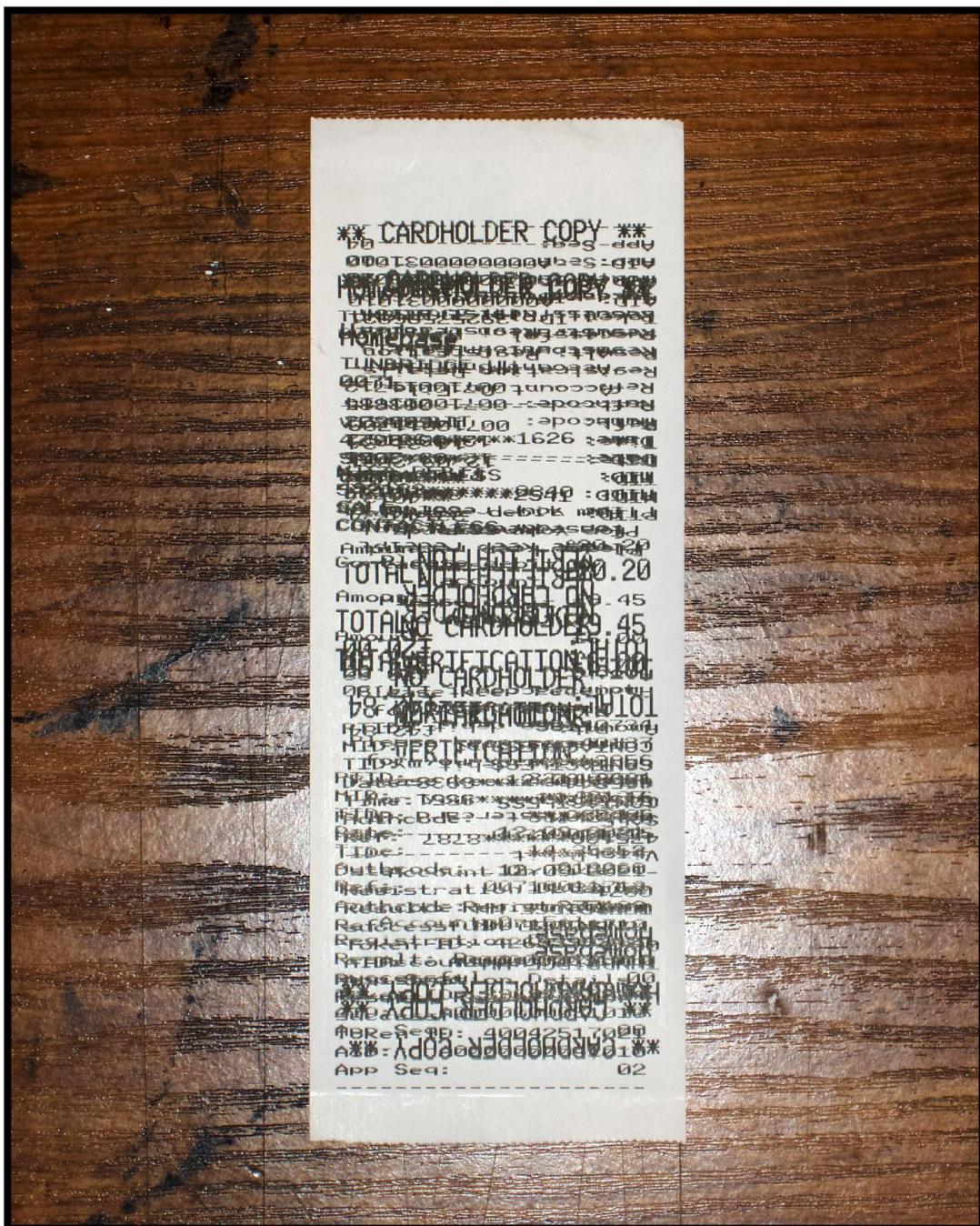


## #11 : MY WORK, MY LIFE, AND OTHER POEMS.

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This week's article consists of two sections. 'My work and my life' then 'other poems'.



