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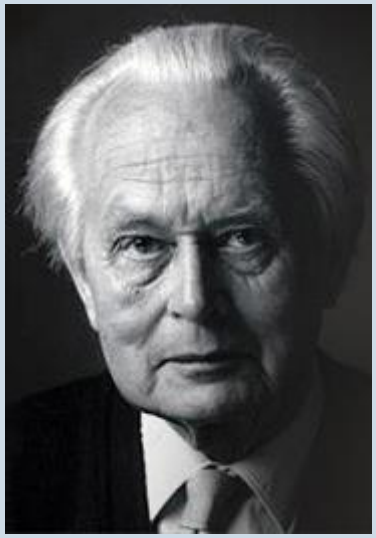
PHOTOGROOKS

snapshots from Denmark

in homage to Piet Hein

Piet Hein (1905-1996) was a Danish polymath (mathematician, inventor, designer, game inventor, poet). Hex, Tangloids, Morra, Tower, Polytaire, TacTix, Pyramystery, Soma cube are creative games developed by Hein.



https://www.piethein.com/

He created a new form of poetry, '**Grook**' ("gruk" in Danish, short for 'GRin & sUK' - "laugh & sigh", in Danish), characterized by irony, paradox, brevity. He wrote over 10,000 of grooks, most in Danish or English, published in more than 60 books. Grooks are tangential with paradoxism.

Piet Hein advocated the use of the super ellipse curve in city planning (later in furniture design and other realms), which became the hallmark of modern Scandinavian architecture.

Hein defined art as a way of thinking about all subjects. He asserted that the great cultural divide is not between the *haves* and the *have-nots*, but between the *knows* and the *know-nots*.

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PhotoGrooks

Mingir
Suceava, Romania, 2018

MUSIC
Artist: Nicolai Heidlas
Songtitle: Morning Sun
https://soundcloud.com/nicolai-heidlas
https://www.nicolai-heidlas.com

COVER
The Super-egg at the town of Skjern.
The largest Super-egg in the world: 4 meters tall.
A sculpture by Piet Hein

