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FREEDOM

DRIVE

2022

DEMAND #1
Improve access
to Personal Assistance

DEMAND #3
Use EU funds for
community-based supports and
services

DEMAND #2
End institutionalisation of
disabled people

DEMAND #4
Decrease the disability
employment gap





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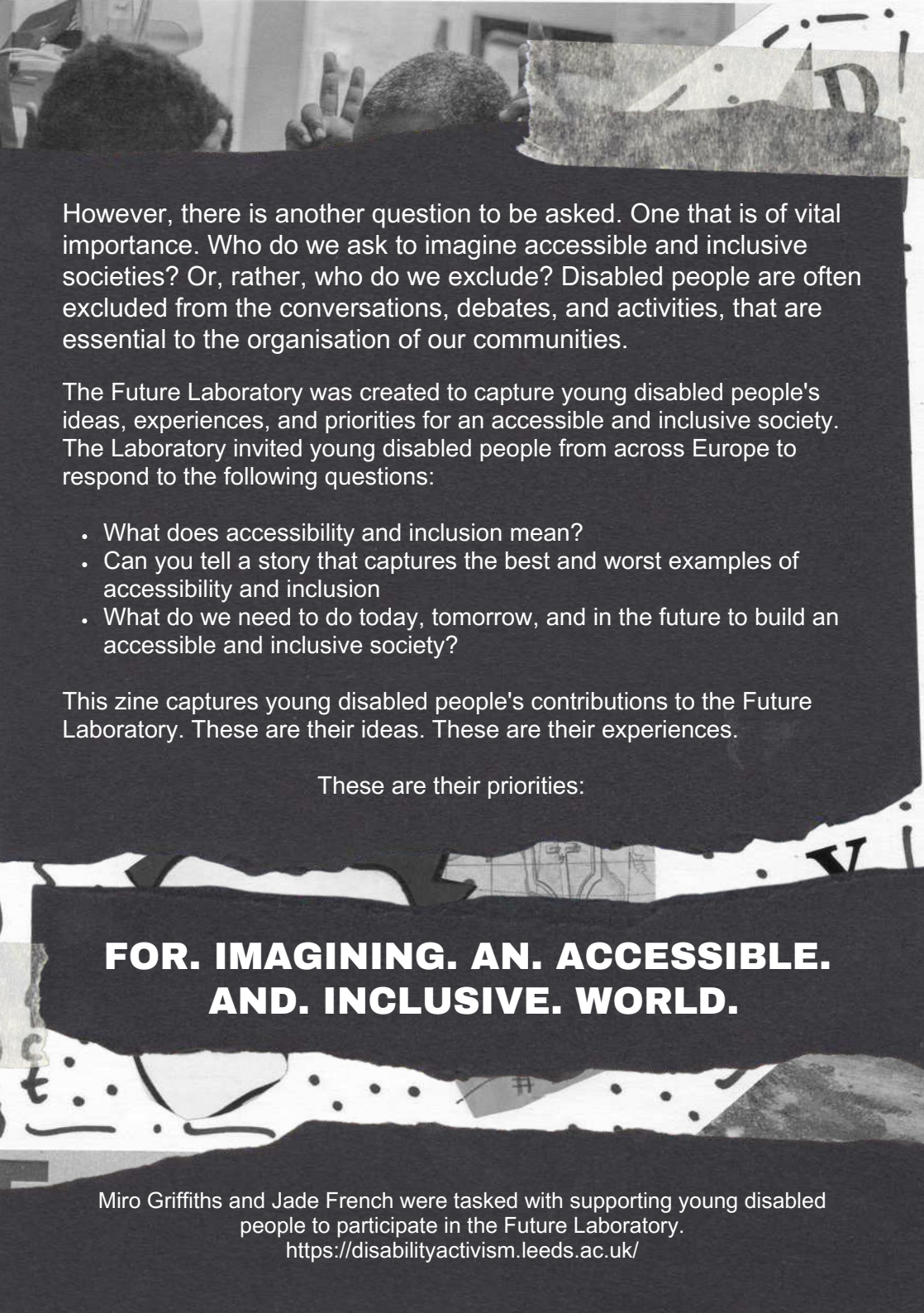
AAA

Inclusion. Accessibility. Social Justice.