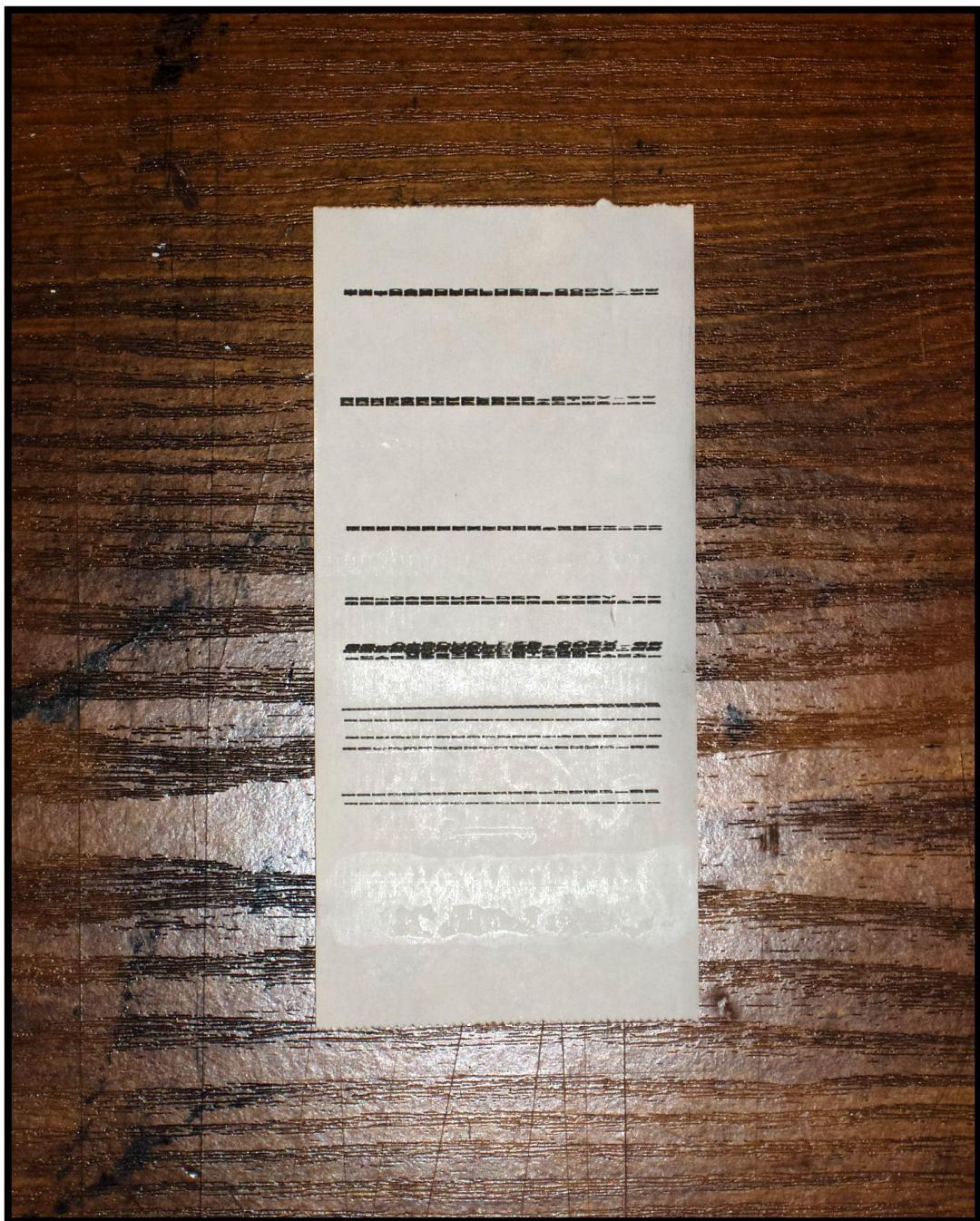
## **MY WORK AND MY LIFE.**

I got a job. A good job that has given me a lot. Like any job, I am compensated by a company to have my life oppressed within pre-agreed upon time slots. My role is to prevent entropy from destroying the business. And I don't mind it. This role has taken various forms since starting. Some were better than others and my current one is by far the most enjoyable.

I wouldn't say my job is fulfilling. It is part-filling until I find something that really makes me feel real.

My life has always been a whirlwind of decisions based on ever changing ideals. I have never found a job that I knew would be right for me and I am not there yet.





As a lot of you may know, I deferred my place at UAL (University of the Arts London) to do a master's in Art & Science. The primary reason being that I just found the regular purpose and income from working for a company was

more fulfilling than the transient, sparse, and expensive life at university.

Since taking up the job, I gradually began to stop drawing. I was taking a lot more photos but the part of me that loved the intellectual world of abstraction was withering away.

My view on the UAL offer has now changed. I have been working for almost a year now and I feel like I am already at the ceiling of the 'meaning' in this job.