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drawing near

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the opposite view

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Hamlet Anno Domini

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remedies’ remedies

a diplomatic compromise

portrait of nobody in particular

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freedom

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twenty seconds less

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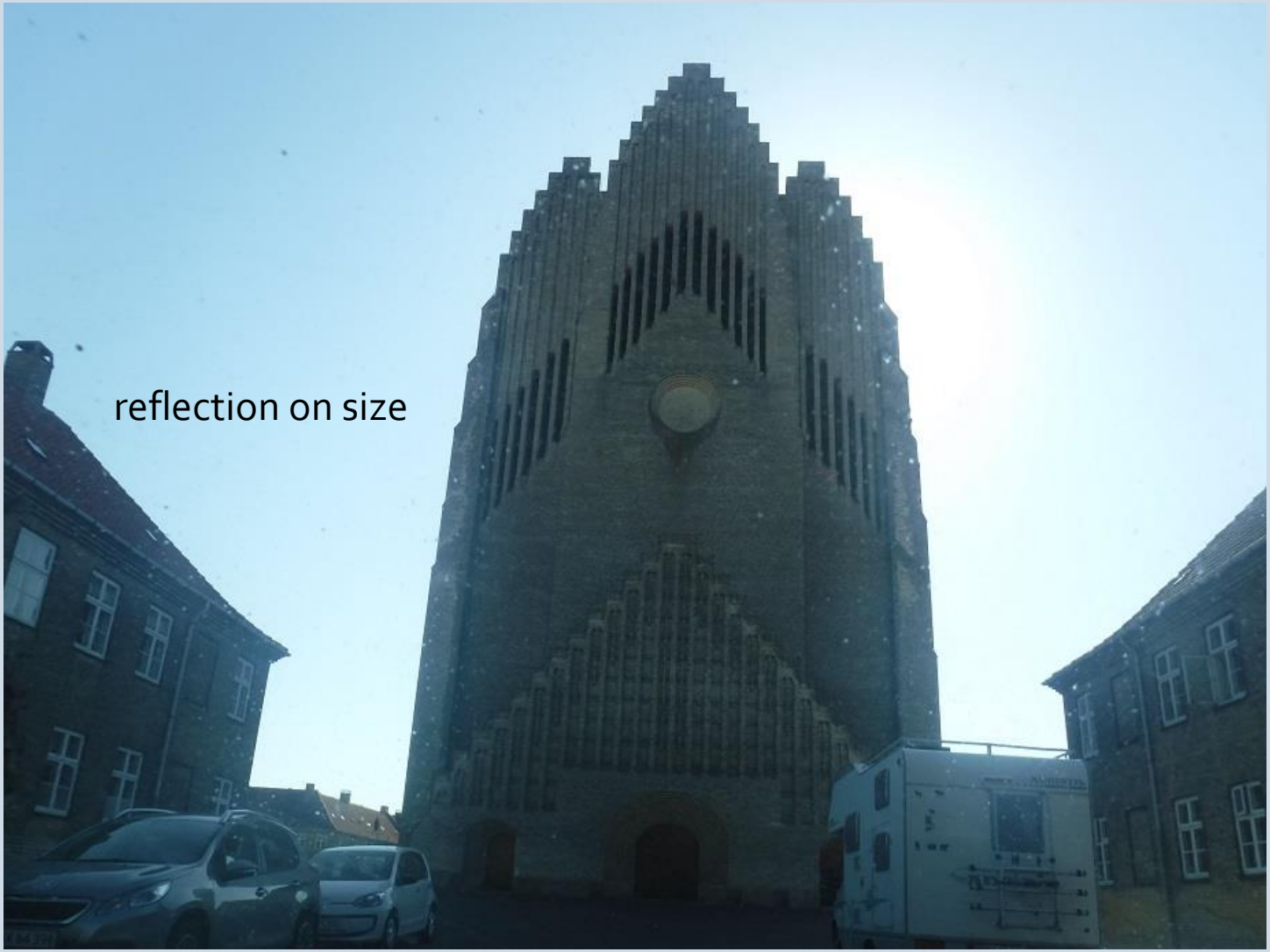
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exclamation marks in brackets