These are words we (disabled people) often use when demanding change. We want accessible ways to participate in our communities, we want to be valued and included in society, and we want to live in a world that is fair, safe, and equitable.

- What, then, is an accessible and inclusive society?
- What is required to realise accessibility and inclusion?
- And, how do we know when we are living in accessible, inclusive, and socially just societies?

These are difficult, challenging, and complex questions; but, they are questions that can help us to imagine, create, and experiment to build a better world.



However, there is another question to be asked. One that is of vital importance. Who do we ask to imagine accessible and inclusive societies? Or, rather, who do we exclude? Disabled people are often excluded from the conversations, debates, and activities, that are essential to the organisation of our communities.

The Future Laboratory was created to capture young disabled people's ideas, experiences, and priorities for an accessible and inclusive society. The Laboratory invited young disabled people from across Europe to respond to the following questions:

- What does accessibility and inclusion mean?
- Can you tell a story that captures the best and worst examples of accessibility and inclusion
- What do we need to do today, tomorrow, and in the future to build an accessible and inclusive society?

This zine captures young disabled people's contributions to the Future Laboratory. These are their ideas. These are their experiences.

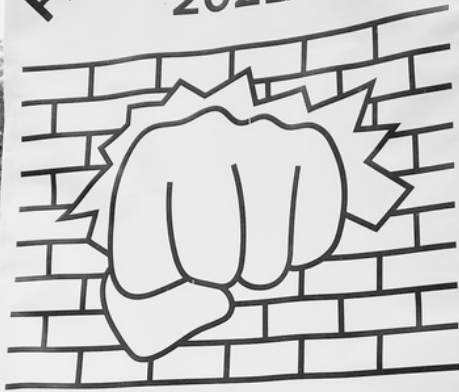
These are their priorities:

**FOR. IMAGINING. AN. ACCESSIBLE.
AND. INCLUSIVE. WORLD.**

Miro Griffiths and Jade French were tasked with supporting young disabled people to participate in the Future Laboratory.

<https://disabilityactivism.leeds.ac.uk/>

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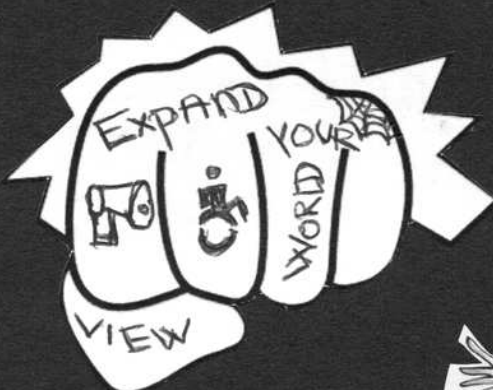
PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

HEY THERE!

are you

going to the

Manifestation?



OWN

Yours!

I SAY SCREW 'EM!



CHANGE

DIET LISTE

STAFF LIST

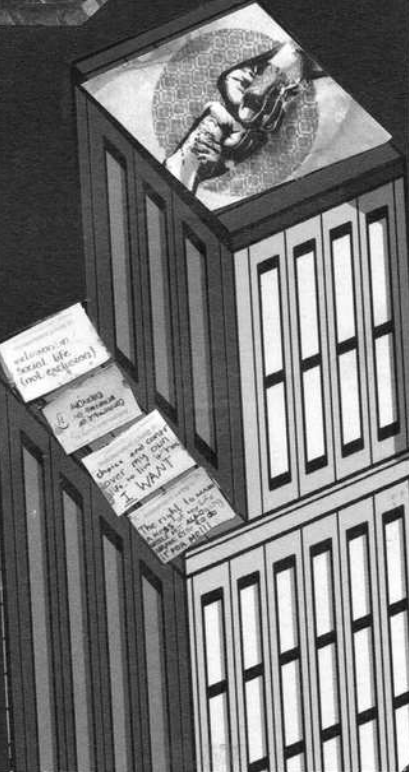
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...to learn an
...life
(not expensive)

