

Amatonormativity is “the assumption that a central, exclusive, amorous relationship is normal for humans, in that it is a universally shared goal, and that such a relationship is normative, in that it should be aimed in preference to other relationship types”

I know that’s a bit much, so let me simplify it for you

Amatonormativity is a young girl being told that one day she will grow up and marry a man

Amaronormativity is a young boy being told that one day he will have a loving wife and a son

Amatonormativity is the holy union, chastity rings, the social construct of being a virgin

It’s those really creep shirts for kids that say things like “womanizer”

It’s kindergarteners getting married on the playground when they’re far too young to know what love is

It’s the concept of the friendzone, “just friends”, “more than friends”

Like there’s something more important than friendship

It’s in the chalky taste of the Valentine’s Day hearts, in the narrow rainbows of a rom com CD, in the d minor chord of a love song

It’s the threads woven into the red string, inked onto unblemished skin, the loose spring under the only bed in the room.

It’s the cosine of the triangle, the knife turned inward, the bloodstained tears.

It’s the one note missing from the rhythm, the signs of butterflies in spring, the tumbles and flips of a gymnast within a held breath.

It’s there from when take our first steps to when we take our last breathes and everything in between

Maybe there’s something wrong with me, I can’t seem to fall in love

Maybe there’s something wrong with me, I don’t want to have kids

Maybe there’s something wrong with them

How sad is it, that your sitting alone on Valentine's Day with no date?

Not sad at all

Love isn't an escalator

There's no top, no pinnacle, no option above the others. A signed piece of paper does not mean that you are whole. A cake, a dress, and a veil does not mean that you are complete.

Some of us are complete just sitting on our bed, eating cereal straight from the box, and talking to our friends

Fuck amatonormativity

I'm happy just the way I am