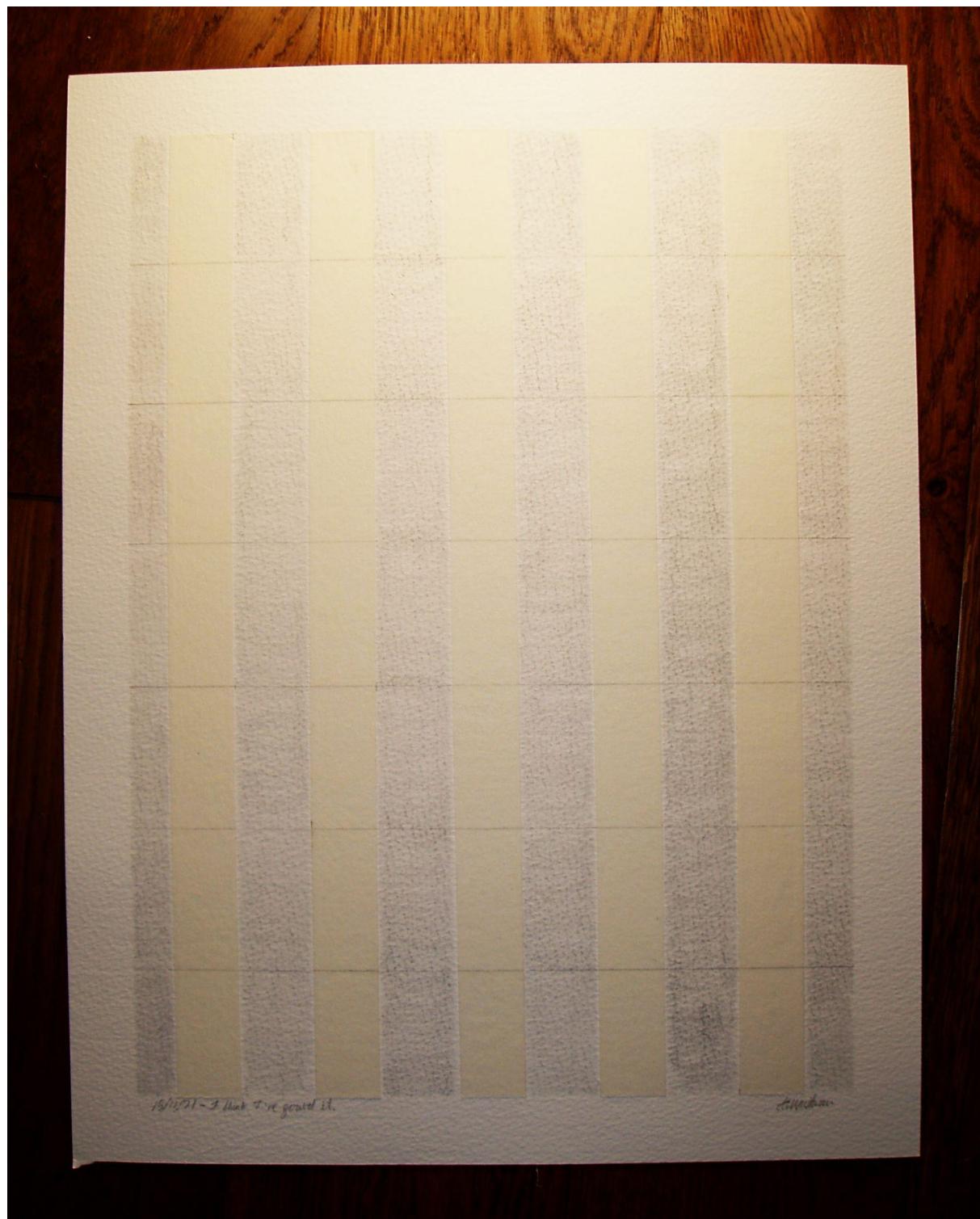


I have accepted my place at UAL for Sep 2022. I am going to do a master's and after I aim to work at the university in some way or another. I'd like to do some lecturing and some more writing around philosophy, art, and science. Science

photojournalism? It all sounds too idyllic to me but it is not out of my reach. If it all goes tits up, I can at least crawl back to Homebase.



After accepting my 2022 place at UAL. I found my inspiration to draw came back almost immediately. The point to my drawing resurfaced and I created the first hand drawn artwork that I was proud of in literally 4 months (below). That tells me something.



Doesn't look like much. I wanted to create something quiet.

**AND OTHER POEMS.**

## Sainsbury

cat litter  
OJ  
milk  
steak  
onion rings  
baking potato  
kiwi  
beer  
rolls  
cat food  
cheese select  
root dinner  
contact lens sol.  
soap  
razors  
tuna  
corn  
man & chicken  
baby potato  
pie