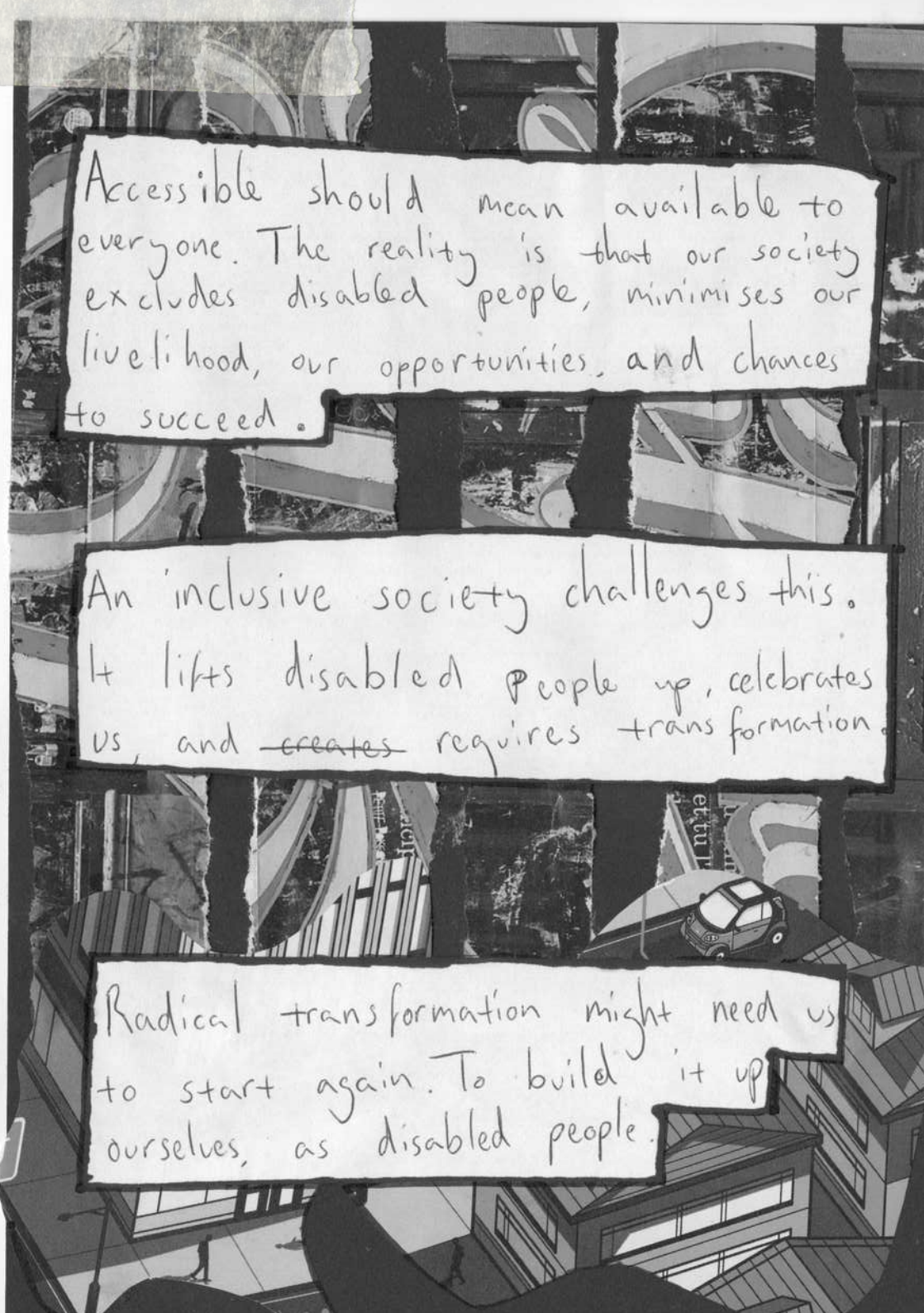
...to learn
...life
...WAST

...to learn
...life
...WAST



IF YOU ALWAYS
DO WHAT YOU'VE
ALWAYS DONE YOU
WILL ALWAYS GET
WHAT YOU HAVE
ALWAYS GOT.

BE THE
CHANGE



Accessible should mean available to everyone. The reality is that our society excludes disabled people, minimises our livelihood, our opportunities, and chances to succeed.

An 'inclusive society' challenges this. It lifts disabled people up, celebrates us, and ~~creates~~ requires transformation.

Radical transformation might need us to start again. To build it up ourselves, as disabled people.



SOMETIMES
I WONDER...

WHY HAVE WE
CREATED THE
WORDS
"ACCESSIBLE"
AND
"INCLUSIVE"



? ? ?

IF WE
ARE ALL
CHILDREN
OF
THE WORLD.

? ? ?



COOL CRIPS

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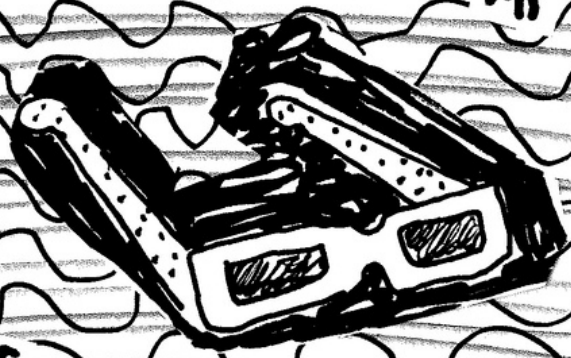
COOL CRIPS

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COOL CRIPS

YEAH I KNOW

MY



ARE

COOL

BUT

RESPECT

SENSIBILITIES,

OTHER

THAN

YOURS

IN

ALL

CULTURAL

PRACTISES

FOR WHAT I MEAN "sensitivity" check: M. Corke, (2007)

MDV.

Management





**Inclusive Sports
for everyone**

For students with a disability or for our Disability and Inclusion Support of support to help you get involved in physical activity and sports can have a positive impact on the well-being of our students. Our dedicated Disability and Inclusion Support Officer



**MARCUS
RASHFORD**

**YOU ARE A
CHAMPION**

**HOW TO BE THE
BEST YOU CAN BE**



IS DIFFERENT / 1

WATCH SPORT

OP

PREMIER LEAGUE



BIRMINGHAM 2022

FIVE



Mustak Alhamdulillah Farok Rasyid
performer
Birmingham in a Century



VOG CER

clinique happy!
FOR MEN

wilko

"money...
phone...
tissues"

TER HOKER
CKET HOLDER
RATSAJIA

STANDING
Ernie van 't Hooft
Tijger Belemmer M
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FAKE
BLOOD
SPRAY

PUZZLES!

help!

