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What Makes You Strange?

Here's one of the most important questions you'll ever be asked: What makes you strange?

To become truly excellent at anything, you can't be ordinary. Something about you—your habits, your mindset, your way of seeing the world—has to be different.

This question matters because most people spend their time and energy trying to fit in, to be "normal." But when you focus on blending in, you lose sight of your own talents and gifts.

To grow into your best self, start by noticing what sets you apart.

- Do you spend hours writing adventure stories no one asked for?
- When you watch sports, do you analyze the plays like a coach?
- Do you find joy in solving problems others avoid?
- Do you notice details most people miss?

Instead of asking, How can I fit in? ask, What makes me different—and how can I use it? Because what makes you strange might just be what makes you great.

Write what makes you "strange" below. Be specific and detailed.