## Stop

hash brown  
soup  
grated cheese  
creme eggs

## £10

- 9v's  
- torch paste  
- dog card

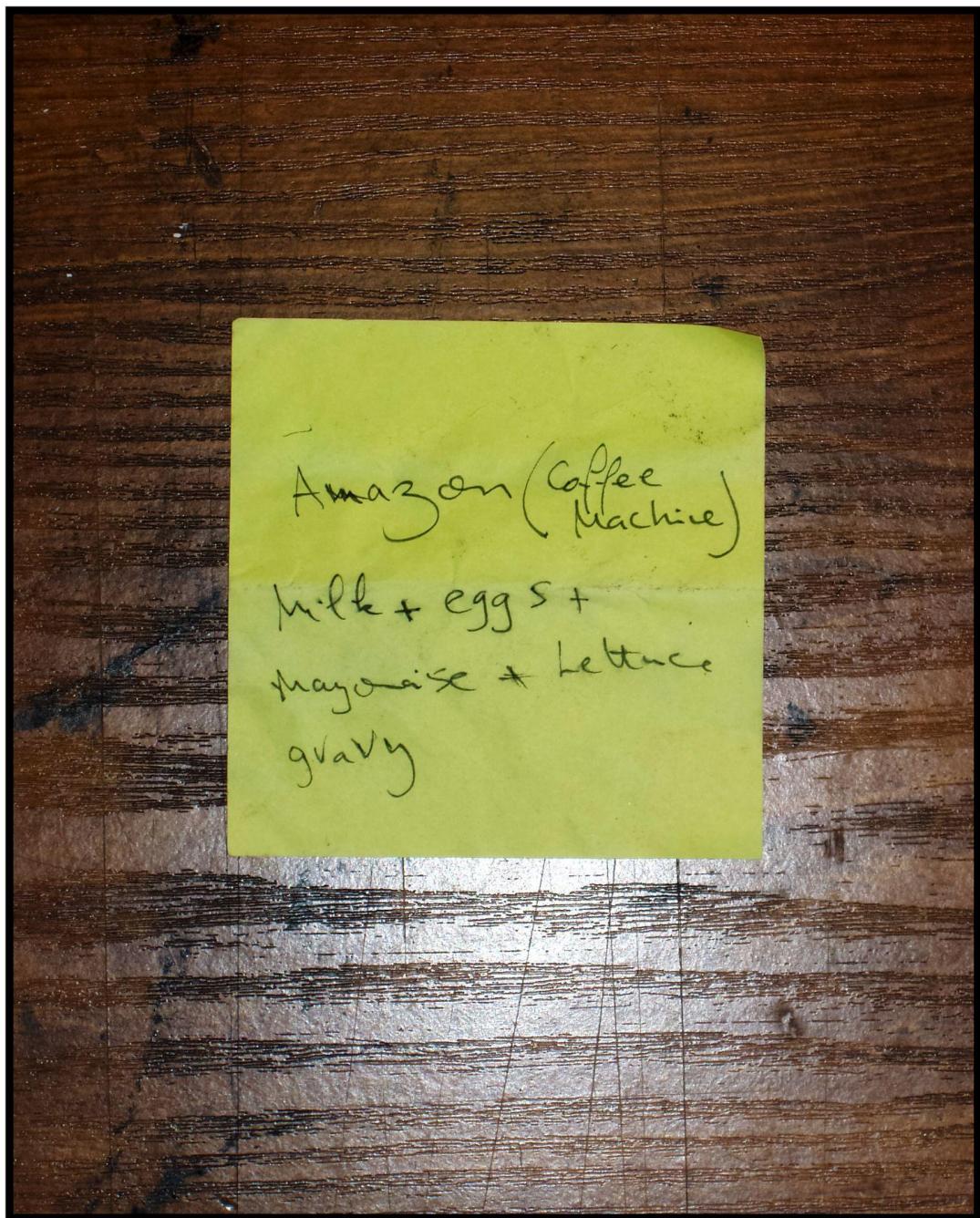
## Other

- nail bar  
- fence life red  
- evolock  
- car key  
- central heating  
- guttering  
- protector  
- shed

I work at Homebase. At a specific Homebase that is located on the far side of a terribly designed car park. On the other side of said car park is a bloody massive Sainsbury's. I'm

not a fan. The car park is a nightmare to walk through every day and a big Sainsbury's means that there are just far too many cars.

Besides that, I have discovered a curiosity about the carpark. These unusual poems that I keep finding.



They have clearly been written with intention and dropped on accident. These mysterious notes describe little about the authors. Discarded, they lie lost and scattered on the tarmac.

~~Milk~~  
~~butter~~  
~~cheese~~  
~~bread~~  
~~chicken~~  
~~onions~~  
~~garlic~~  
~~herbs~~  
~~garlic~~  
~~red lentils~~  
~~lemons~~  
~~honey~~  
~~beer~~  
~~tea~~  
~~beef stock cubes~~ | ~~chicken stock cubes~~  
~~pomegranate molasses~~  
~~bleach~~  
~~Strong White Plain flour~~  
~~peanut oil~~  
~~biscuits~~  
~~chees biscuits~~  
~~almonds~~ | ~~peaches~~ | ~~strawberries~~  
~~double cream~~  
~~Potatoes~~ | ~~New Potatoes~~ | ~~2 bakes~~  
~~zucchini~~ | ~~potatoes~~

Club  
Choc  
Mint Sauce  
Actimil  
New Pots

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CashOut  
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## BOTH TEAMS SCORE YOU WIN MORE