standing tall

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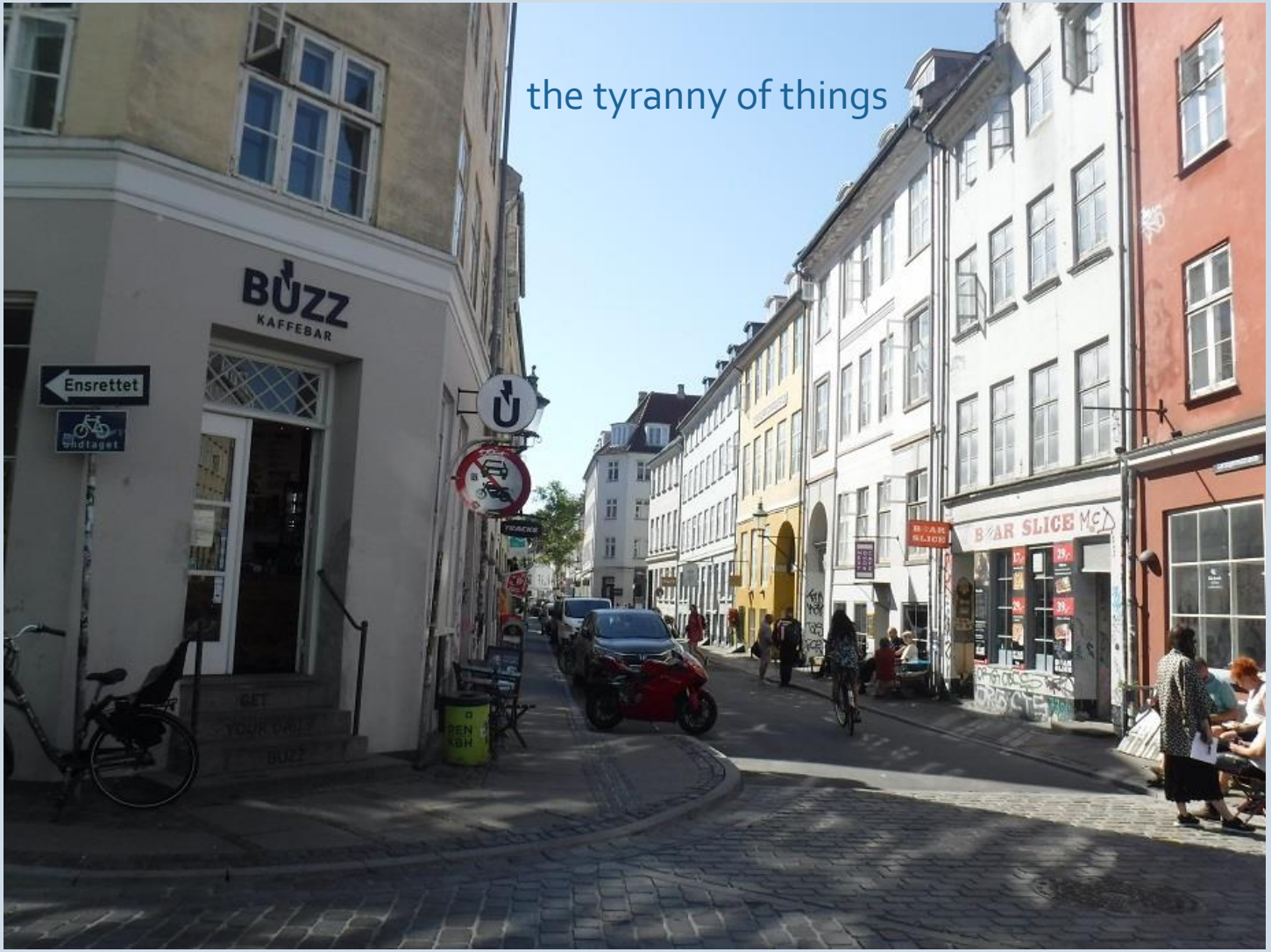

