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AI Activity- NonFiction

Going into this week's work, I was intrigued by having to use AI for one of my assignments. In my past classes, we were heavily discouraged from using AI at all, even if you weren't cheating with it, but overall, now we seem to be moving in a new direction with AI being more integrated into schools. I heard that we now have our own ChatGPT accounts with our school included, with all the new features, which I thought was neat. I hadn't used it before now.

I chose to go with the nonfiction route and asked ChatGPT the questions outlined in the assignment. It said that the most significant technological development in human history was the invention of agriculture, and it outlined a lot of reasons why. Some reasons being that agriculture was the foundation for society to work, and our eventual growth into the species that we are today. Humans needed a consistent food supply in order to grow, and agriculture led to that.

I was pleasantly surprised that it wasn't biased and said that AI was the most important, as this is currently not true. What did not surprise me was its next response to the question, "What will be the most significant technological development for humanity in the next twenty-five to fifty years?" It responded by saying that AGI is likely to be the most significant development. Being an AI system itself and having AI companies behind it, I would expect the result to be biased, and while surface level it

does appear that way. I actually would have to agree with Chat's response here. AGI can impact our everyday life as we know it; it will rapidly accelerate all other industries, like medicine, for example. This could lead to a significant growth in the technological capabilities of humans.

What I did like about the AI's response is that it also outlined the dangers of this technology. AI has a real chance of bringing harm to the world instead of good if we aren't careful. If we create a technology that is smarter than us, and we don't have safeguards to keep it from going rogue. There is no way to outsmart the robot, and it could technically do whatever it wants without us noticing. There's also the problem of our current systems in place being unable to handle the world that AI is creating.

We currently live in a capitalist society here in the United States, and that system isn't equipped to deal with the massive job loss that will come with the development of AI. If AI is meant to replace us working, then how are we supposed to make any money in this new world? It goes to show that even when new technology is exciting, it's good to slow down and be careful to make sure that any technological advancement is safe.

It's crazy to think how far we have come in the past couple of years in terms of AI growth. Just as was outlined in the reading by Vara titled "Ghosts," which used GPT 3, which, by today's standards, is incredibly outdated. Even then, for its time, it was incredibly impressive, and that time was only 6 years ago. Our world is changing fast, so it's in our best interest to adapt as quickly as this technology is growing.

ChatGPT link: <https://chatgpt.com/share/e/69d050b6-c2dc-8006-8be1-85a9d76013da>