

Ah Deftones and their album 'Koi No Yokan'. I believe it's a typo, and should really be 'Koi, no. Yo Ken'. Or in other words, 'No fish. Hello Ken'. It's the kind of thing you'd say in your local chippy. Oh I do apologise, Google says it's Japanese. It actually means 'the sense we have just met a person with whom we will inevitable fall in love with'. Ahem. You may be excited by the situation, but you're making me feel uncomfortable. Please keep your feelings to yourself. Many people are against other people spending so much time on their phones, but if they texted their feelings rather than made an album of them, I at least would be happier. On the plus side, the Japanese was efficient. Three words as opposed to 17? Snappy isn't the word, maybe there should be a new word. Like the even shorter 'Sna'. And the Nintendo Entertainment System? Not a bad thing to say. People say Robocop was a mediocre game, but I think it's flawless 2D action. A country to admire!

I wasn't MASSIVELY keen on this album when I first heard it. I'm not 100% sure why, but I have theories. I got a free shirt with the CD. It's as if the band were saying 'This may not be our best work, but it's not all bad!' The fact the shirt logo was in a font no one could possibly see from a short distance (apart from in a person's subconscious if you want to go Derren Brown) suggested to me the band were embarrassed. Maybe the band were so because it had a bit of a mushy title. If so, start up your art program on your computer and rename things. Not so hard! You tour endlessly and you release albums consistently, you have the motivation. I get it, I don't like technology either, but my fears aren't so bad I stop myself from simply clicking the 'open' button. How's about this name for an album?: Defdestruktion. It may be cheesy, cliched, spelt wrong and rubbish but it IS better.

Here's a more rational theory: I didn't like the album quite so much as it wasn't as good as their earlier ones. Makes sense to me, it's obvious even, but I think mentioning Derren Brown alone makes me seem more intelligent, so the previous writing stays. Some of my earlier writing may make me seem intolerant of certain people, but I am and don't care. So that stays, too. You know what? I think 'No fish. Hello Ken' is a good name for an album. At very least it can be understood by more than one percent of the population. Also, I think it's fun. Some of the group's other titles seem kind of serious to me. 'Adrenaline' and 'Gore'? Give me the rejection of unhealthy meals and the greetings of friends any day. It's a two for one in the title alone.

You may be wondering what the Japanese phrase looks like as album cover art. Well, I've been staring at it for ages, and have no clues, not even crazy ones which says a lot. It's just some shapes and blurred white lights/stars, maybe? I don't feel loved up when looking at it, nor do I see a guy named Ken in a fish and chip shop rejecting the food because it's bad for you. All I see is confusion which I guess is fitting now that I think of it. Maybe I'm too focused on the name. Maybe it doesn't really matter and it's all about the music. Well, how would you feel if The Beatles's 'Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band' was called 'Hello, Jeff. No Burger'? An awful name for an LP. And such a loved up name in a metal band? Imagine if Slipknot's 'Wait and Bleed' was called 'Wait and Love'. No!

To conclude, actually the album is pretty good. It's still not their best, but I think I'm finally starting to fall in love with it. Hang on... that's... that's what the album means! (Roughly). Ohhhh Deftones have been proven to be geniuses once more. I'd go a

step further and call them psychic. The album gets 9/10, but the musician's mental abilities get a full 10. And despite my previous comments, I like fish and chips. You don't want to eat them all the time, but if you eat koi that isn't battered and give the chips to someone else? That could definitely work, health-wise. However, the hypothetical album name of that scenario sounds a bit TOO weird for me. I however will try out of curiosity. Here it goes: 'Non-Battered Koi Yes, Ken. Chips For You.' It sucks. Bye!