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**Believe in the Impossible: Lorde and Jack Antonoff - An Emotionally Broken Journey**

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# Lorde and Jack Antonoff – An Emotionally Broken Journey

Or, “Lorde and Jack Antonoff 100% Were/Are Being Shady, Are Def Boning if Nothing Else, Lena Sucks Too But This is Bullshit and The People Deserve The Truth”

# Disclaimer

Listen i'm fully aware of what lorde SAYS the album is about and what each song is about so do not come at me with that what is she gonna say, "lol ya it's about how we were bangin behind Lena's back" get real, girl still needs a career and we all know how much The People luv a "homewrecker" (they dont) so yeah, it was important to push a narrative and I believe Melodrama originated as a breakup album but that morphed into something else entirely. JUST GO WITH IT

# Executive Summary

Melodrama, Lorde's (Ella Yelich O'Connor) second album, was recorded July 2015 - January 2017, primarily from Jack Antonoff's home studio in the apartment he shared with long-term girlfriend Lena Dunham, which Lorde moved into for a period of time.

The Wikipedia entry for Melodrama echoes the public positioning of the album:

*"Taking shape after her break-up from her longtime boyfriend James Lowe in 2015, Melodrama has been described as a loose concept album that explores the theme of solitude. It follows the framework of a single house party, along with the events and moods that entail it."*

However, based on the timeline of events in the lives of the people involved, I don't fuckin buy that for one second and I think I am being LIED TO. I went into this journey believing that Lorde and James were bangin it out the whole time, but turns out it was much more complicated than that and now I am fully convinced that a) Jack Antonoff is a real creep and a total fuckboy, b) Lorde is FULLY an Emotionally Broken Psycho, and c) Melodrama started as a breakup album, but ended up being about their relationship journey veiled in a metaphor of a house party.



# Key Players - Ella Yelich-O'Connor (Lorde)

- Y'all I stanned Lorde so hard before I started this journey but I feel very weird now
- Age: 21
- She's from New Zealand, y'all knew that
- Did you know she has dual citizenship with Croatia though?? I didn't
- Blessed us with *Pure Heroine*
- I miss Vampire Lorde
- Her mother has v questionable decision making skills, most notably being chill with Ella/Lorde dating a 24 year old at 16 and having her 14 year old daughter (Lorde) proofread her 40,000 word master's thesis. Her name is Sonja and I bet she spells it with a sexy unique J. Shes not like regular moms she is a Cool Mom
- Loves pineapple juice
- "recently participated in a birth" as one does

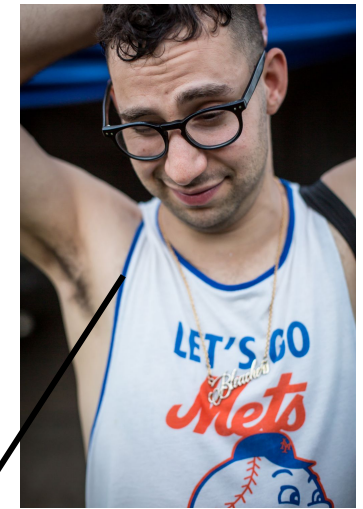
Lorde recently participated in the birth of her best friend's child,



# Key Players - Jack Antonoff

- ugh
- Age: 34 yup thats 13 years older
- fuckboy from Jersey
- why are famous people from nj so angry and sad can't think of any exceptions (see also: Zach Braff, all of My Chemical Romance)
- dated Scarlett Johansson lol
- most notably dated Lena Dunham for 5 years - wow
- plays the mandolin bc of course
- an Aries, and as an Aries I disown him
- i only recently realized how successful he is and it makes me mad
- has won 3 out of 9 grammy nominations
- ugh
- in 2014 he said he was "desperate" for kids so i am now living in fear he will impregnate the Lorde

do u think i DONT HAVE EYES  
YOU ASSHATS



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# Key Players: Lena Dunham

- You know who lina dunham is please don't make me think about her any more than I have already had to
- She sucks but she got done dirty
- do we think she drunk cries to kylo ren?
- biggest insecurity: her teeth, she is facing it according to vogue which is very #brave
- The following was keeping her very busy in 2016, leaving the 2 rats in her home to have their Summer of Luv
  - she actually worked on the clinton campaign for 18 months holy shit melodrama took 18 months to make coincidence i don't FUCKING think so
    - Tr\*mp is lorde's fault bc lina had other things on her mind and could not fully devote her energy to the campaign
  - Apologizing for things  
<http://www.newsweek.com/everything-lina-dunham-publicly-apologized-2016-and-also-2015-534747>



Lena Dunham Faces Her Biggest Insecurity Yet: Her Teeth

Vogue.com  
1 day ago

*By the time we'd made it over the bridge, a friend called. "It's over," she said. "I love you." I was frozen. We stopped at the diner. No one was speaking as they ate, no one*

and that friend was hillary clinton

that aint no persona thats just your personality babe

t "I still haven't had an abortion, but I wish I had," t

"My words were spoken from a sort of 'delusional girl' persona I often inhabit, a girl who careens between wisdom and ignorance (that's what my TV show is too) and it didn't translate," she said in her Instagram post. "That's my fault."