Monday 8th - Friday 12th November

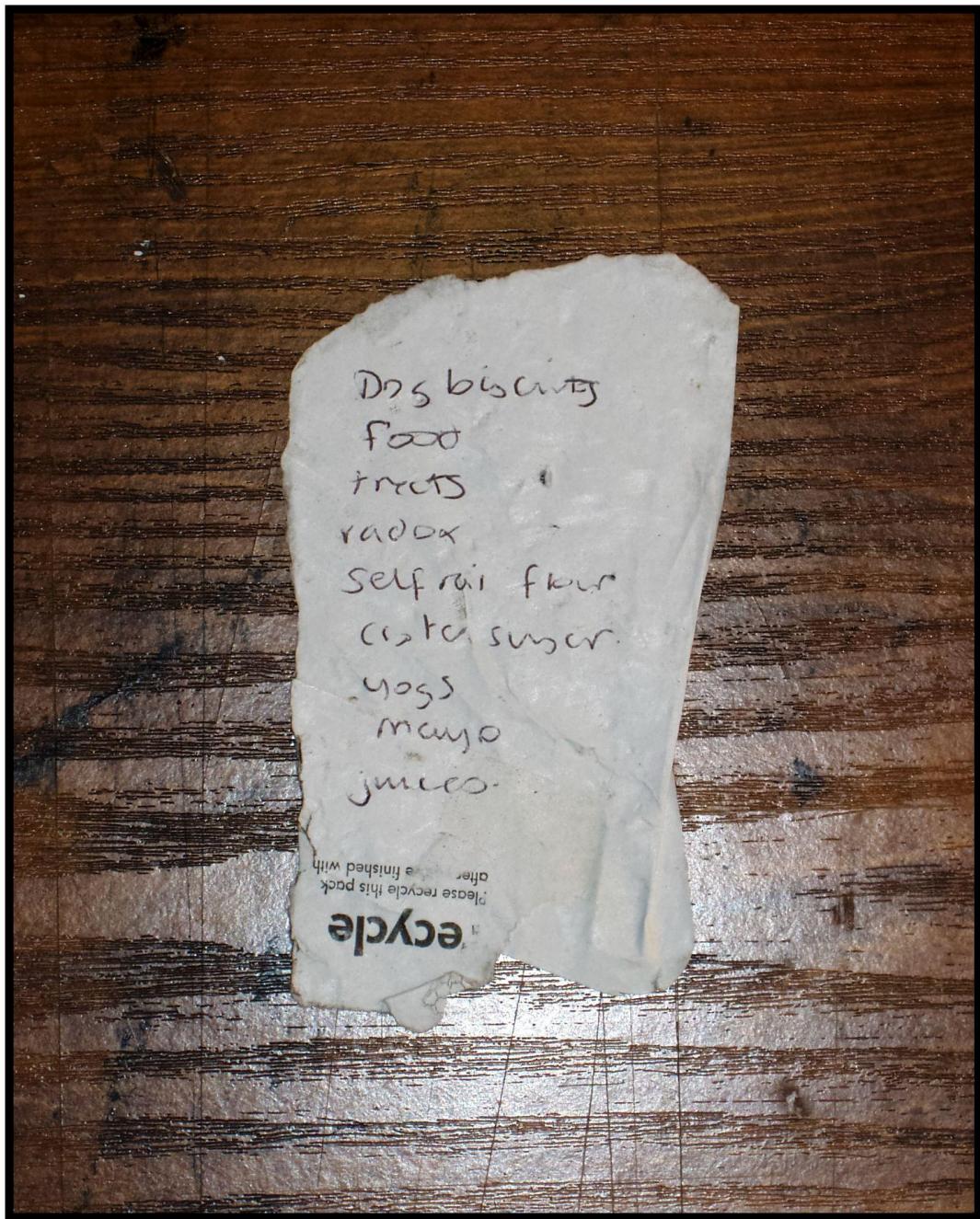
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Both teams	Coventry v Gicura	MON 20:00				
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Both teams	Morecambe v Caen	TUE 19:00				
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9/1	Sunderland v Newport	TUE 19:00				
9/1	Tranmere v Oldham	TUE 19:00				
9/1	Walsall v Burton	TUE 19:00				
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16/1	Fulham v West Brom	TUE 19:45				
16/1	Ipswich v Colchester	TUE 19:45				
All 4 correct	Sutton v AFC Wimbledon	TUE 19:45				
All 4 correct	Albion R.F.C v Wrexham	TUE 19:45				
All 4 correct	Everton v Bristol R.F.C	WED 19:00				
28/1	Walsall v Forest Green	WED 19:00				
All 4 correct	Wigan v Stevenage	WED 19:00				
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5/1	Armenia v North Macedonia	THU 17:00				
5/1	Azerbaijan v Luxembourg	THU 17:00				
All 8 correct	Georgia v Sweden	THU 17:00				
All 8 correct	Russia v Cyprus	THU 17:00				
100/1	Germany v Liechtenstein	THU 18:45				
100/1	Greece v Spain	THU 19:45				
All 9 correct	Malta v Croatia	THU 19:45				
All 9 correct	Rep of Ire v Portugal	THU 19:45				
175/1	Romania v Iceland	THU 19:45				
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175/1	Slovenia v Slovakia	THU 19:45				

