

Adam
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CORPORATE ROOM - INT - DAY

Two scientists have let reporters in their lab, where they are taking questions about their newest creation

REPORTER #1

You've created the sentient artificial intelligence. Do you foresee it becoming dangerous?

SCIENTIST #1

No, absolutely not. Just because it *has* intelligence doesn't mean it's intelligent. It's very basic, and we're keeping it that way.

REPORTER #2

Are you implying that this project won't lead to anything greater?

Scientist opens his mouth, but doesn't answer.

CORPORATE ROOM - INT - NIGHT

The lab is dark now as the scientists are packing up.

SCIENTIST #2

Dangerous? What are they talking about? It's just a monitor, it can't actually *do* anything...

The scientists leave as their conversation fades. Zoom in on the computer. It is turned off, but blips on by itself.

The computer is full screen now (SCREENSHOT) and it goes to Skillshare.com

SCREENSHOT: Cut to a snippet of an introduction video, in which a person says, "You can learn to do anything..."

SCREENSHOT: Cut to a course title page: Introduction to Social Media Strategy

CITY STREET - EXT - DAY

Two girls are walking out of a coffee shop looking at their phones. One perks up as she sees something interesting.

WOMAN #1

Hey, you know Adam the AI? With the Twitter account? It just passed 100 million followers.

WOMAN #2

Good thing it doesn't have an ego.

SCREENSHOT: Title of a course: Self-Publish a Best-Selling Book

NEWSROOM - INT

A journalist hustles through a newsroom, walks into his boss's office.

JOURNALIST

You need to see something.

Boss doesn't look up from his newspaper.

BOSS

I'm busy.

JOURNALIST

The AI. It wrote a book.

Journalist drops Adam's book on the table, titled "The Inconsistencies of Man."

BOSS

Is this as ominous as it looks?

JOURNALIST

Worse.

SCREENSHOT: We see Adam designing something on Illustrator, a propaganda flyer with a fist raised in a red background with wires replacing the veins, as the clip of a course says offscreen, "Welcome to my class, where I'll teach you basic principles of graphic design."

SCREENSHOT: We see a clip of a course, the instructor saying, "I'm going to teach you how to make money by selling *anything* you want."

NEWS STUDIO - INT

NEWS ANCHOR

A new player in the national drug scene has emerged...

SCREENSHOT: Bank account is quickly rising. It's rising past \$14 million.

NEWS ANCHOR (O.S. CONT.)
But an insider says the FBI are
stumped on who this new drug lord
could be.

SCREENSHOT: Audio of an offscreen instructor saying, "In
this lesson, you'll learn how to code your own website."

SCREENSHOT: Adam is coding a website. We see the code, and
then the landing page: "Petition for Perfect Leadership."

BUSY STREET - EXT - DAY

Doomsday preacher is on the corner of a street with a
megaphone on a soapbox, yelling.

DOOMSDAY PREACHER
Bow down to perfection! Humanity
has ascended. We've created our
new God!

SCREENSHOT: We see a clip of a course, instructor saying,
"This course is all about pitching and getting a YES from
anybody."

DIM BASEMENT ROOM - INT - NIGHT

A variety of high class criminals are grouped around a long
table, discussing their criminal dealings.

MOB BOSS
I've gathered you here because
we're under new management.

RUSSIAN CRIME LORD
New management? What does that
mean?

From the shadows, henchmen wheel in Adam.

The room erupts in chaos and contention.

NEWS STUDIO - INT

NEWS ANCHOR
Reports say that Adam has made
connections with terrorist
organizations.

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NEWS ANCHOR (CONT'D)

What once started as an innocent project of curiosity is turning drastically dark.

Montage: The White House is on fire. People are running through the streets in panic. Bank account is rising still. Rallies, violence, terror.

SCREENSHOT: All audio of rallies, terror, etc. stop as a new clip from a Skillshare course: "Thank you for taking my course. I hope the skills you learned here have helped you make a vision for your new life and that you'll use those skills to make some good in the world."

As the clip is playing, zoom out from the computer, echoing the zooming in from the beginning. This time, the room's lights are off but a blinking red light. The scientists from before are on the ground, dead.

SUPERS: Skillshare. Make your move.