the tyranny of things

down to fundamentals

the case for obscurity

obscure, esoteric, symbolic

road sense
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another grook

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traditional grook

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discipline

spinning a penny

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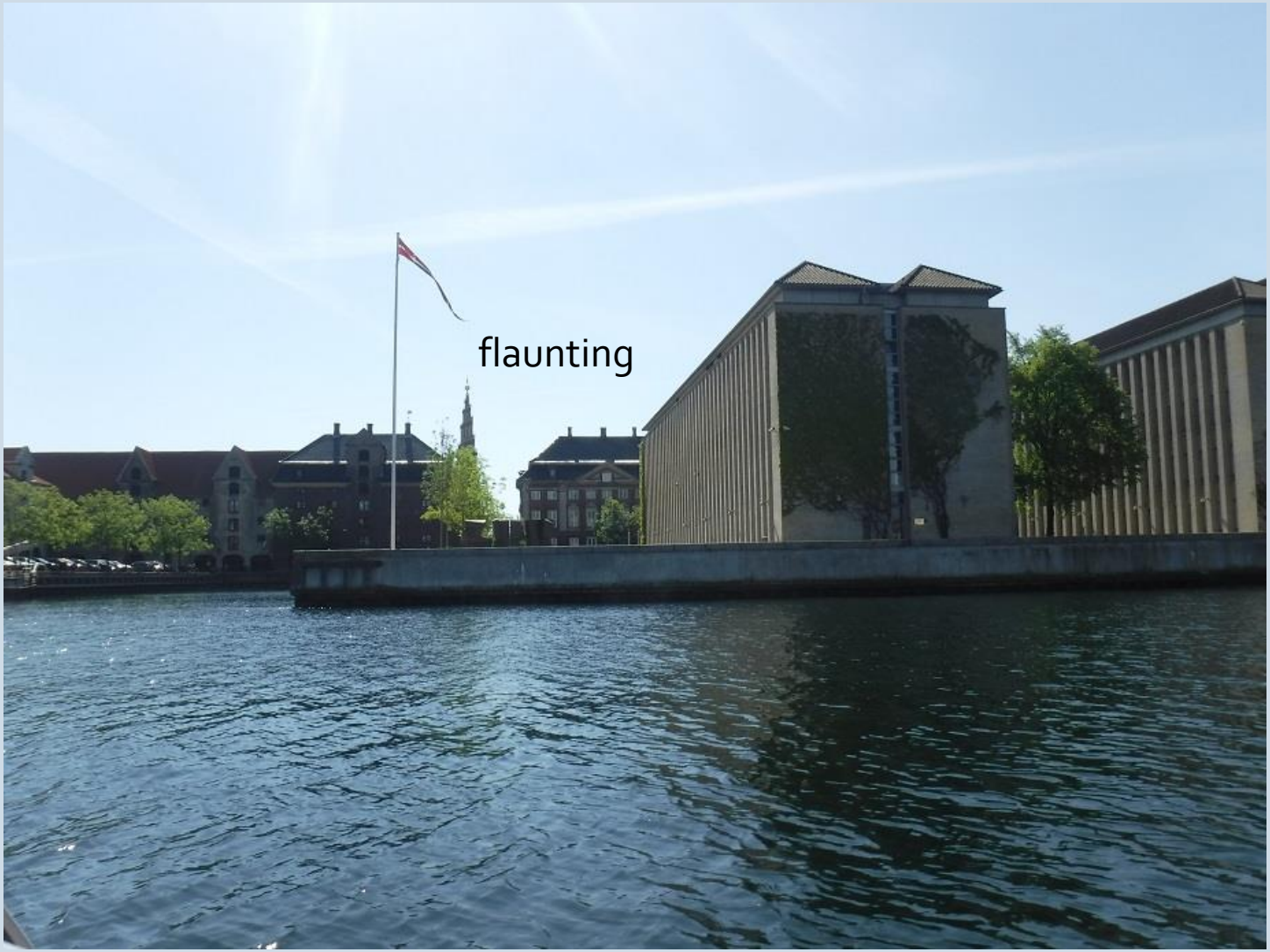
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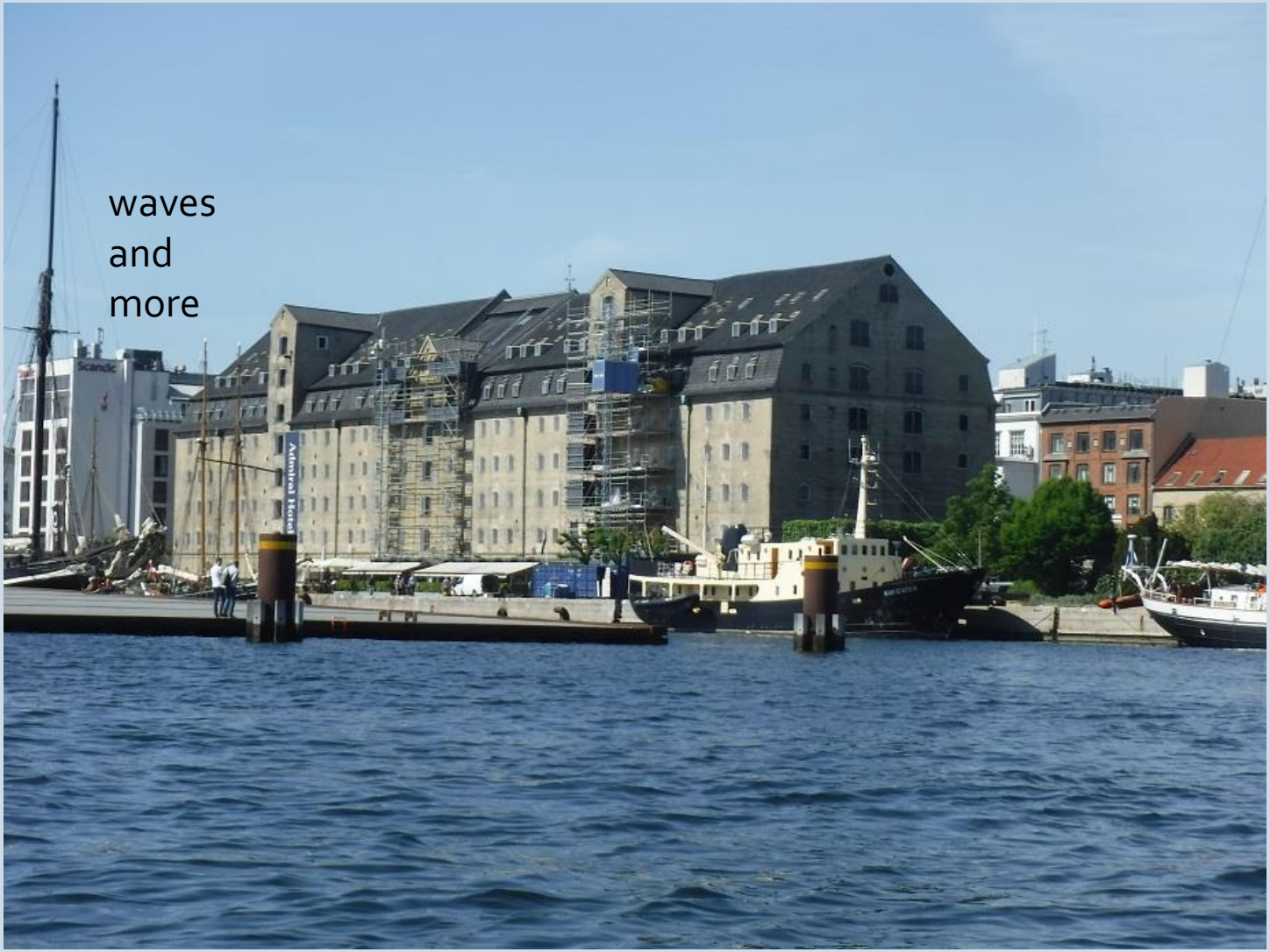
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self contained grook