Instructions

Listen
change lives

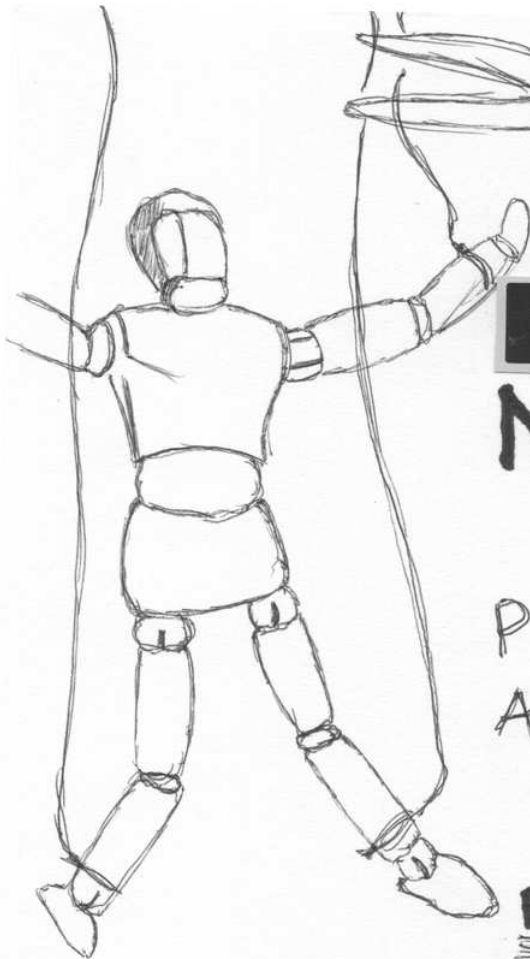
BE A PART OF IT

ADDITION

IMAGINATION

Aspire





**PUPPET
NO MORE**

PERSONAL
AUTONOMY

must

BE

PRIORITIZED

Collective conversation about tangible change, followed by collective action, will result in progress and inclusion. Accessibility means flexibility and understanding of all bodyminds.

Challenge

COMPETITIVE
expectations

your value is not rooted
in your productivity. It is
rooted in your humanity.

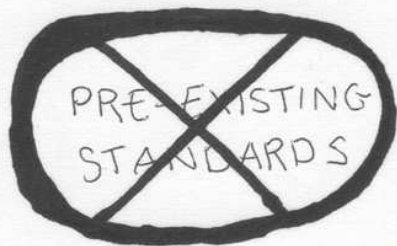
CAPITALISTIC
expectations

BARRIERS
OF REST

you always deserve
rest. You cannot earn
it. Rest must be freely
taken.

We must incorporate technology
into an accessible future.

NO MORE
"NORMAL"



HISTORY IS STILL BEING WRITTEN...

