

## Stranger Than Fiction

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### Transcript

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- 0'02 Rick was a man of infinite numbers, endless calculations and remarkably few words and his wristwatch said even less.
- 0'11 Every weekday for 12 years, Harold would brush each of his 32 teeth 76 times. 38 times back and forth, 38 times up and down.
- 0'28 Every weekday for 12 years, Harold would tie his tie in a single Windsor knot instead of the double, thereby saving up to 43 seconds. His wristwatch thought the single Windsor made his neck look fat, but said nothing.
- 0'48 Every weekday for 12 years, Harold would run at a rate of nearly 57 steps per block for six blocks barely catching the 8:17 Kronecker bus. His wristwatch would delight in the feeling of the crisp wind rushing over its face.
- 1'15 And every weekday for 12 years, Harold would review 7.134 tax files as a senior auditor for the Internal Revenue Service.
- 1'32 Carroll. 89 times 1,417?
- 1'35 \$126,113. That adds up.
- 1'38 Only taking a 45.7 minute lunch break and a 4.3 minute coffee break timed precisely by his wristwatch.
- 1'56 Beyond that, Harold lived a life of solitude. Harold would walk home alone. He would eat alone.

2'15      And at precisely 11:13 every night, Harold would go to bed alone, placing his wristwatch to rest on the nightstand beside him. That was, of course, before Wednesday.

2'34      On Wednesday, Harold's wristwatch changed everything.

### Daily Routine

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0'02      Harold's alarm rings

0'10      Harold brushes his teeth

0'28      Harold gets dressed

0'47      Harold goes to work/travels to work/commutes

1'15      Harold works

1'40      Harold has lunch

1'44      Harold has a cup of coffee

2'00      Harold goes home

2'05      Harold cooks

2'17      Harold goes to bed