

EXT. SYNTELL COMPANY OFFICES

Establishing shot of company name and building

INT. COMPUTER LAB

A couple of older scientists and a few younger ones are sitting around a desk at their terminals. An older one looks up from screen and jokes

BRIAN

You know what, it's funny that us older chaps have all landed up on this desk don't you think! Must be over 90 years experience sitting right here.

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

I know Brian, it's like being on the 'care home' table!

They all laugh as they all get on well

BRIAN

Less of your cheek boy!

They turn back to their terminals and carry on working just as the boss (Rob) walks by. He stops and questions the younger scientist, completely blanking the older ones

ROB

How's that code coming along?

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Almost there boss. I just need to write the preprocessor C++ directives code and...

BRIAN

Haven't we used that before? It wasn't stable if I remember rightly... Err wasn't it used in 1998 and the Artificial Intelligence couldn't reason quick enough to be convincing...that was it...

ROB

Things have moved on thank you. Let me know when that final coding is in place so we can ready ourselves for Loebner this year.

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Yes boss

Rob walks off in a dismissive manner. The scientists get back to work

BRIAN

I am sure it didn't work last time...John can you remember?

JOHN

Yeah I think you are right you know

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Look the boss knows best - you've been round the block too many times mate!

BRIAN

You are not wrong there! Ah well what do we know...

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Less of the 'we' - don't include us in your SAGA club!

They all laugh. Brian gazes in thought at Robs office who's door is closed.

INT. BOSS OFFICE

Rob is on the phone

ROB

Yes it is all coming together. Initial testing shows the AI should fool the judges at the Loebner Competition.

Pauses while listening

ROB

Yes, I have seen the email and I have a strategic plan to reduce costs of the department. Time for another 'restructure' don't you think? There is some 'dead wood' that have been around a bit and aren't that innovative, just keep going on about the past.... Right will do

We see what Rob has been scribbling on his pad while talking - the word BRIAN is circled. Knock on the door heard. The young scientist pops his around the corner.

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Code's in place.

ROB

Excellent, commence testing and then enter us in. This year Syntell will show the world the future

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Cool!

Shuts door - screen goes white

INT. BRIAN'S KITCHEN

Fade to white screen of an iPad as the Technology news page loads up. Small headline in bottom corner reads: 'Another year passes and no closer to real AI'. We see it is Brian reading it whilst having breakfast. He is talking to his wife

BRIAN

Whoops...its going to hit the fan at work today love. I did warn them about that code, but they wouldn't have it. It's a real shame as it would do wonders if they had cracked it.

He gets up and walks over to his wife

BRIAN

I reckon I could get it to work you know. If they let me have a go at it that is ... no chance of that eh..

Kisses his wife and walks into camera fading it to black

INT. COMPUTER LAB

Brian walks away from camera fading up from black towards his seat. Staff are all sitting down at their terminals looking at the Boss Rob who is about to address them.

ROB

Morning everyone. Since I took over last year I have been working on a new more streamlined working structure. A structure I have used in my last job and proved successful. I realise another restructure isn't helpful in the short term, but the benefits to the company long term will be substantial including better alignment with other departments; making it easier for Development to face off to Integration etc. I have produced a deck which will clarify this in detail.

BRIAN

"Deck"?

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

That's a PowerPoint presentation to you!

ROB

We are working with HR to get through this as quick as possible so check your emails when you get back to work. Thank you for your time.

Rob walks off while workers turn to their PCs and start reading their emails

BRIAN

Good grief, another restructure. I assume the company does save money going through these exercises or they wouldn't keep doing them...

JOHN

Bollocks...

BRIAN

Your joking....

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

What?

BRIAN

That's it then - 40 years loyalty counts for nothing...

YOUNGER SCIENTIST

Eh?

JOHN

What am I going to do now at my age? It says here, I can't draw my pension for another 10 years yet... I still have a mortgage to pay ...

Fade to black. Montage scene of Brian and John packing their stuff from their desks into boxes and carrying them off towards camera fading to black. Fade up to a dimly light kitchen. We see Brian wearing a dark wooly hat and coat. He talks to himself quietly

INT. BRIAN'S KITCHEN

BRIAN

I will show that upstart. My pass still works, so I can get in, work on that code, take a copy and enter that bloody competition... anyone will give me a job then. Yep.

Walks out of scene fading to black.

INT. COMPUTER LAB

We see a dark lab with just one light on and see it is Brian tapping away at a computer terminal. He is muttering to himself...

BRIAN

I told them this code was old hat

He taps some more on his keyboard.

INT. ROB'S BEDROOM

We see a close up of Rob being awakened by his phone next to his bed. He answers

ROB

What is it? Really. Right, let him finish and I will be right there.