PROGRESS MUST
BE
NOW

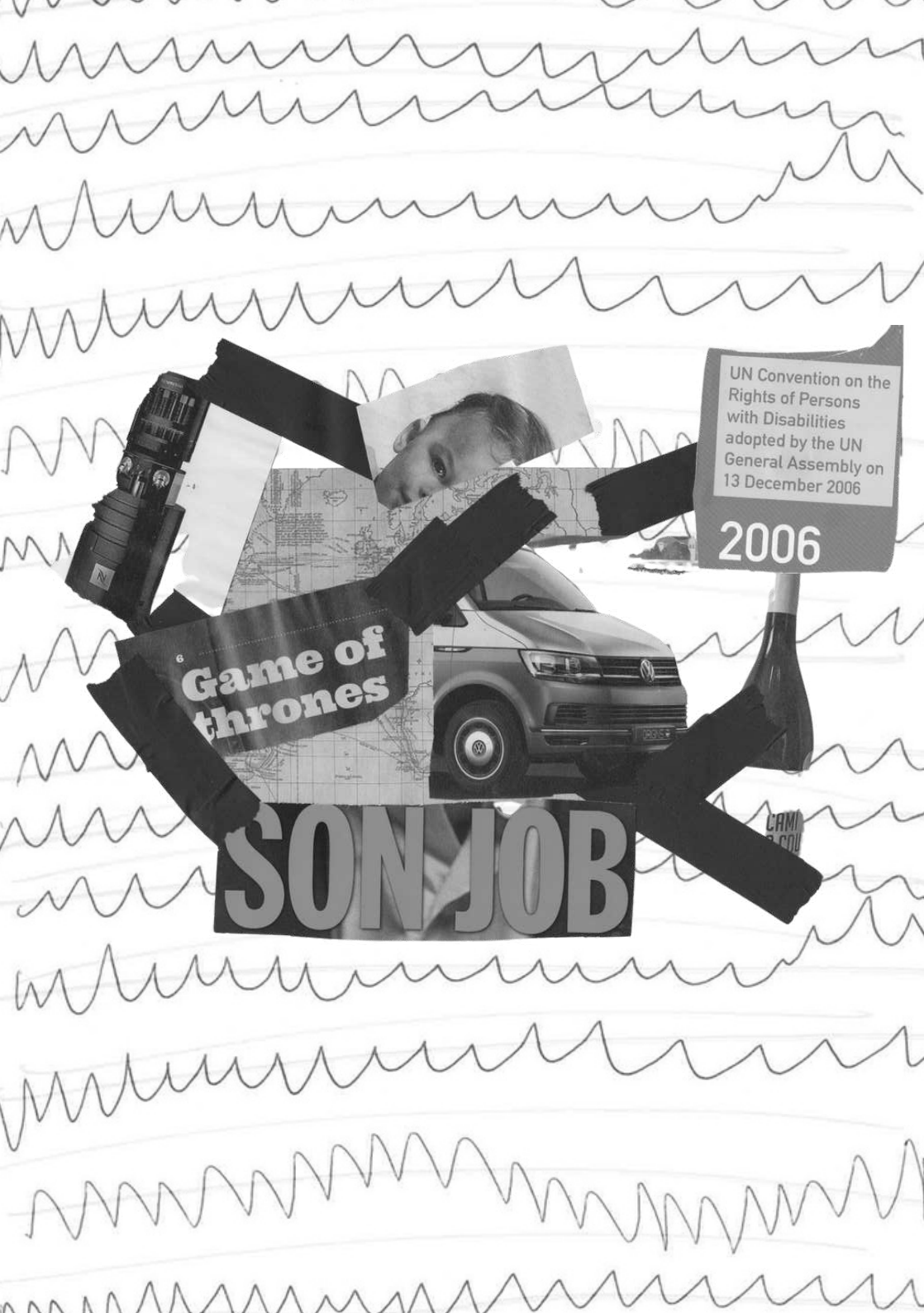
UN Convention on the
Rights of Persons
with Disabilities
adopted by the UN
General Assembly on
13 December 2006