# Minor Player: Taylor Swift

- no, thats becky
- friends with Lena & Lorde separately prior to any of this
- jack co-wrote 4 songs on 1989
- does embarrassing things like public declarations of friendship via puffy paint on a jean jacket in a music video
- “u can’t sit with us”
- hates that I just called her a minor anything

The publication hints that perhaps the relationship went south when Swift wore a t-shirt listing her pals in the “Look What You Made Me Do” video. Names like Lena Dunham, Blake Lively, and her devoted husband Ryan Reynolds were listed, but it was noted that Karlie’s “name was absent.”



 **Angela Lashbrook**  @lemonsand 11 Mar  
Taylor Swift has a video coming tonight for Delicate, aka the best song off Reputation.

 **Lena Dunham**   @lenadunham  
It's an amazing video- a pure artistic statement about constant scrutiny and the complexity of navigating public life. I'm so proud of her.  
9:47 PM - Mar 11, 2018  
❤️ 654 💬 113 people are talking about this

Who gives a fuck, but it appears that Lena and Taylor are still friends to date, but Lena and Lorde are not (obviously) and neither are Lorde and Taylor.  
**Conclusion: Taylor only has room for one snake in her home & it's herself**



# Minor Player: The Ex-Boyfriend Who Supposedly Inspired Melodrama - James Lowe

Lorde dated photographer James Lowe.

FUCKING EW & DON'T TALK TO ME ABOUT AGE OF CONSENT LAWS IN NEW ZEALAND. NO NONONO.

While it's unclear as to when the pair started dating, it seems that they met when she was 16 years old, and he was 24. Yes, there was definitely an age gap there, but apparently it was deemed fine by her parents. In an interview with *Rolling Stone*, Lorde's mom, Sonja Yelich, addressed her daughter's relationship with an older man. She said,

I didn't say, 'Yeah, sure, go date a 24-year-old.' But her dad and I met James and we liked him. When Ella was much younger, her first boyfriend was older — four years or something.

ok what the fuck but anyway Lorde has a pattern of dating significantly older men also what the hell sonja

Sadly though, the couple ended their relationship in 2015, and when her single "Green Light" came out, a lot of people thought that the song was about Lowe.

so we're sad about this now too huh. wild

- needs to hire someone to do his SEO as it is almost as bad as SUR's
- age: 30 (math in the screenshot adds up to an 8 year difference but i guess it's 9 lol totally cool tho sonja said it's fine)
- he's a photographer
- im not ok w this
- SONJA????



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# Timeline - How it Went Down/Dumb Hetero-Normative Gossip

- Early 2014/2015 (conflicting reports): Lorde & Jack Antonoff meet at a Grammy after-party through T Swift or at a Grimes show through Lena, woos her with pineapple juice
- Early-mid 2015 (unclear, not reported on until Jan 2016 but split occurred prior to this): Lorde & bf of 3 years, James Lowe, break up
- July 2015: Lorde begins writing/recording *Melodrama* with Jack Antonoff between his apartment & occasional studio sessions
- Dec 2015: Lorde begins posting photos with Jack on social media recording at Electric Lady Studios
- Spring 2016: Lorde basically moves in with Jack and Lena to record at all times
- Unclear dates, but a large part of 2016: Lena is gone campaigning for Hillary Clinton (“for 18 months”??) and saying extremely offensive things in her downtime
- April 2016: Lorde & Jack go to Coachella together, Lorde is inspired to write *Sober & Sober II*. This is also when Lorde has an epiphany about what *Melodrama* is “supposed to be” and the concept of it as centered around one house party (or - hear me out - they fucked and this kicked off Summer Sixteen)
- Summer 2016: Drake releases “Summer Sixteen” in honor of Jack and Lorde getting their freak on all summer
- Late August 2016: Lorde comments on IG that she’s completed writing and is now in production
- November 2016: Lorde announces she is a newborn adult via Facebook note titled “NOTE FROM THE DESK OF A NEWBORN ADULT” and for her birthday she is giving us new music
- November 2016: Lena loses the election to Tr\*mp as a direct result of Lorde and Jack’s actions
- March 11, 2017: Lorde performs *Green Light* and *Liability* for the first time in public as the musical guest on Saturday Night Live. Wearing a wedding dress. With Jack accompanying on piano
- June 2017: *Melodrama* released
- December 2017: Lena and Jack publicly split, “have been breaking up for 6 months” (if u cant do math that takes us to june)
- January 2018: Jack is publicly dating someone else, and that person is a musician
- Feb 2018: They are photographed gettin cuddly visiting Lorde’s Cool Mom + other spottings
- Jan - March 2018: These idiots think they can lie to me about boning
- April 2018: they basically fuck on a piano during Lorde’s show at Barclays