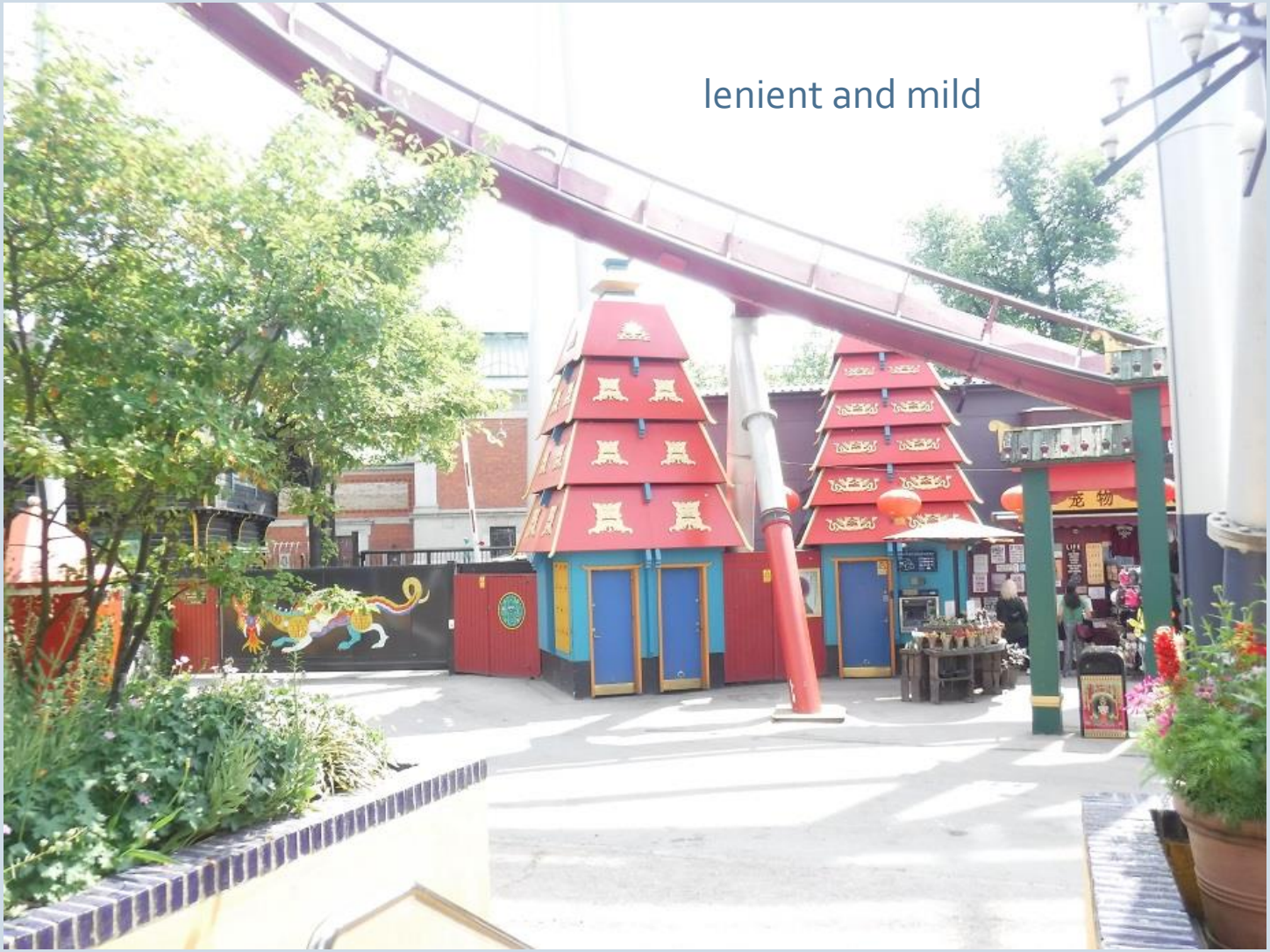
a bit beyond perception's reach

presence of mind

bounty

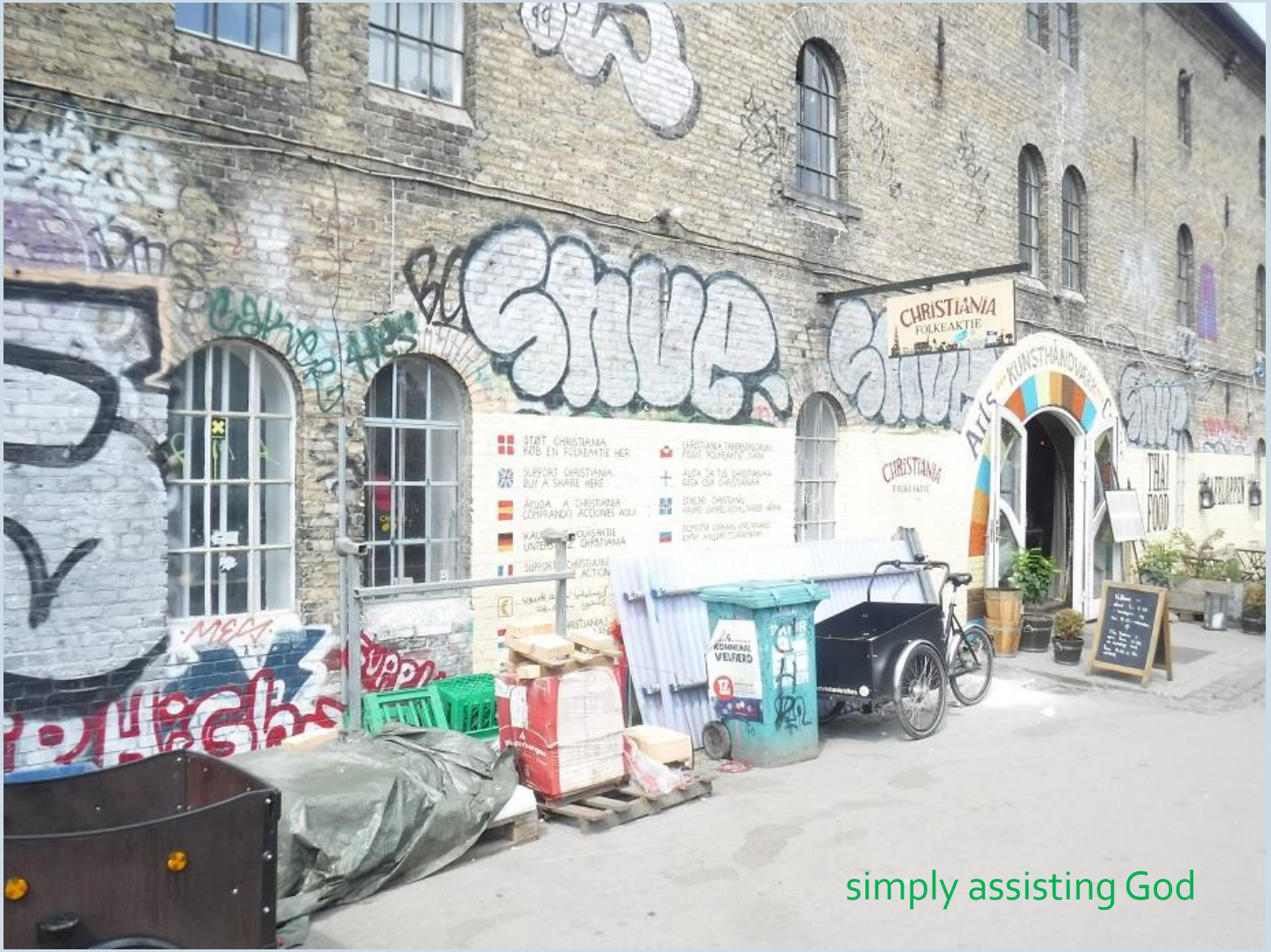
passivists

a pint of cream


lenient and mild

ultimate wisdom

philosophistry



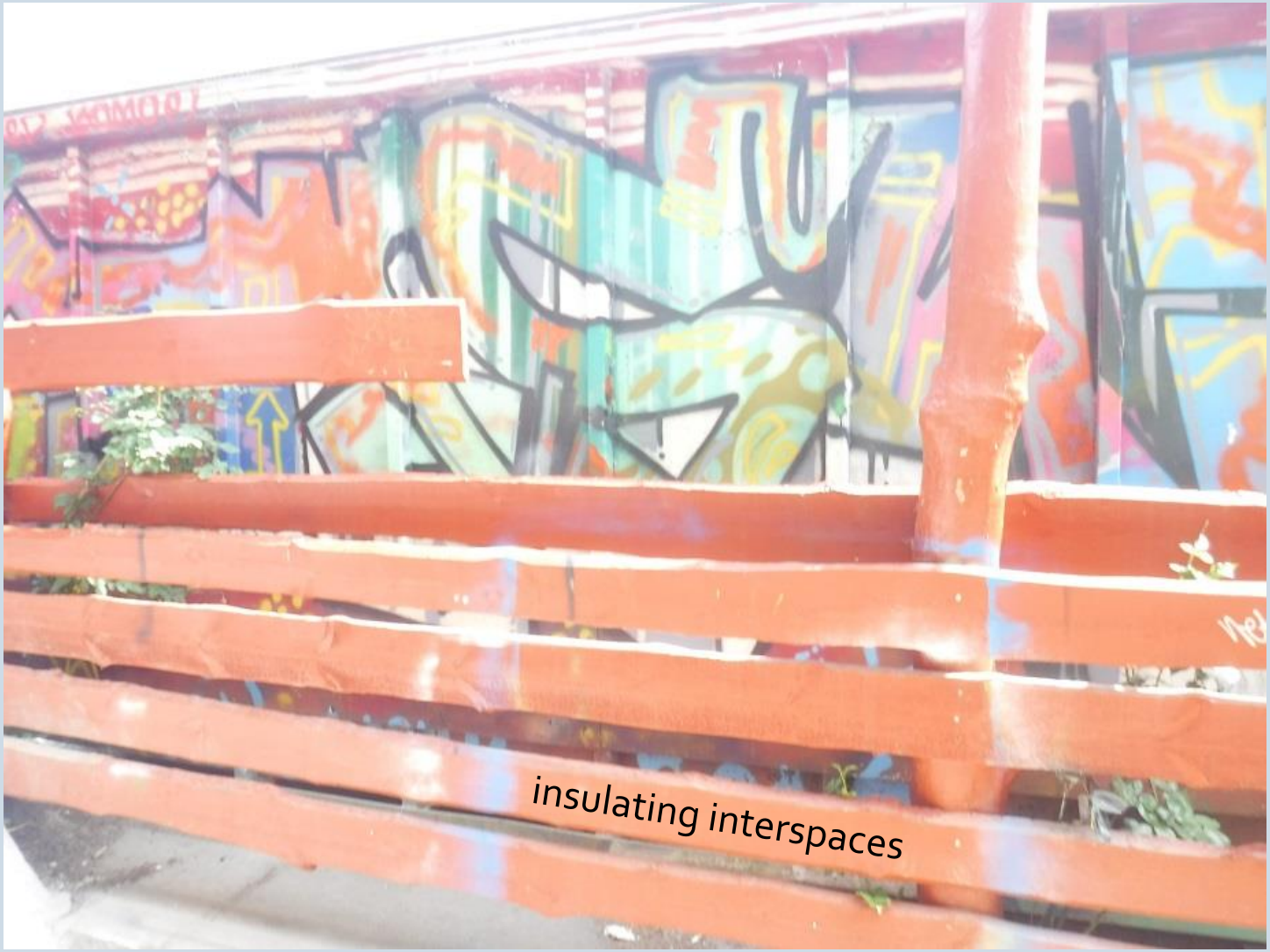
simply assisting God

thinking of the blunders

atomyriades

that weary feeling

broken grook


insulating interspaces

life makes senses

self-centered

meeting the eye

art-
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memento vivere
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love is like a pineapple

relativistic grook

the shaping of the question

the other angle

subdividing
diurnity

social mechanism
Ice cream

dream interpretation

glibly talks

This photoalbum follows the instant photovideojournal VENI, VIDI, VIKING (in Romanian, 2018), and consists in a set of photographies taken in Copenhagen, Slagelse and surroundings during my short visit in Denmark in May 2018 - with scientific purposes.

The photographies here hold as "title" almost exclusively a line, a few words, or a title extracted from Piet Hein's grooks, and they should be consequently connectedly "read"&"regarded".

The grooks created by Piet Hein are spirit-building mental improvisations, small aphoristic verses, revealing in a minimum of words basic truths about the human condition. Grooks are tangential with paradoxism.

While in Denmark, in my mind - the images fused with Hein's grooks, also giving me a chance to honor his original personality.

— Florentin Smarandache

DENMARK

Denmark seen from a foreign land
looks but like a grain of sand.
Denmark as we Danes conceive it
is so big you won't believe it.

Grook by
— Piet Hein

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