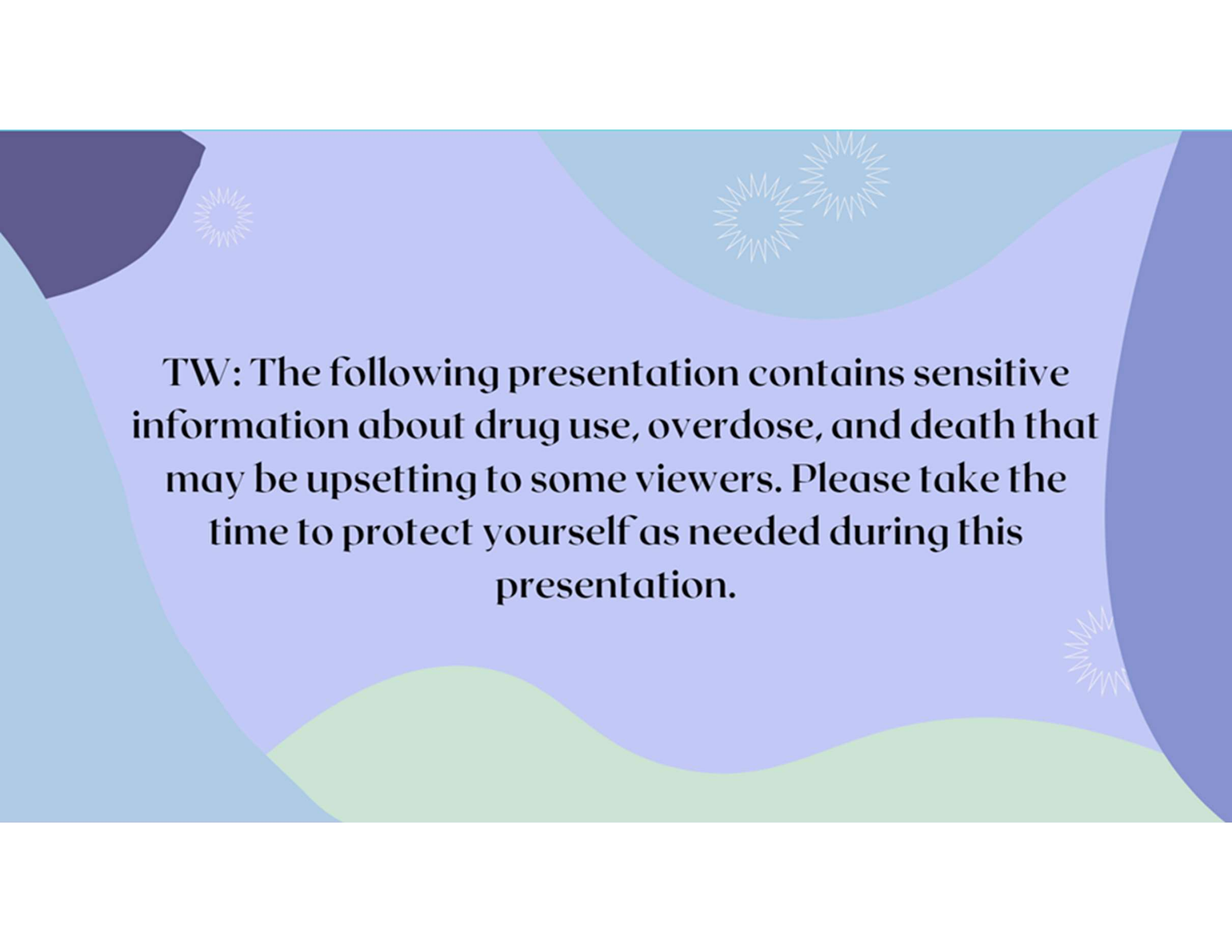


# Fentanyl Facts





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**Intro Game!**  
**4 Corners**