2006

Game of
thrones

SON JOB

CAM
300



Independent Living

Inclusion



Go-production

Go-design



Proud - Strong - Visible





Equality



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Freedom

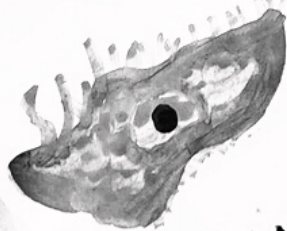


I'm
ALLOWED
TO REST



I DISMANTLE
THE SYSTEMS
THAT DISABLES ME

I LOVE
myself



I AM WORTHY

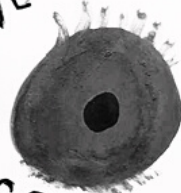


NEURODIVERGENT

PLEASE
BE
UNIQUE



PRODUCTIVITY
IS
A LIE

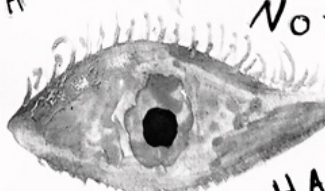


SEXY IS
A VIBE
NOT A BODY
TYPE

DISABLED
by
Society

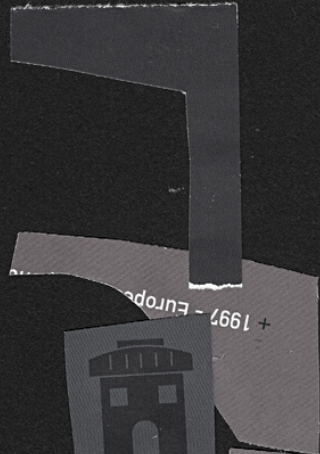
I
CAN
say
No

I HATE
my pain,
Not myself





Article 19 in
European Union



+ 1997 - Europe



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Expert
Dublin




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PREMIUM

PREMIUM
ZERO
OVERALL

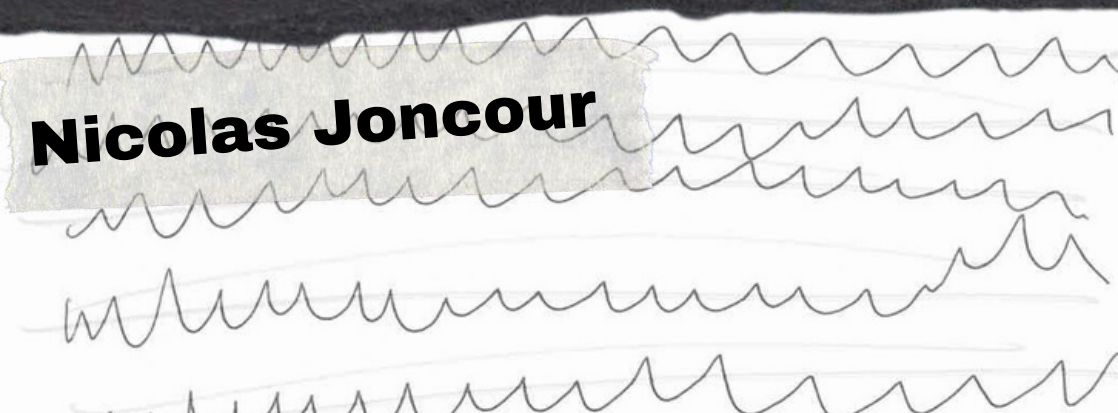
FUCK

AAAAAAA



I expect our society to treat every individual with respect and consideration no matter what they look like, what their brain is like, what their job is like, what their ethnicity is like, what their gender is like, what their religious affiliation is like, I think it's depressing to have to apologize for who we are, as if we were the ones who had to constantly make an effort to become horribly standardized humans.

I am a person with rights and I have no reason to feel guilty for finding this world globally inadequate and inaccessible. I will fight until the day you no longer think of us as people to eliminate, pitied with a tear in your eye, or as superheroes to be glorified.



Nicolas Joncour

OUR IMPAIRMENTS MAY
BE CHRONIC

BUT B*TGH WE'RE
IGONIG!