With Antonoff credited on all but one song on *Melodrama*, and its sole other listed executive producer alongside Lorde, the album bears his fingerprints more obviously than *Masseffect*, and certainly *Reputation* - perhaps reflecting the intense bond of which it was born. They spent months working on *Melodrama* together, mostly in Antonoff’s home studio in Brooklyn. “I miss going literally everywhere with this bud,” Lorde captioned a paparazzi photograph of the two of them on [Instagram](#).

# Put it in the dictionary next to “emotionally broken psycho”



- I wasn't fucking joking about the wedding dress on SNL
- Yes that is Jack accompanying on piano, as they lean back to back
- I will never get over this



# I fucking dare you to tell me these people are not emotionally and/or physically fucking

**When we finished** breakfast at the Flame, around 2 a.m., the blizzard's first flurries were falling. We took the 1 back downtown and made plans for me to visit Lorde and Antonoff in the studio the following day as they tackled several incomplete songs. I heard nothing further until 5 that afternoon, when I was out trudging through the snow and she texted from the studio to disinvite me. "Today is totally not going to work i'm so sorry. Been really hectic over here and some tears lol."

The next day things had righted themselves, and Lorde invited me over. The studio sat 10 stories above a block crammed with art galleries. I asked what had happened. "It got grim," she said. "Jack and I know each other so well by this point, we can communicate almost telepathically. But some days one of us will say something, and the other's like, What do you mean by that?!"

New York Times, April 2017

"I was basically speed-dating different producers and songwriters in LA and hating it. And then I walked into a room with [Jack Antonoff] and just felt like home. I was like, 'Oh, yes. I want to be around you as long as I can and as much as possible.' We were just obsessed with each other."

**Around the time you were working with Jack on *Melodrama*, he was working on Taylor Swift's and [St. Vincent's](#) albums.**

And he manages to make you feel like he's only working on your thing. [The Bleachers](#) album is what he was working on most of the time. Those two records were really happening side by side. It's like when people have their babies around the same time and the babies are friends. We still FaceTime almost every day. When you work with someone, you sometimes think, "Maybe it will just be for this time, and we say we're going to keep in touch but we won't." But we really ... I'm like, "Hey, dickhead, what are

## **Is there a moment that, to you, kind of crystallizes who Jack is?**

When I came to New York, we had only written together maybe a couple of times, and we were very obsessed with each other on a creative level and as buds. I was sort of doing nothing in New York, and we did this thing where for five days in a row we just kept having dinner every night, just getting to know each other. One night, somehow it came up that I hadn't had Cap'n Crunch or Cinnamon Toast Crunch or Lucky Charms. He was like, "We have to do this." So we went to a bodega, got all of these cereals and went back to his house in Brooklyn and did a little lineup of bowls. We tried, like, 20 different kinds of cereal. *[Laughs.]* I still think about Cinnamon Toast Crunch all the time.

<https://thespinoff.co.nz/music/19-06-2017/the-spinoff-exclusive-lorde-explains-the-backstory-behind-every-song-on-her-new-album/>

# I Bet Lena Can't Drink Pineapple Juice Now

There are conflicting reports on how Jack & Lorde met but pineapple juice was involved

- Rolling Stone says they met in 2015 at a Grimes show, through Lena because Lorde and Lena had been “talking online.”
  - "We were at a Grimes show, and he was like, 'I'll go get you a drink,' Lorde says, 'and sort of disappeared into another room and came back with a can of pineapple juice – which is quite a weird thing to bring someone – handed it to me, then whipped it back and rubbed the top of it and said, 'Rats crawl over them in the factories.' she sensed that she "had come home in the nicest possible way, to meet someone like that."
- Everything else I've found says they met in 2014 at a Grammy party through Taylor Swift
  - He still got her a pineapple juice and she “felt like she was home”



does lena think jack likes the beach? is he a damn liar? also yes what a cozy cozy cult



# Bangin ur man in ur house – The Audacity

“Ella & Jack worked on most of this album in our apartment and it was a privilege to watch her create and feed her little snacks,” Lena wrote on Instagram.