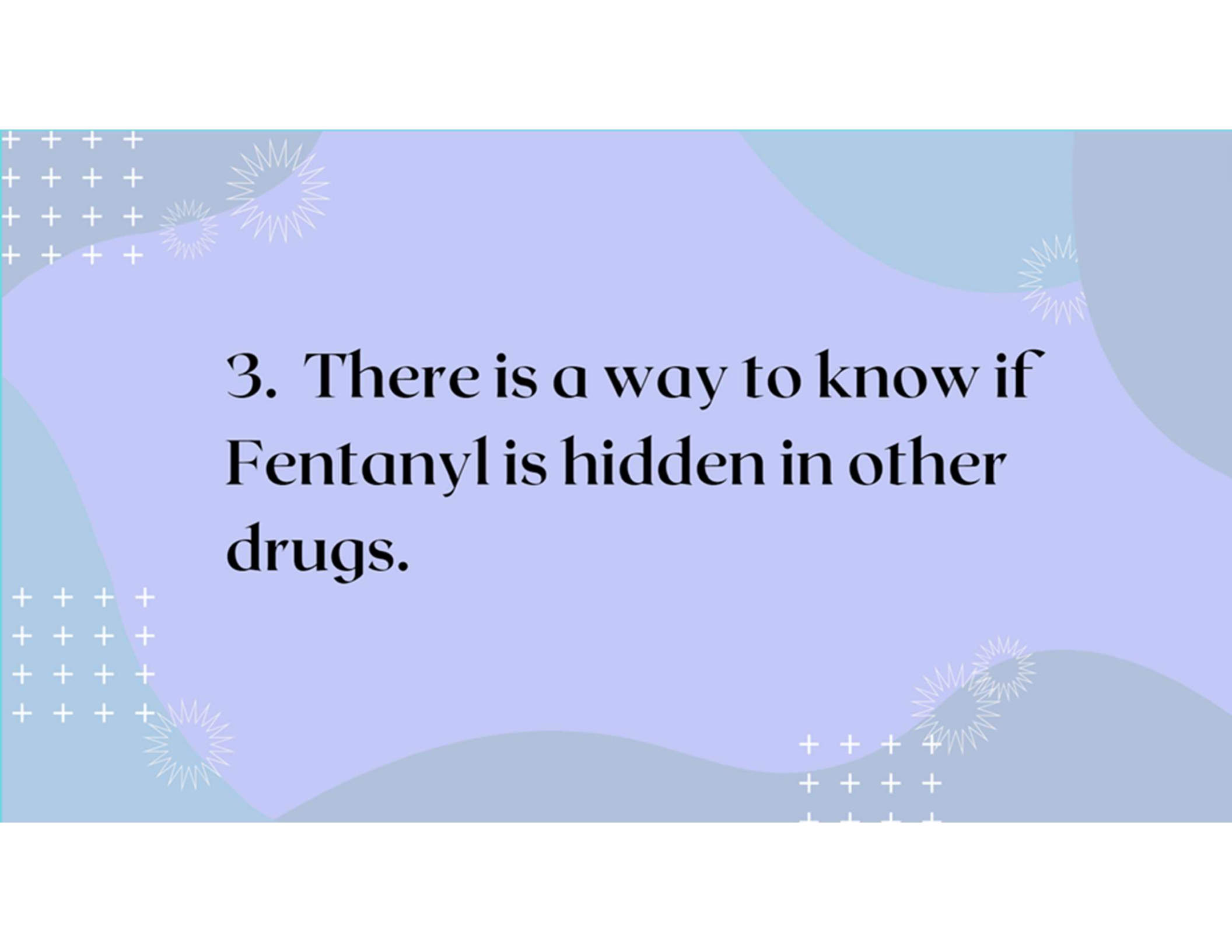
**Intro Game!**  
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**1. I know what fentanyl is.**



**2. I can list at least 5 forms  
fentanyl comes in.**




**3. There is a way to know if Fentanyl is hidden in other drugs.**



**4. I can identify 5 symptoms  
of a drug overdose.**





**5. I can list the four steps to take in the event of an overdose.**

# What is Fentanyl?

- A synthetic opioid
- 50 x stronger than heroin
- 100 x stronger than morphine
- Extremely addictive
- Known as Actiq®, Duragesic®, and Sublimaze® in its prescription form



# Pharmaceutical vs. Illicit Fentanyl

## Pharmaceutical:

- very rarely prescribed
- prescribed to treat severe pain (post surgery / for advanced-stage cancer)
- only prescribed under close monitoring due to addictive properties

## Illicit:

- distributed through illegal drug market
- heroin-like effect
- Extremely potent, so added to other drugs to make cheaper & more addictive



# What does Fentanyl Look Like?



## Pharmaceutical fentanyl:

- injectables
- skin patches
- nasal sprays
- milky-colored lozenges



## Illicit fentanyl:

- powders
  - (off-white/light brown color)
- tablets
  - (look like real prescription opioids (blue/green/white pills - look for unusual texture, color, numbering))



# What does Fentanyl Look Like?

The most reliable way to know if there is fentanyl present is by using fentanyl test strips. Let's learn how to use them!



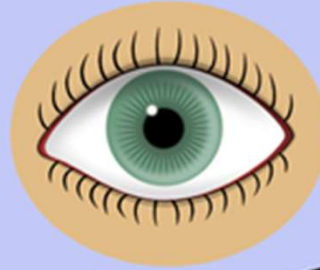
# How Does Fentanyl Work?

- Binds to opioid receptors in brain & spinal cord
  - in areas that control pain & emotions
- Immediate effects:
  - Pain relief
  - Pleasure from a "high"
- Brain becomes more tolerant of the drug
- Larger doses needed to feel the same "high"
- Dependency increases and leads to addiction



# Symptoms of an Overdose

- Small, “pinpoint pupils”
- Drowsiness
- Losing consciousness
- Slow, weak, or no breathing
- Choking or gurgling
- Limp body
- Cold and/or clammy skin
- Discolored, bluish, skin (especially lips and nails)



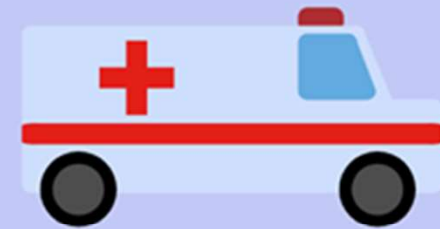
# In the Event of an Overdose...

1. Call 911

2. Remove pill from  
mouth



4. Administer Narcan /  
Naloxone



4. Cooperate with  
Paramedics





# Thank You!



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