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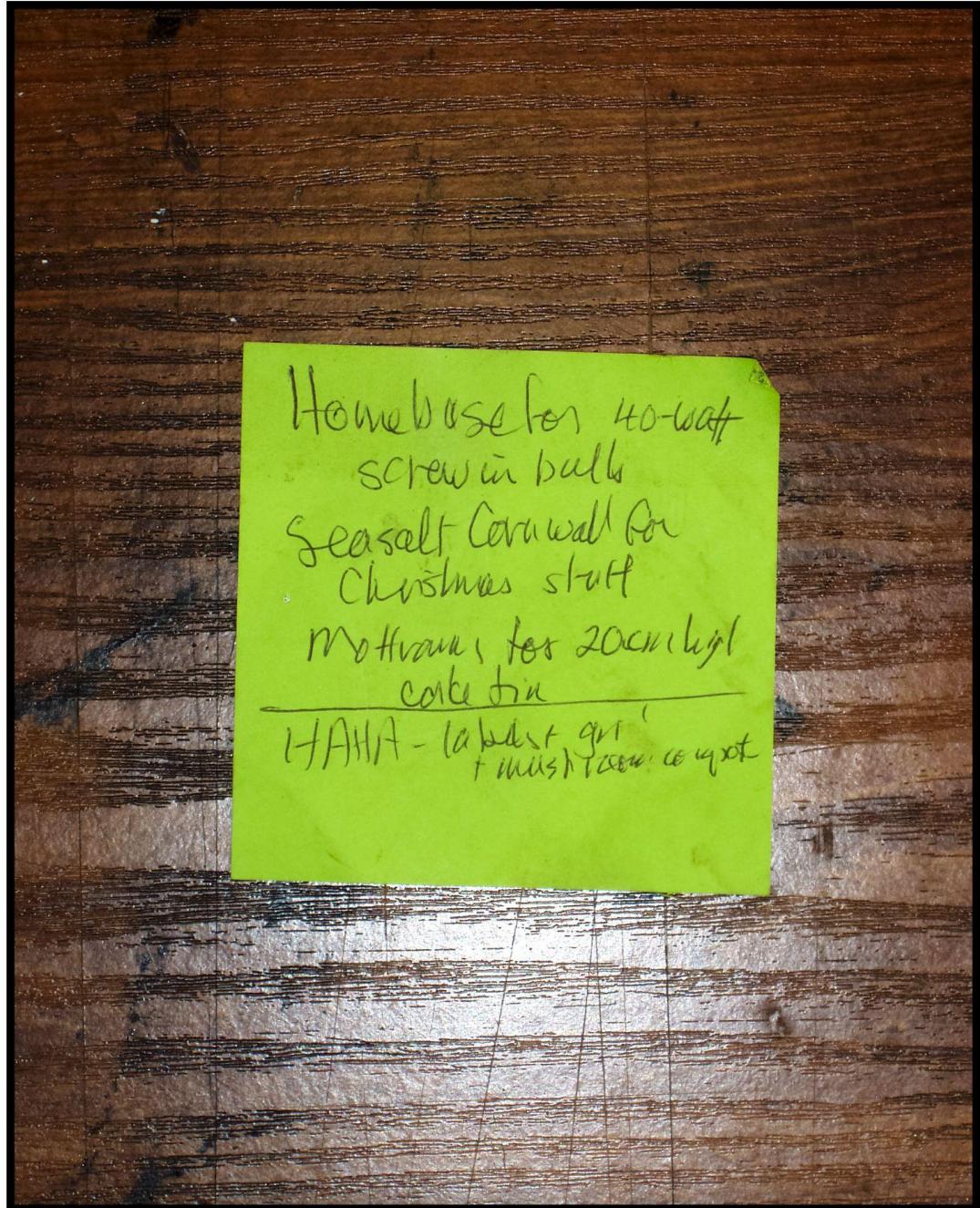
Home team	Guest team	1	2	3	4	5
Levski Sofia v Charlton						
Alfreton v Carlisle						
Scunthorpe v Doncaster						
Aldershot v Wrexham						
Everton v Bristol R.F.C						
Wrexham v Forest Green						
Sunderland v Bradford						
Swindon v Newport						
Sheff Wed v Luton						
Stretford v Colchester						
Brasov v Oradea						
Oradea v Oradea						
Armenia v North Macedonia						
Portugal v Chile						
Austria v Israel						
Andorra v Luxembourg						
Georgia v Sweden						
Rep of Ire v Portugal						
Ireland v Spain						
Romania v Iceland						

Back



I could spend this entire article decoding each hand written word and building up fictional narratives about the apparent lives of Sainsbury's patrons, but that achieves nothing and

is a strange way to spend my time. So I am going to leave the task to you. Have fun.



A handwritten note describing the desired purchases of an individual is clearly personal.

Food is personal.

We eat every day and you have a taste if you know it or not.

We like to choose our food. Some like to cook, some don't.

But food must take up some time in our day or we die. I don't think something can get more important than that in our daily lives.

So these simple little lists describe something basic but fundamental about the lives of the elusive authors.

Squage.  
Coffee Container.

Donentaces.

loo Roll Holder.  
Towel Rip

Upstices.

loo Roll Holder  
Tray for shower.