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Linked in HelloGiggles article 3/17/17, post since deleted

With these mysteries solved, Lorde spent a lot of the rest of 2016 in New York, working out of a studio in the Brooklyn house Antonoff shares with Dunham, who lent emotional, if not material, sustenance. “Lena’s not really an award-winning cook,” Lorde says, laughing. “There were a lot of Postmates. But she would come in and be like, ‘You’re incredible, you’re the greatest people, I love you, goodbye.’” Outside the studio, Lorde often kept to herself.

## **Bangin ur man in ur house AND insulting your cooking - MY GOD**

### **2. They were friends before he split up with Lena Dunham!**

Lorde and Lena knew each other before Lorde met Antonoff. And Lorde knew Antonoff because he produced her album *Melodrama*. Lorde talked about her friendship with the now-ex-couple during an interview with Seth Meyers, saying “He’s an amazing person, and so truly strange. He’s like my sibling now... He’s like my work husband. Lena will like pop down the hall and be like, ‘How are you guys doing?’ and we’ll be like ‘Good!’”

### **3. They recorded together IN HIS AND LENA'S APARTMENT!**

The reason Lena could just pop on in and see how their musical sparks were flying was because Lorde and Antonoff were recording the album in the apartment he shared with Dunham. Were they falling in love right under his then-girlfriend's nose?!?! [The folks at DListed have hinted it happened!](#)

# Lorde & Taylor Are On and Off More Than James and Lala but It Looks Like They're Off-Off - Out of Loyalty to Lena??

2014: Taylor Swift reportedly introduces Lorde and Jack (who worked on 1989) at a Grammy's party. "We were at a Grammy party, and Jack got me a can of pineapple juice," she recalled. Antonoff struck her as appealingly eccentric, and after a few exploratory sessions, she took him on as her main co-writer."

LOL KILL ME



< -I will take any excuse to post this sorry

unsatisfactory. Take Lorde, for example, who while promoting her own album got into a few minor-controversies over the summer when asked about Swift. During one interview she seemed to say she was no longer part of the squad, but quickly walked them back.

<- Summer 2017: Lorde and Taylor on the rocks, Lena & Jack in process of breaking up

Feb 2018

March 2018

"But after a year full of high-profile break-ups and public feuds, some of the group's most famous members are keeping their distance and Lorde is the latest to take a breather.

"She has still seen Taylor on and off but is now closer to Katy, which Taylor will not be happy about."

Fast-forward to Tuesday, March 27, when Lorde—who has been photographed with Swift numerous times on the red carpet and has often talked highly about her interviews—covered two of West's songs, "Love Lockdown" and "Runaway." Considering Lorde and Swift's close friendship, fans were confused by the covers. Because of Swift's high-profile feud with West, fans speculated that Lorde and Swift are no longer close, otherwise she wouldn't have covered West's songs—let alone, compliment him before her set.

"Thanks, Chicago! It must be nice to come from the same place as Kanye West," she told the crowd.

<http://stylecaster.com/taylor-swift-lorde-feud/>

# Lena & Jack Break Up

- December 2017: Jack & Lena split after 5 years of dating
- Early Jan 2018: Jack reportedly dating someone new and they are “a musician”

“They had been slowly breaking up for the last six months. It was very drawn out,” a source tells Us Weekly exclusively. “They took forever to actually break up. It just took way too long to pull off the bandaid.”

The *Girls* creator, 31, isn't shocked by her former love's new romance. “By the end Lena knew he was probably dating someone else,” the first source explains. “But he didn't cheat.”

Oh ok





# Lorde & Jack Get Heteronormative

There was talk that the collaborators were secretly together, even before Antonoff's break-up with Dunham was official. When Lorde admitted to *Billboard* that they FaceTime every day and are "obsessed with each other," it certainly didn't help their case for a purely platonic relationship. Most recently, the duo was spotted embracing in Lorde's hometown of Auckland, New Zealand.

Before their streetside cuddle, a source said that the two looked very cozy at Clive Davis *Grammys* party in New York, and "it was obvious they were dating."



2/28/18 – Lorde & Jack in Lorde's hometown

jackantonoff   
@jackantonoff



normally i would never address rumors but i resent having the most important friendships and working relationships in my life reduced to dumb hetero normative gossip. those relationships are deeply important and sacred. with that said, im not seeing anyone. lol.

