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GASLIGHT
YOUR
HOOMAN?**

**GRAYSON'S
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Grayson
looking
innocent
on his
rope perch

Love or Infatuation?

Some might call it **chick-love**.

Others a **stalker**. **Grayson** is in a **secret relationship** that would be the **scandal** of the neighborhood.

Her name is Sassy. Her hoomans may not know this, but their innocent looking little girl dressed in pristine white has a wild side. This lutino 'tiel gave Grayson his first flirty whistle when she was walked past his house. He's been hooked on her ever since. Only Grayson's mom knows about their secret love affair. The calls across the

subdivision, the sneaking out, the fluffing... There's been more than one morning when a white belly feather's been found on Grayson's floor. What would happen if her hoomans hound out? Would there be a shotgun wedding? Or would it start a war?

We wish you fluffin love, Gayson.

THERE'S SOMETHING *NOT* IN THE WATER

We all know that city water contains really nasty things. Chlorine, corrosion inhibitor chemicals, arsenic, lead, pesticides, herbicides, PFAS, pharmaceutical drugs & parasites can all be present in treated tap water.

For this reason, many parrots choose to give their birds reverse osmosis or distilled water to drink.

Reverse osmosis & distilled water also have a downside: all trace minerals have been removed.

There's been a lot of debate over whether or not this is a problem, the main question being: does drinking distilled or RO water lead to demineralization of the body. More specifically: organ function & demineralizing bone.

A bird's small body has a high metabolic demands & is so susceptible to imbalances...

How can they not be affected?

A study by the World Health Organization stated: "It has been adequately demonstrated that consuming water of low mineral content has a negative effect on homeostasis mechanisms, compromising the mineral and water metabolism in the body" i.e: it removes minerals from the body.

I'm sure this is one of those situations where there could be a pile of studies on either side of the debate, but it's so simple to add trace minerals to the water, why take the chance? I know it's made a difference for me with my RO water. Something to think about ;)



Health Risks From Drinking Demineralised Water, Frantisek Kozisek, Water safety plan manual, Step-by-step risk management for drinking-water suppliers, 2009, Chapter 12

HOW TO GASLIGHT YOUR HOOMAN

**“Of all the tools under
a bird’s wing,
gaslighting is my
favorite way to
manipulate my
hooman”**

- Grayson



Like all birds in the parrot family, Grayson was hatched with the natural ability to manipulate.

Though, experts have put him in the gifted or prodigy category. Grayson learned to vocalize at only 3 months of age. Sure, talking was fun, but Grayson was more interested in how he could use this new skill to gaslight his mom.

Still very young, Grayson’s methods of gaslighting are mainly centered around the first commands that baby birds learn: Step Up & Come Here. They may be simple tactics, but very effective for making his first-time bird mom think she’s going crazy.

Here are young Grayson’s favorites that he would like all birds to practice daily:

1. Grayson calls out his mom’s request of ‘Come Here’... But he doesn’t come.
2. Again saying “Come Here”... but then he walks away from mom.
3. A variation, Grayson says the “Step up” command, then walks away calling himself a good boy
4. Calls himself a good boy *before* stepping up
5. Stepping up on cue, but then immediately flies away.
6. Asking for scratches, then getting mad when mom follows through.



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Veggies



on *second* thought maybe it's not a good idea....



USING RECEIPT PAPER ROLLS AS TOYS

Bisphenol A (BPA) and its nearly identical replacement, BPS, coat receipt paper.

BPA is the chemical that was banned from baby bottles in 2010 because it's a hormone disrupting toxin. BPA's absorb through the our skin, so it will absorb much faster when chewed on by our birds. BPA & BPS are linked to hormone-based cancers.

cupcake liners in toys

PFAS coat some cupcake liners. You know, the non-stick "forever chemicals" like Teflon. PFAS aren't just a danger when heated, when ingested or absorbed through the skin, these toxic chemicals lower immunity, increase allergies, cause cardiovascular disease, are endocrine disruptors, can cause kidney cancer & more. 'Wilton' brand cupcake liners were found to have 17 ppm of PFAS; 'If You Care' brand has 12 ppm. Brands found safe at the time of testing were 'Eoonfirst Jumbo' and 'Gifbera Natural Standard.' Bottom line: look for studies to see which brands have been tested PFAS-free



PLAYING WITH ZIPPERS

It's not just an issue of zipper teeth being broken off & ingested, but what the zippers are made from. Most zippers are made from brass (= copper + zinc), zinc coated steel, pure zinc, chrome, questionable aluminum alloys & nickel alloys.

So basically toxic heavy metals.

On the rare occasion, zippers will be made from safe stainless steel. But the likelihood of knowing what your zipper is made from is low, right?



1

What is your least favorite thing?

For my tail to be touched. It's a no-touch zone. Don't do it!

2

What's your favorite game?

Playing peekaboo. I even lift my foot like i'm trying to cover my eyes.

3

When is your hatchday?

September 21st. I'm only 1 year old.

4

Do you like to dance?

Love it! I even say "cha-cha-cha" when i'm shaking my tail on the dancefloor.

5

What is your bedtime routine?

I put myself to bed after dinner. But I still need to gaslight my mom whenever I can... So when she says "it's time to go to bed" I reply with "I can't". Hahahahaha.....

6 FUN QUESTIONS FOR...

Grayson the 'tiel

*1, social media influencer
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What are some of your other words so far?

peekaboo, booya, do you love me, uh oh, where's Gray, good morning, good boy, let me help, hey mom, kissy kissy, are you a good boy... the list goes on. I also like to mimic mom's cough, sneeze & make kissing sounds,





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