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Maps, Boots, Wetweather clo.  
Books Torch, Telescope

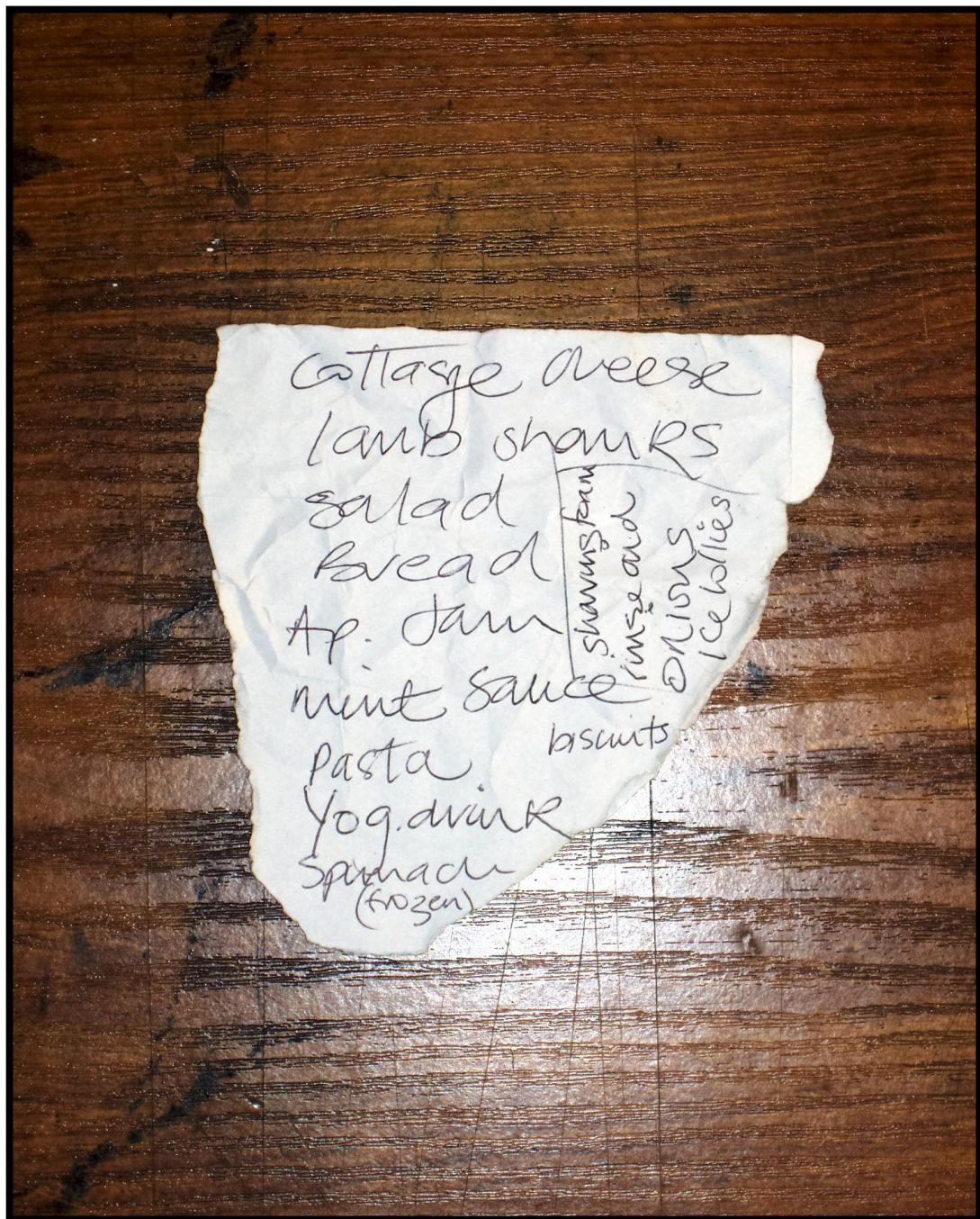
**FOOD**

Sherry , Whisky, Vodka, Lime juice,  
, Milk, Bread, Croissants, Tin fruit,  
Beans, Marmalade, Jam, Foil, Kitche  
spread., Ketchup, Mayo. Wine, whi  
Cranberry , Tea, green tea, coffee ,  
Nibbles. Cheese Tuna ....prepared c

Jobs to do before leaving house.

Clear Conservatory  
Water plants  
Put out rubbish  
Sort out heating & hot water.  
Lock windows  
Pull plugs  
Lock house.