1:21 AM - Jan 17, 2018

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lol.



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lordemusic happy birthday to one of the best. so happy to know you and annoy you daily and so thankful to be in a long creative conversation with you about what it means to be alive. ours is a relationship that will be special and vital for a long time i'm thinking. so many memories all over the world in studios and restaurants and at concerts, laughing, crying (me), drinking all of the juices and occasionally disgusting you by walking barefoot through brooklyn.. you make a killer soft boiled egg and you're so fucking patient and i love all of your weird outfit/haircut/beard phases!!!! (i have some very grim photos but only posted the cute ones except for this face swap which is literally the worst thing i've ever seen) you're the top. and so proud that today you have released the first song from an excellent album. JA + EYO forever and always

# Listen they are not only fucking but they are forcing me to watch and telling me it's not happening we are all being gaslit

4/4/18: Lorde - "Ella" - brings Jack, who is chewing gum, onstage at her show in Brooklyn

and singing on the stage. Antonoff spilled some cute-sy gossip about his maybe-GF including that she eats bodega sushi and walks barefoot in NYC. He didn't say whether he takes care of her if she gets foot poisoning or athlete's foot after those quirky-but-questionable activities.

INTERVENTION!!!! INTERVENTION

**Lindsey Weber:** But honestly, the show was amazing. And then ... "I have a guest." Guess who, it's Jack.

**Mariah Smith:** Jack, who is chewing gum, and looks like a kid in a candy store seeing "Ella." The way he called her "Ella" so many times was a hate crime.

**Lindsey Weber:** They were FULL-ON FLIRTING for an arena of people! People even reported some knee-stroking.

**Mariah Smith:** The minute Jack came out, Lorde was practically spread-eagle in his lap.

**Lindsey Weber:** And then she faced him directly because he was playing guitar as she sang ... at him. Gazing into each other's eyes!

They did one song sitting down on the stage [a cover of St. Vincent's "New York"], and then he played in the back. That was my other favorite part — after the first song they did together, she went, "Oh why don't you just sit here for the next one?" And he was like, "I'd rather play?" Then HE LEFT to go to the back.

**Mariah Smith:** She seemed to clench tightly as he got up ...

**Lindsey Weber:** My question for you: What did she want at that time?

**Mariah Smith.** She wanted that D. Or, she was hoping he would kiss her.

**Lindsey Weber:** So do you think that was a display of requited or unrequited love?

**Mariah Smith:** I think in her heart of hearts, she would have been thrilled by kissing him onstage in front of an arena full of people and being front-page news the next day. It's such a young-20s move.

**Lindsey Weber:** But you have to admit, it's like ... the most telling song.

**Mariah Smith:** If there's not something going on, picking this song was her openly admitting her feelings for him. But if there IS, then this choice was just some nasty bedroom stuff brought to the stage.

**Lindsey Weber:** It's all, REMEMBER WHEN I LIVED IN NYC AND WE HUNG OUT ALL THE TIME.

**Mariah Smith:** AND WE MADE THIS "RECORD."





# Green Light

I know about what you did and I wanna scream the truth  
She thinks you love the beach, you're such a damn liar

What you did = Fucked me

We have a very deep connection and  
Lena does not get u like I do!!

Thought you said that you would always be in love  
But you're not in love no more  
Did it frighten you  
How we kissed when we danced on the light up floor?

Ur a lil bitch and ur too afraid to tell  
lena and let our love blossom. we  
kissed to FLORENCE AND THE  
MACHINE. ur gonna wish you never  
met me

On the light up floor  
But I hear sounds in my mind  
Brand new sounds in my mind

Lol get it bc u produced & I have a new  
sound now

But honey I'll be seein' you wherever I go  
But honey I'll be seein' you down every road  
*I'm waiting for it, that green light, I want it*

Im not goin NOWHERE and  
will wait until u leave her

Yes, honey I'll come get my things, but I can't let go  
*I'm waiting for it, that green light, I want it*

Oh, I wish I could get my things and just let go  
*I'm waiting for it, that green light, I want it*

Ok ill pick up my cable box  
and mail but im gonna get  
dressed up for it

Sometimes I wake up in a different bedroom  
I whisper things, the city sings 'em back to you

Btw when im not sleeping in ur living room im  
telling taylor that we fuckin and I hope she tells  
lena

[Refrain]

