soul-polka)

Do you think the folk song "I Ain't a Natural Woman" just missing something? I mean if it were the blues, but I think it could have really been honed from the accordion. Think about how much life benefited from the joyful repriations of college student within ear shot.

Blue Class (blues-classical)

Sometimes people are put off by blue music because it sounds red neck and red necks are supposedly unlearned, so by transact you enjoy blue and do not bother with this stigma, so I propose that it is married to the genre of blue, which is considered to be.

There is no reason that a banjo player should not be getting down to back that market, a symphony orchestra busting out not be getting down to Bach or, for that matter.

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We've got Badfish, The Casualties at Metal Monday's, Blitzen Trapper, and motherfucking Bill Cosby just to name a few.

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