### About Me

In my years, I've navigated life across three countries—my native land, Finland, and the UK—achieving a unique blend of cultural experiences. Despite the challenges of my childhood, my parents instilled essential values, fostering my open-mindedness and deep understanding of the world. Rooted in rich Slavic culture, particularly Russian, I've embraced the cultural nuances and gained insights from a mix of American and Russian literature.

School wasn't my forte, but university revealed my aptitude for subjects like maths, physics, and literature. English became a passion, especially after my move to the UK, where I grasped the importance of multilingualism. The realisation that knowledge and skills provide true independence guided my pursuit, and Samantha Power's book, "The Education of an Idealist," inspired me to seek a meaningful and impactful career.

Now as a Software Developer, my job aligns seamlessly with my values, allowing me to make a positive difference in people's lives. Independence, for me, stems from knowledge and skills, providing the power to adapt and succeed anywhere. I've become the person I am today through a journey of diverse experiences and a commitment to meaningful contributions to the world.

I'm not sure where I'll settle down, but my gut feeling tells me the UK might be a long-term thing. Still, I've always been interested in Spain, its lively culture, and friendly folks. My Spanish is a bit rusty, but it reminds me of my dream to live in Spain, even if it's just for a short stint. Maybe one day, I'll make the move to follow not just my dreams but that inner voice nudging me towards Spain.

Living in London has been an enriching experience, surrounded by a vibrant tapestry of cultures and cuisines. My favourite remains Asian cuisine, influenced by my upbringing in a city close to the Chinese border. The proximity to China brought forth an array of themed shops and restaurants, often staffed by Chinese chefs, offering a taste of authentic local dishes. It's fascinating to see the dynamics of living in a place so culturally connected.

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My curiosity deepened when I moved to Finland for my studies. It was there that I could relate to the experience of living in a country where the local language was unfamiliar. The transition allowed me to empathise with the challenges faced by Chinese people in Russia, sparking a newfound appreciation for cultural adaptation and the diverse experiences that come with it.

Moving abroad meant leaving behind a lot – connections, belongings, even my girlfriend and a cat. Yet, it's a fair trade for personal growth. The saying, "If the room is too small for you, change the room" might not explicitly mean changing countries, but I've always aimed for something bigger. I believe in pushing boundaries and embracing discomfort for development. The more challenges we endure, the more resilient we become. This resilience is a core trait I carry with me wherever life takes me.

Reflecting on the journey I've made, I find myself enriched with a substantial understanding of the world. Today, I stand as a grown man with a broad perspective on myriad aspects of life. Armed with this intellectual luggage, my hope is to evolve into someone akin to the people of the world. In a potential future where borders cease to matter, I envision a landscape where mindset takes precedence, paving the way for my prosperity beyond geographical confines.

### Goodwill Message

To the wonderful individual born from my contributions,

Firstly, I want you to know that your existence is a testament to the intricate tapestry of life, where each thread weaves a unique story. Embrace the diversity of your roots and the cultural blend that defines you.

As you navigate through life, my advice is to stay curious. Embrace the unfamiliar, for it is in the unknown that we often discover our truest selves. Be resilient in the face of challenges, for growth often accompanies adversity.

My sincerest hope for you is to live authentically, true to your values and passions. May your journey be marked by kindness, understanding, and a continuous pursuit of knowledge. Remember, the world is vast and full of opportunities – don't be afraid to explore, to learn, and to leave your mark.

Wishing you a life filled with joy, purpose, and the fulfillment of your wildest dreams.



### Q&A

#### What are your career goals?

Passionate about crafting innovative solutions, my career goal is to thrive as a software developer. Fuelled by continuous learning and a commitment to excellence, I aspire to contribute creative solutions that positively impact the tech world.

#### What are your interests?

Cinema and literature are my main passions. In cinema, I'm drawn to the emotional depth of dramas, the suspense of thrillers and detective stories, and the limitless possibilities of sci-fi. In literature, I delve into psychology-themed books, connect with diverse life stories through memoirs, and explore the speculative futures presented in sci-fi literature.

Beyond storytelling, I'm deeply interested in cyber technology and coding. The ever-evolving landscape of technology fascinates me, and I enjoy engaging in coding projects that bring ideas to life in the digital space. This synthesis of cinematic exploration, literary immersion, and technological curiosity defines my diverse intellectual landscape.

#### What are your skills?

My skill set is a reflection of my hands-on approach to life and a curious mind. From shaping wood into handmade furniture to getting under the hood and fixing a car, I take pride in practical skills that bring tangible results. Around the house, I enjoy tackling various maintenance tasks, finding satisfaction in making things work seamlessly.

On the cognitive side, I thrive on analytical challenges. Learning new languages and immersing myself in different environments has been not just a skill but a passion, enriching my experiences. In the digital realm, coding is my creative outlet, allowing me to transform ideas into reality. This blend of practicality and analytical thinking is at the core of how I navigate through various aspects of life.

#### What are your favourite foods?

I have a deep appreciation for the rich and diverse flavours found in Asian and Slavic cuisines. In Asian cuisine, the intricate balance of sweet, salty, sour, and umami in dishes like sushi, stir-fries, and dim sum captivates my taste buds. On the Slavic side, the hearty and comforting nature of dishes such as borscht, pierogi, and traditional stews resonates with my love for wholesome and flavourful meals. Exploring the culinary traditions of both regions allows me to savour a wide range of tastes and textures, creating a delightful journey through diverse and delicious flavours.

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#### What are your favourite books, films, TV shows?

My favourite books draw from the profound insights of Jordan Peterson and Fyodor Dostoyevsky. Peterson's '12 Rules for Life' resonates with its pragmatic wisdom, while Dostoyevsky's masterpieces like 'Crime and Punishment' and 'The Idiot' captivate me with their exploration of the human psyche. In the realm of cinema, I find myself immersed in thought-provoking narratives such as 'Mr. Nobody,' 'Troy,' 'Hacksaw Ridge,' 'Blade Runner 2049,' and 'Interstellar,' each offering a unique perspective on life and humanity. When it comes to TV shows, the intricate storytelling of 'True Detective' and the mind-bending complexity of 'Dark' keep me hooked, reflecting my appreciation for compelling narratives across various mediums.

#### Do you consider yourself an active person?

I wouldn't label myself as the most sporty individual, but I do make it a point to hit the gym regularly. It's there that I find my rhythm, balancing the occasional run or cycling session to keep things dynamic. Outside the structured fitness routine, I've got a soft spot for the some sports. Playing volleyball and badminton adds a touch of enjoyment to my active moments, making it more about shared experiences and a bit of friendly competition rather than just the workout. It's my personalised blend of staying active and finding joy in the process.

#### What are your reasons for becoming a donor?

Deciding to become a sperm donor is a personal choice influenced by various factors in my life. Currently, I'm uncertain about my intentions regarding having my own children, and the unpredictability of my current lifestyle plays a significant role in this decision. The idea of leaving a legacy or contributing to posterity through sperm donation seems like a meaningful way to make a positive impact, considering the uncertainties in my own future family plans. It's a decision rooted in a desire to potentially bring joy and create life, even if my own life journey remains somewhat unpredictable.