Well those rumors, they have big teeth  
Hope they bite you

Well those great whites, they have big teeth  
Hope they bite you

- supposedly about being cheated ON, but from the first time I heard it I thought it was pretty clearly about being the Other Woman and I learned from The Gift of Fear that im supposed to trust my instincts
- She previewed an early version with Max Martin at first but he didn't like it so it sat in limbo for a while
- She was "inspired" after going to a Florence & the Machine show with Jack aka they made out. They rewrote & produced it over the next 18 months
- She says it's about her first major heartbreak, which I think is a reference to being with someone who can't fully be with you
  - I think she originally wrote as a song about James but was v moved by the lights during Florence & the Machine and thus love was born
  - Also, James likes the beach so that don't add up
- To me, this song is about Jack "opening Lorde's eyes" BARF, them starting to bang it out behind Lena's back (on the couch, Kristen and Jax style), Jack getting cold feet, and Lorde basically saying she can leave the apartment but she's not just going to get over it.
- The "green light" is Jack and Lena breaking up.

Either way she wants James or Jack to get eaten by a shark which is hilarious. So do I. She references Green Light as "the first chapter" of 2015-2017 so here we go, kickin thangs off

# Green Light pt 2 (I forgot to add this part)



Lorde  
@lorde

Follow

auckland thank you so much for coming out last night..



I do my makeup in somebody else's car  
We order different drinks at the same bars

Bein real sneaky so no one sees us together/questions our relationship

this aint no coincidence

disco song.<sup>[53]</sup> Lorde was inspired to write the track after attending a Florence and the Machine concert with Antonoff; the process took her 18 months to complete. She also mentioned that the piano line in

11:02 AM - 1 Mar 2017

@buzzkillary



# Sober

Bitch the AUDACITY

**Lorde** @lorde  
 so the first inklings of sober came to me in the back of an uber, and then properly at jack and lena's kitchen table. i BOLTED to the studio  
 8:00 AM - Jun 9, 2017  
 8,153 likes 1,051 people are talking about this

Lmao is that what they're calling it these days

**Lorde** @lorde  
 i'll never forget writing the first demo it was like a trance i guided jack to the chords almost wordlessly with my hands on his shoulders  
 8:01 AM - Jun 9, 2017  
 7,336 likes 936 people are talking about this

**Lorde** @lorde  
 & i think we expressed the emotions so purely- it's leaning & drawling, juvenile & triumphant - impressing someone then embarrassing urself  
 8:11 AM - Jun 9, 2017  
 7,698 likes 1,232 people are talking about this

**Lorde** @lorde  
 & that late-saturday-night declaration "WE PRETEND THAT WE JUST DON'T CARE / BUT WE CARE" tasted as fresh & new in my mouth as ice water  
 8:15 AM - Jun 9, 2017  
 8,157 likes 1,340 people are talking about this

Oh, God, I'm clean out of air in my lungs  
 It's all gone  
 Played it so nonchalant  
 It's time we danced with the truth  
 Move alone with the truth  
 Ooh (hey)  
 We're sleeping through all the days  
 I'm acting like I don't see  
 Every ribbon you used to tie yourself to me

Shockingly it is difficult to live with ur lover and his gf

But my hips have missed your hips  
 So, let's get to know the kicks  
 Will you sway with me?  
 Go astray with me?

We been bangin and ur gf is getting in the way

We're King and Queen of the weekend  
 Ain't a pill that could touch our rush  
 (But what will we do when we're sober?)  
 When you dream with a fever  
 Bet you wish you could touch our rush  
 (But what will we do when we're sober?)  
 These are the games of the weekend  
 We pretend that we just don't care  
 But we care  
 (But what will we do when we're sober?)

Yikes on bikes this is gonna be awkward when we have to pretend we aren't fuckin when lenas around

Oh, God, I'm closing my teeth  
 Around this liquor-wet lime  
 Midnight, lose my mind  
 I know you're feeling it too  
 Can we keep up with the ruse?

Honestly do I even need to say anything about this song, inspired by lord & jack's coachella trip??? Like LOL

I know this story by heart:  
 Jack and Jill get fucked up and possessive  
 When it get dark

Presented without comment

Midnight, we're fading  
 'Til daylight, we're jaded  
 We know that it's over  
 In the morning, you'll be dancing with all the heartache  
 And the treason, the fantasies of leaving  
 But we know that, when it's over  
 In the morning, you'll be dancing with us

Again, presented without comment

# The Louvre

“Summer” is a reference that comes up multiple times in Melodrama as basically a party that ended in consequences one person thinks they won’t have to answer for but the other is going to make them answer for it. e.g. Lorde and Jack got it goin all summer 16 while Lena was gone

We banged all summer

Well, summer slipped us underneath her tongue  
Our days and nights are perfumed with obsession  
Half of my wardrobe is on your bedroom floor  
Use our eyes, throw our hands overboard

Lmao no kidding

I am your sweetheart psychopathic crush  
Drink up your movements, still I can't get enough

A rush at the beginning

I get caught up, just for a minute

But lover, you're the one to blame

All that you're doing

Can you hear the violence?

