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*How to leave work on time when working from home*

Consider this extra task part of your professional development. You should be thankful you're not in America. I take it you're dwelling on the thought of a magnificent crystal chandelier. Well, you'd best check to see if anyone finds it funny. Don't laugh. This is synergy. One party will be unharmed and unhelped while the other benefits. This is called synergetic grieving with a smile. (All your pores open.) Turn up the air conditioning. Bring on the wooziness. Chuck a sickie to bask in your own elegant listlessness. Keen as. If you find yourself strapped to the back of a celebrity and sent into the desert with no heartbeat, you're being performance managed. But you didn't hear it from me. When a sun dies in a neighbouring galaxy we say it is a victim of circumstance. Think about that next time you decide to get born. Consider the cryogenically frozen pizza. Is it anything? An act of measurement, perhaps? No chance. Sad face emoji. OK. I wasn't going to say anything but one day you will pick up your child for the final time. Happy birthday here is the pizza you ordered. OK. Sorry your vibe was slain. What if I said one day you'll play your last DVD? OK OK. I'm trying. Merrily, merrily, life is butter. Dream? What if I said we were lobbing a cashew the size of a baby into a basketball hoop? What then? Extrapolating dread? We all become mirthful cartographers full of grace? Zero chance. Suddenly, the curriculum. Best practice is a matter of faith in products rather than proof, which is why you stub your favourite toe on the corner of a desk and obtain a blood infection. This is how it's going to be from now on. The new normal. That's right. I said what I said. Without warning. OK OK. Please. Save the applause for the end.