INT. COMPUTER LAB

BRIAN

This should sort that out. Now how to resolve.... I know...

Just then alarm bells ring, the lights come on and guards come in and arrest him. Rob appears

ROB

What the hell do you think you are doing? Did you really think you would get away with coming in here?

Rob turns to the computer screen and sees what Brian has been entering

ROB

I see. Thought you could do better eh.

Rob stutters slightly as he sees Brian's code and realises that he probably has sorted out their AI program.

ROB

Can't have you stealing our intellectual property now can we. Take him away. Brian you are going to feel the full force of our legal

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ROB (CONT'D)

team - pressing charges will be the  
least of your worries

We see Brian being man handled out of the lab and see Rob  
take out his mobile while viewing what is on Brian's  
computer screen

ROB

Sorry to trouble you at this godly  
hour but I believe I have had a  
eureka moment and solved the AI  
program. Yes. Just came to me. Will  
start testing tomorrow, ready for  
this years entry. Thank you. Good  
night.

INT. PRESS OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM

Rob is sitting in front of an advertising board showing the  
Loebner Cometition details, microphones in front of him  
with the sound of pictures being taken. We hear a question  
from the 'floor'

PRESS OFFICER

Why is its Syntells year then?

ROB

Well it's been a struggle but my  
young team have been working hard  
and we came up with what we thought  
was a winning program last year,  
but it was lacking a certain  
something which I worked out just  
recently and now I am confident  
that after 20 years of this fine  
competition, I will show that  
Syntell have AI all wrapped up and  
ready to show the world...

Lots of camera clicks and flashes then the last flash is a  
slow motion sounding one and the flash reveals Rob head in  
hands in his office

INT. BOSS OFFICE

Rob's phone rings. He picks up

ROB

Sir. Yes I know but ... Its not my  
fault ... Please .. Let me ... yes  
I have ... but ... good bye..

Rob puts the phone down slowly and picks up the newspaper next to him with a headline that reads "Syntell fails again to win the Imitation Game - share price falls. We close in on the picture of Rob underneath the headline who has his hand up trying to hide his face. We pull back from the picture revealing Brian in his prison cell. He has a very old PC on his desk. He talks to himself

INT. PRISON CELL

BRIAN

Bully's all get their just deserts  
in the end. Couldn't have happened  
to a nicer guy.

He puts down the newspaper and turns to the PC

BRIAN

I know they said you can only do  
Word - but you've got more to offer  
than they know old girl

He taps the base unit with a loving touch.

Montage (A-Team feel to it) as Brian cautiously opens the back of the PC fiddling with a few wires, puts it back together and switches on and starts keying in code

BRIAN

There's life in the old girl yet.  
Now to finish what I started and  
unleash it on the world

We see another montage of Brian keying in code; various shots of hands typing, close ups of Brian thinking, eyes opening wider, the screen etc. Last shot is of Brian's finger hitting the Enter key.

We then see the monitor screen with the words 'Connecting' and a curser flashing. That clears and the word 'Connected' appears to dramatic music.

We pull back from the screen to reveal a man/woman looking at his/her screen

INT. INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUNDS OFFICE

IMF WORKER

Err Boss, something odd is going on...

Other workers crowd round screen

IMF WORKER

I'm not doing anything ... it's doing it itself ...

Other workers show disbelief, tap on keyboard as we pull back to reveal the IMF logo on the wall. A camera flash is heard and we cut to a picture of the IMF logo in a newspaper with the heading "Worlds wealth redistributed by IMF; No more poverty"

We pull back again to reveal a man reading the paper in another office.

INT. INTERNATIONAL FOOD AGENCY OFFICE

Another man pops his head around the door

IFA WORKER

Boss, it's happening to us. The ships are being redirected automatically. Food is being re-distributed around the world

The two go out the door which shuts to reveal the International Food Agency's logo on the door. Again we hear a camera flash and it turns into a picture in a newspaper. We pull back again to see the heading 'IFA Feeds the World'

We pull back to see another man reading the paper. His phone rings

INT. MI6 HEAD QUARTERS

MI6 AGENT

I've seen the headlines Secretary of State. It's down to AI. Yes

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MI6 agent (CONT'D)

Artificial Intelligence. A program has been released that is sorting out the world issues as we know them. Quite remarkable really. Last we heard all the major corrupt Governments have been exposed and are falling. Be careful sir...

He puts down the phone and we see a folder next to the phone with the MI6 logo on it. It has top secret written across it in red. He opens the file and starts reading a piece of paper inside. We see a close up of what is written

"the AI has cancelled all funding into cancer, HIV and all other life threatening diseases. Charities have folded. The average life expectancy of the whole population has been reduced to 40. The AI is putting back the balance of nature....