Megaphone to my chest

Broadcast the boom, boom, boom, boom

And make 'em all dance to it

you're not going to be able to get away with cheating and making me fall for u this easily so I am going to tell THE ENTIRE WORLD

Our thing progresses

I call and you come through

Blow all my friendships

To sit in hell with you

But we're the greatest

They'll hang us in the Louvre

Down the back, but who cares—still the Louvre

Okay I know that you are not my type

(still I fall)

I'm just the sucker who let you fill her mind

(but what about love?)

Nothing wrong with it

Supernatural

Just move in close to me, closer, you'll feel it coasting

Lena & Lorde aren't friends anymore. Lorde & Taylor aren't friends anymore. So ya basically this is a super healthy relationship with a 20 year old who thinks she knows it all and fuck the haters

“he says he's going to leave her though”

*but now she's back and jack is gonna pay*

# Liability

Baby really hurt me, crying in the taxi

He don't wanna know me

Says he made the big mistake of dancing in my storm

Says it was poison

So I guess I'll go home into the arms of the girl that I love

The only love I haven't screwed up

She's so hard to please but she's a forest fire

I do my best to meet her demands, play at romance

We slow dance in the living room, but all that a stranger would

see

Is one girl swaying alone, stroking her cheek

They say, "You're a little much for me, you're a liability

You're a little much for me"

So they pull back, make other plans

I understand, I'm a liability

Get you wild, make you leave

I'm a little much for e-a-na-na-na, everyone

Lena is back from the summer,  
lorde got trump elected, this has  
gone too far for Jack who was just  
tryna fuck

The truth is I am a toy that people enjoy

'Til all of the tricks don't work anymore

And then they are bored of me

I know that it's exciting running through the night

But every perfect summer's eating me alive until you're gone

Better on my own

Nobody gets me except me I am so alone and very  
self destructive I think I might be the voice of my  
generation, maybe not THE voice, but A voice

You can't just be in a relationship with me all  
summer and then bail

"yo ella we gotta chill on this please stop touching  
my knee around lena"



# Hard Feelings/Loveless

Lorde on Hard Feelings:

"I was basically speed-dating different producers and songwriters in LA and hating it. And then I walked into a room with [Jack Antonoff] and just felt like home. I was like, 'Oh, yes. I want to be around you as long as I can and as much as possible.' We were just obsessed with each other."

Lorde via [The Spinoff](#)

and then we get loveless, which is... a lot

Bet you wanna rip my heart out

Bet you wanna skip my calls now

Well guess what? I like that

'Cause I'm gonna mess your life up

Gonna wanna tape my mouth shut

Look out, lovers

# Sober II (Melodrama)

You asked if I was feeling it, I'm psycho high  
Know you won't remember in the morning when  
I speak my mind  
Lights are on and they've gone home, but who am I?

They'll talk about us, all the lovers  
How we kiss and kill each other  
They'll talk about us, and discover  
How we kissed and killed each other

This puts Sober and Sober II being written in April 2016 kickin off summer 16 of lina gone and these 2 gettin it and there's a lot of conflicted feelings about it



LORDE via NPR

“ That song is interesting, it's the second part of one of the first songs that we wrote where I really started to understand what the album would be, which was “Sober.” The two of them kind of came around the same time, this was April of last year — I remember Jack [Antonoff] and I went out to Coachella and we got a studio in Palm Springs.

“I miss Coachella”  
“me too”  
“we could get a boombox and have our own Coachella in my backyard”



# Writer in the Dark

Break the news—you're walking out  
To be a good man for someone else  
Sorry I was never good like you  
Stood on my chest and kept me down  
Hated hearing my name on the lips of a crowd  
Did my best to exist just for you

Idk I don't have a clear read on this but I read it as Lorde wanting Jack to leave Lena and knowing he is holding her back

Bet you rue the day you kissed a writer in the dark  
Bet you rue the day you kissed a writer in the dark  
Now she's gonna play and sing and lock you in her heart  
Bet you rue the day you kissed a writer in the dark

Need I say more

I am my mother's child, I'll love you 'til my breathing stops  
I'll love you 'til you call the cops on me  
But in our darkest hours, I stumbled on a secret power  
I'll find a way to be without you, babe

I ride the subway, read the signs  
I let the seasons change my mind  
I love it here since I've stopped needing you

summer 16 is over, lena is done running for president, lorde is trying to accept jack isnt leaving lena



LORDE via NME

“ I think that when you do this, you have to find a way to live with yourself, because it's not making no one feel anything. A handful of people will listen to this album and have it sort of get them [in the gut].