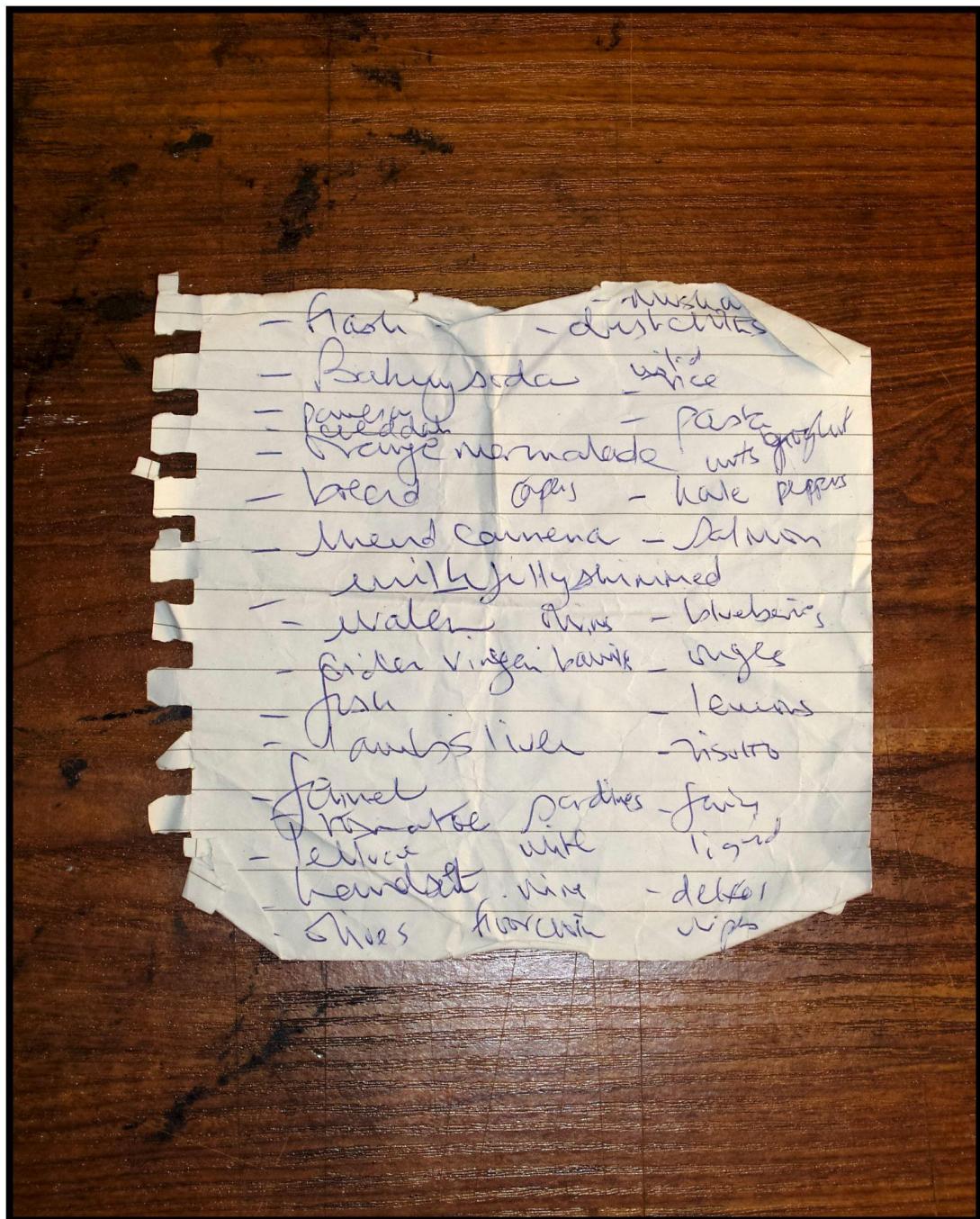
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I feel a sense of endearment towards these mysterious people. I value food massively. I like to cook and simple things like good ingredients, great recipes, or even sugary cereal can

change how I feel day to day. Because food is so basic and fundamental, I see it as very human.

Every human eats.



A while back, I watched this strange Japanese documentary on UK Netflix called Hyper HardBoiled Gourmet Report and it genuinely taught me something about human beings and the trivial vitality of food. The show consists of two Japanese guys, who barely speak English, traveling to very dangerous and strange parts of the world to find out what the most violent, impoverished, radical, and corrupt people would have as a meal each day. Unbelievably brilliant television. It is far from relaxing to watch but my god is it unique. I don't think it is a perfect example of the fact that all humans are all cut from the same cloth, but after watching it, you can't deny that it at least says something along those lines.

sunflower oil  
creme fraiche  
cornflour  
fingersole  
cereal 4 kids      Scotch Eggs  
Butter  
Kitchen Roll  
Tissues  
Eggs  
Stork  
Yogurts  
Milk

Frozen Peas.  
Ginger  
Spring Onions.  
Chicken thights  
(boneless)

Bananas  
Kastanien  
Blueberries

Demisip  
TISSUES  
SOUP

These notes remind me that food and life are almost synonymous. No matter who you are, you must eat. With each of these poems, I get a slight glimpse into this fundamental part of people's lives and I am grateful for that.

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I do agree that the practice of collecting these dropped notes is a little odd and I won't be doing it anymore.

If you were wondering, I am a sales advisor for Homebase's kitchens and Bathstore. I flog kitchens and toilets.

Next week's title will be ...

#12 : A SWEDISH DYSTOPIA.

Photographs shot on an Olympus C-60 ZOOM.

If, for whatever reason, you wish to not receive any more articles, let me know and I'll remove you from the list.

You coward.