

Life Pro Tips



What if you could download the knowledge of the entire internet into your brain but the only way to do it would be via floppy disks. Like you had to get the data into pieces of 1.44mb floppy disks and then insert them into your brain through a Nokia N95, would you still do it? Imagine you're

downloading the Wikipedia entry for breathing and there's a disk read error just when you reach the "How to Breathe" section.

Brad was a nice dinosaur. He always ate his vegetables and listened to his parents. It didn't stop him from being wiped out. Kids, always remember to leave fossils to be cloned from.

If you stay too long on the internet, your brains will be fried harder than a shingara in Mohammadpur Town Hall market. Always remember to meet normal people and socialise in order to know the limits of the human mind to restrict yourself from spiralling into degeneracy. Degeneracy is only acceptable if you're a quirky, short-haired, blonde woman with your own TV show.

– Rumman R Kalam, Sub-editor, SHOUT

THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

ARIES

I didn't know SHOUT came out on Thursdays and I work there! What else don't I know?



TAURUS

There are four colours here. You have four limbs. Coincidence? Don't think too much.



GEMINI

Are you by any chance related to Jiminy the conscious cricket? Or was it conscientious?



CANCER

Our best friend is crazy. She hopes to become a professional popular twitter personality.



LEO

Please refer to Libra for your advice. I can delegate now. It's true, they promoted me.



VIRGO

Girls like cars. Girls like money. Tractors cost a lot of money. Do the math.



LIBRA

Do me a solid and help out Leo, okay? Just make something up. He's not bright.



SCORPIO

Your money's troubles will come to an end when the note in your wallet commits suicide.



SAGITTARIUS

Be the change you want to see in others. You've got the powah!



CAPRICORN

Words can't hurt you. Unless they're big. Then they hurt your brain.



AQUARIUS

Can't seem to change your life? Try our self-surgery kit. Now for only Tk 999.99.

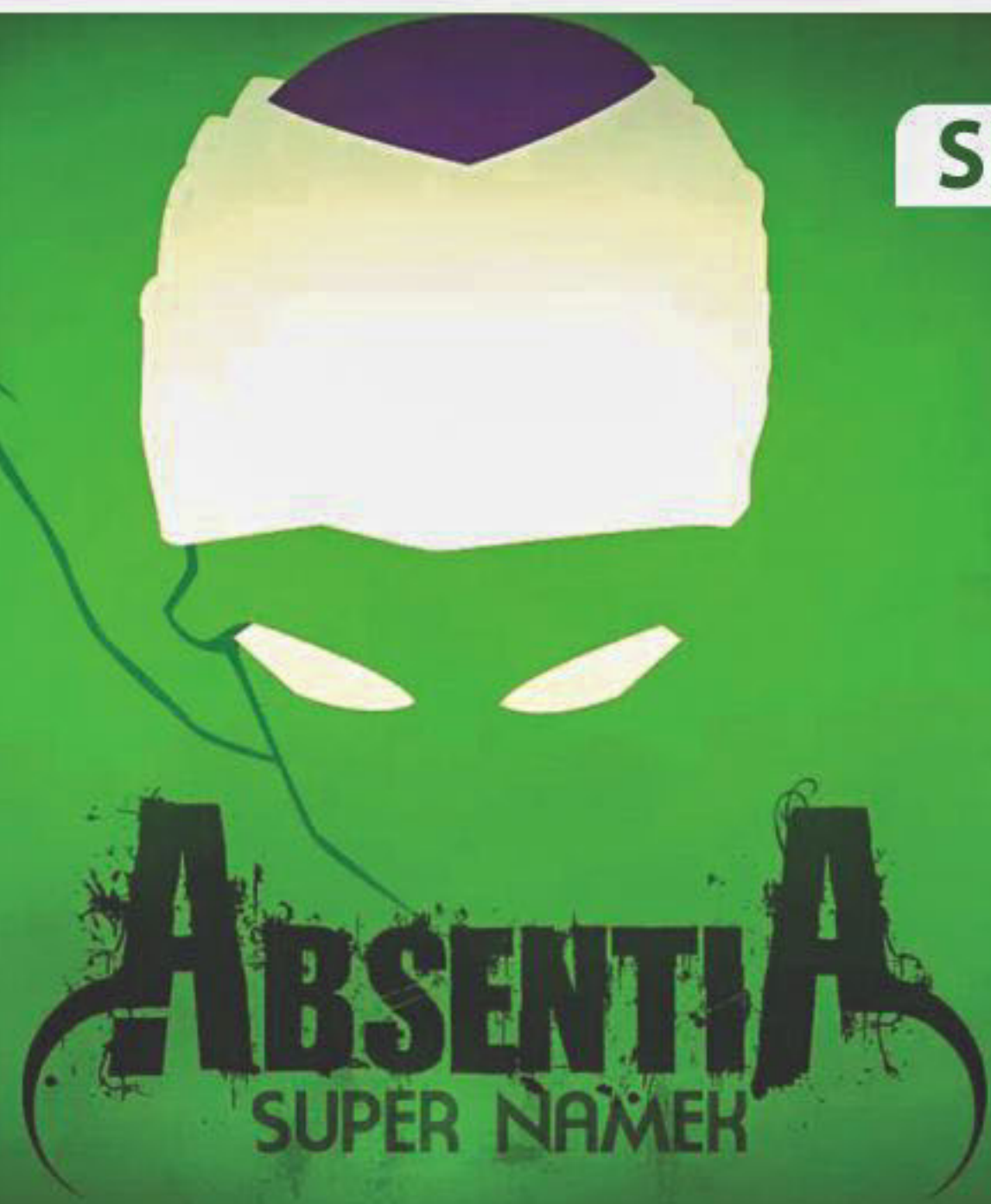


PISCES

Animals whisper secrets. Your secrets. They know and soon everyone else will too.



SINGLE REVIEW



RAYAAN IBTESHAM CHOWDHURY

Absentia are a young metalcore band from Uttara, Dhaka and they recently released "Super Namek", the first single from their upcoming EP "Paradigm Shift". Even though they're a young band consisting largely of people nearing the end of high school, their sound on "Super Namek" is tight, mature and full of promise.

Metalcore has always been one of the more controversial subgenres of metal but Absentia's sound is powerful and precise. Rather than focusing on tried and tested metalcore sounds, they've driven down the djent road, which is probably a first for Bangladesh. Vocals, whether harsh or clean, are pretty solid and the guitar sounds tie in very well. Even though it's what you would call a DIY Project, the mixing and mastering is top notch. The song carries on the EP's theme of breaking down established ideals and going against society's streams and the lyrics portray that very well.

Even though one song isn't enough to judge an artist, Absentia's first track is a nice indication of what is to come. On a parting note, the guitar solo is very tasteful. It's not overdone, it's not excessive, and it's just what the song needs and it falls into place perfectly well.

Their music can be found on Soundcloud:
soundcloud.com/absentia-dhaka



MIXTAPE

Girl Power

Joan Jett & the Blackhearts
Bad Reputation

Blondie
One Way or Another

Warpaint
Keep it Healthy

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Portishead
It's a Fire

James Brown
This is a Man's World