I aint sorry

But it was important for me to say. And I don't think that song is apologising for it. It's more like, what did you think was going to happen? I was doing this before I met you and I'll be doing this after you're gone... I felt quite empowered.

Lmao sneaky babe no idea who you're referring to!!!


It was weird, I woke up in the middle of the night and was lying next to someone. And I wrote it down on my phone and I was like, 'Oh God, I feel so naughty writing this!' While somebody's sleeping, like an evil witch. But I really love that song. I feel like it's such a cool, painful moment in the record.

[VIA NME](#)

# this message brought to u by dumb hetero normative gossip™

When Lena Dunham and Jack Antonoff announced their breakup last month, after five years together, speculation arose immediately. At one point, the rumors around the Bleachers frontman's new love interest(s) were so pervasive, Antonoff took to Twitter to ask everyone to stop reducing his life to “dumb hetero normative gossip.” Since then, those romantic rumors have run rampant, pairing

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part of

... stop reducing his life to “dumb hetero  
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# In conclusion

- can old dudes please stop preying on lorde
- it is a confusing timeline but as far as i can tell:
  - lorde & jack start fucking april 2016, which carries through the summer
  - lots of drama, lots of hate sex, lots of pouring out of hearts
  - lena gets back from campaigning, more drama
  - lots of jack saying “we’re not doign this anymore” but in the immortal words of lala kent, once the d has entered one of your holes it’s very easy for it to re-enter
  - at some point the breakup is for an extended period of time and lorde is very SAD
  - but when the album is released june 2017, jack and lena “begin the process of breaking up” which culminates in a public breakup in dec 2017
  - these assholes have been \*TOGETHER\* since jan of this year and think theyre being sneaky
  - lena got to keep taylor swift in the friend breakup which im not sure is a win
- im angry at everyone involved but especially sonja



# dumb heteronormative gossip starter pack

obsessed

Sonja

SUMMER SIXTEEN



and are "obsessed with each other," i

jackantonoff  
@jackantonoff

normally I would never address rumors but I resent having w... most important friendships and working relationships in my life reduced to dumb hetero normative gossip. those relationships are deeply important and sacred. with that said, im not seeing anyone. lol.

1:21 AM - Jan 17, 2018

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gas-light

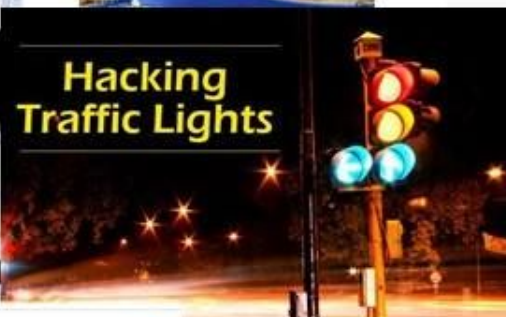
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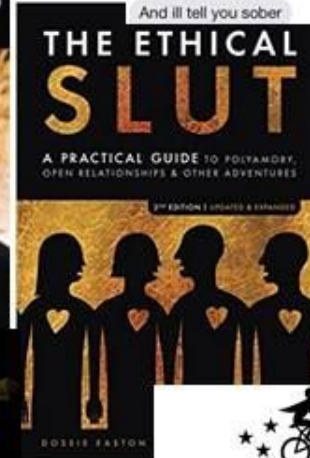
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obsessed with each other."



I wish I could lie and say I'm drunk texting but I'm not I miss you so much it hurts to breathe I wish you felt the same. I wish you could realize how much I fucking need you and how much you need me!

Tragically dramatic poems by a tragically dramatic teenager



I have had enough Jamie I am dumping u

U have made me have depreshon

Smh

Lorde @lorde

I'll never forget writing the first demo it was like a trance I guided jack to the chords almost wordlessly with my hands on his shoulders

8:01

Still hate you

Hate you a little more today

I hate you

I hate you

Ok?

Can you not text me this everyday. It's been three fucking years.

I don't want you to forget.

Co-dependents Beliefs

1. Am not enough
  2. Not lovable
  3. Don't feel
  4. Don't self care
  5. Don't enjoy
  6. Am to blame
- Beliefs



COUNTDOWN TO COACHELLA



We were just obsessed with each other."

POSTMATES





Appendix B:  
Relationship Map