BE THE QUEER
THE

ESTABLISHMENT
FEAR

Closing thoughts, Miro

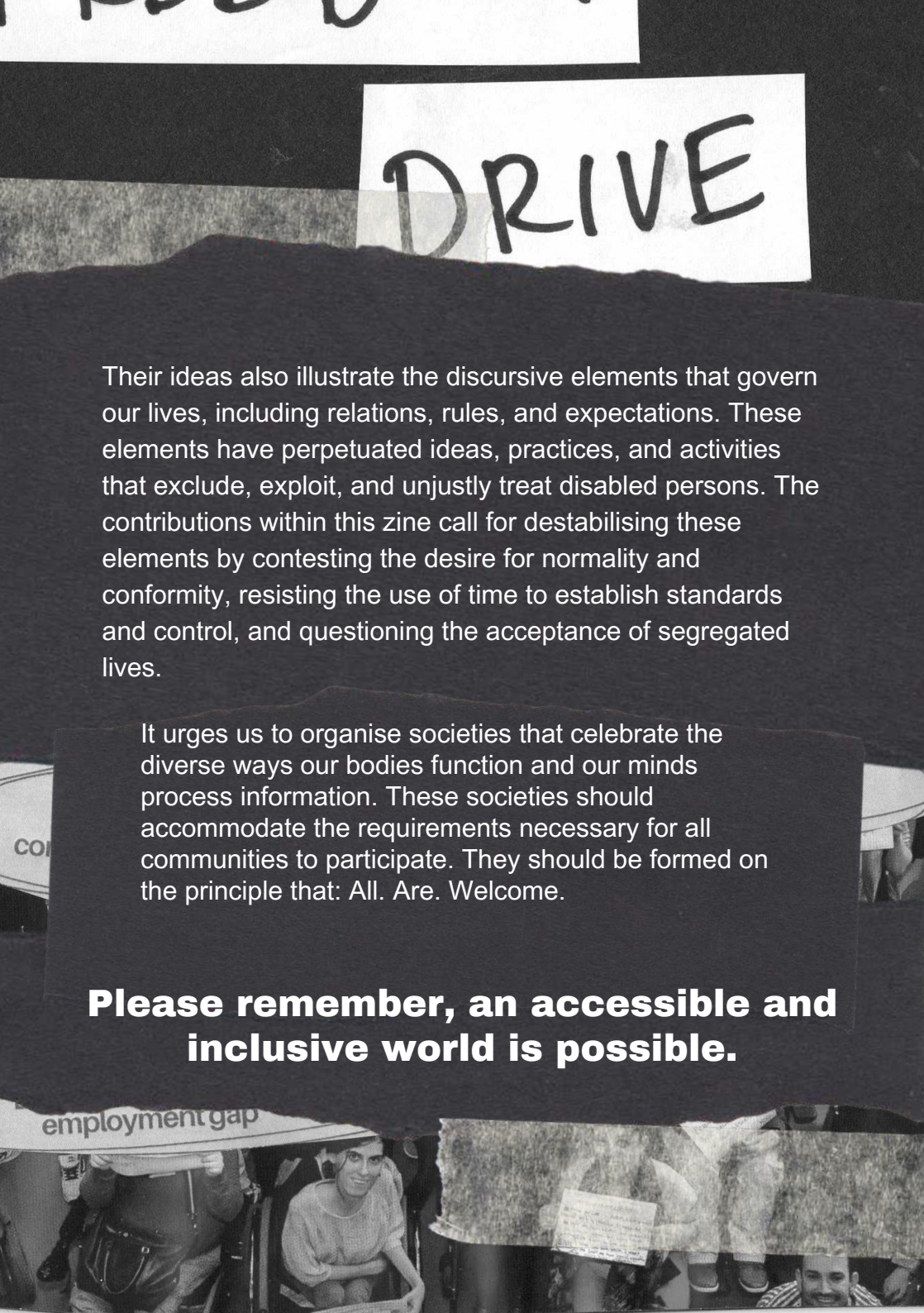
This zine captures the imaginings and creativities of young disabled individuals, envisioning accessible and inclusive societies. Their imaginings aim to identify, disrupt, contest, and resist the existing components and arrangements that shape our social world.

Their ideas draw attention to the material requirements essential for supporting disabled people to live, thrive, and flourish. Accessible infrastructure, including buildings, spaces, and transportation, is crucial for creating homes we desire to live in, places we want to visit, and journeys we wish to experience.

Financial protections, such as social security, sufficient welfare, and opportunities to engage in accessible forms of labour, are necessary for ensuring adequate and sustained protection in daily life.

The zine serves as a demand for change.





DRIVE

Their ideas also illustrate the discursive elements that govern our lives, including relations, rules, and expectations. These elements have perpetuated ideas, practices, and activities that exclude, exploit, and unjustly treat disabled persons. The contributions within this zine call for destabilising these elements by contesting the desire for normality and conformity, resisting the use of time to establish standards and control, and questioning the acceptance of segregated lives.

It urges us to organise societies that celebrate the diverse ways our bodies function and our minds process information. These societies should accommodate the requirements necessary for all communities to participate. They should be formed on the principle that: All. Are. Welcome.

Please remember, an accessible and inclusive world is possible.

employment gap



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It is a part of a research project 'Disability Activism in Europe:
Young Disabled Activist's Views and Experiences' that
explores understandings of disability activism, politics, and
the resistance practices of young disabled activists across
Europe.