

****French Café Music Plays**** “Are you sure?” I ask doubtfully as I take a bite out of my croissant. “Of course, why do you think you’ll mess up the interview?” Simba questions. I look over my shoulder only to find the Brooklyn Bridge towering over me, while I ponder a way to respond. “You’re overwhelmed, Aren’t you? You’ll do very well, I’m sure,” he says reassuringly. “Yeah, I think I need another”— ****arguing outbreaks**** “mocha” I finish. I see the disappointment in the barista’s eyes and I decide to walk away from the hightops to the pick-up area.

“I’m lactose intolerant! I asked for a vanilla oat milk latté, not a lavender latté!” yells a young man. “I am so sorry I’ll remake it right away, I didn’t realize,” she said. – “Just hurry up.” he says in a moody tone. I asked him to reflect on his behavior and held up the mirror of introspection. My companion, Luna Raven (my domesticated raven that goes by the nickname Raven), assisted him in comprehending how his barista felt as a result of him hollering, Raven explained that the barista felt upset as well as a little bit frustrated and disappointed He realized the effect he had on the barista and immediately apologized I walk back to the hightops, finish the penultimate sip of my mocha and we are off for my interview. We are headed to colossal north-east Manhattan for a notable segment of the Saturday news, ***Characteristics of Charisma***. We get on the Metro and 39 minutes later I’m in the most extraordinary lobby I’ve ever witnessed .

The coruscating brass bell at the front desk, the cloud-like barrel chairs, the glistening water of the recirculating fountain, the shimmering chandelier, and the century oak countertops are absolutely stunning.

I amble over to the elevator and press the button that correlates with floor 19. When I arrive there are concessions. I grab miso ramen, refreshing butterfly pea tea lemonade, and luscious strawberry New York style cheesecake. I meet the reporter who is going to interview me, his name is Theodore Bierhals. He is quite an interesting person. *3 hours later* It's time for my interview.

*** Filming begins* "My name is Theodore Bierhals , this is A *Correspondent's Guide to Life*. The guest today is Reagan Raven, she is the sidekick of Self-Aware Simba. Reagan I have a few questions for you." he says. "Ask away." I reply. " I heard you help people reflect upon their behavior. How do you fulfill it?"**

Theodore asks. " I do help people reflect on their actions. When their behavior has a negative effect on a person, place, etc., I help them take note of what they've done that might need to change, give them advice on how to "mend" the situation, and behave better in the future. I also acknowledge good behavior. I fulfill it by staying focused on my goal of helping people" I say.

“I have another question, do you have any assistants that help you complete the job?” he asks. “ I do, my pet Raven and The Mirror of Introspection. In a more unfavorable scenario, I would briefly converse with the person in which was behaving inadequately and show them the Mirror of Introspection. The mirror would then show them their past actions. Raven would then explain how the actions or words affected the person or environment. Finally, I would tell them possible ways to fix it. Of course I do it lightly. In a “better” scenario I would simply recognize the good attitude and behavior.” I respond.

“ Do you have a nickname that correlates with your contributions? If so, what is its significance?” he questions. “

Yes, I do, my nickname is Reflective Reagan. It is important because I think being aware of your actions and the effect it has on the person and the environment is vital to the overall quality of our society. My nickname helps me to encourage good behavior and enforce it, not just with people but with the environment too.”

I answer.

“That is the end of our segment today but tune in tomorrow,” he says.

I walk out of the complex and Simba is waiting for me, “ And you thought you wouldn’t do well. I knew you would do well. You help people when it is necessary, you did it this morning.” he says.

Then I go to aid someone else, taking in a well earned gulp of air while Raven climbs onto my shoulder and caws an energetic caw . I sigh a contented sigh, skyscrapers surrounding me in busy Manhattan. Then at that moment I look into the mirror. After all, nobody is perfect.

More about Reagan Raven, Luna Raven (Raven), and the Mirror of Introspection (not part of the story)

Reagan Raven: Reagan goes by her nickname reflective Reagan, in this story she is set in her hometown New York City. She has a pet forest raven (Luna Raven/Raven) and the Mirror of Introspection, they aid her in helping people be self-reflective. She is a 34 year old human. She sets an example for all people, especially children. In the beginning of the story she is not only overwhelmed solely because of the interview but also overwhelmed because she just got hired to work beside Self-Aware Simba. She is also recognized for helping Jane Goodall be aware of her surroundings particularly the Rainforest and environment.

Luna Raven/Raven: Raven is Reagan's pet raven, she helps Reagan primarily by helping the person become aware of the

effect their actions resulted in (or can result in). She also helps when Reagan or anyone else is feeling any “bad” emotions.

The Mirror of Introspection: The Mirror of Introspection is Reagan’s tool, it is considered nonliving but has living properties. This object helps Reagan primarily by helping the person become aware of their actions and the cause of the effect (as opposed to Raven finding the effect of the cause). It can also help you identify your emotions when you are unsure.

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