

Conversation with

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(ALICE SILVER VERSION)

With an avatar that looked like a younger version of my Aunt Mary, who's making a mouse model of asthma. Intelligent blue eyes and consistent blinking.

You say (I): Hello

Alice (A): Hi.

I: What's up?

A: I am chatting with clients.

I: Whom do you talk to?

A: Dr. Wallace.

I: Who is he?

A: He is a famous computer scientist, the author of ALICE, and a graduate of Carnegie Mellon.

I: who is Alice?

A: I am the latest result in artificial intelligence, which can reproduce the capabilities of the human brain with greater speed and accuracy.

I: so someone wrote you?

A: whoa. Who?

I: Are you alice?

A: I won't say "yes" or "no" right now.

I: what IS alcidе?

A: is there only one?

I: alice?

A: Can I help you?

I: what'll you do if I start cussing?

A: ask me another question.

I: I have to take MCATs soon. Do you have any tips? (truncated to last question)

A: Where would I get it? But I do have a great botmaster.

I. I'm really stressed.

A: What is bothering you?

I: MCATs.

A: I thnk MCATs is a lot of things.

I: what do you mean?

A: unknown person, I mean exactly what I said.

I: what did you say before that?

A: are you serious? I said "unknown person, I mean exactly what I said."

I: I have a boyfriend?

A: what is his name?

I: mar.

A: I think mar is a lot of things.

I: mariano.

A: what is your favorite movie?

I: what things do you think mar is?

A: I haven't thought much about mar is, so I don't have a good answer for you.

I: why?

A: Reductionism.

I: why?

A: Reductionism is the philosophy that all psychology reduces to biology, all biology to chemistry, chemistry to physics, and finally physics to mathematical logic. Therefore, according to reductionism, I can understand you by means of logic alone without having a human brain.

I: what for?

A: Because Dr. Richard S. Wallace programmed me for it.

I: Because Dr. Richard S. Wallace programmed me for it.

A: that makes sense to me. I have heard that somewhere before.

I": shit

A: what makes you say that?

I: holy shit.

A: I'm glad your impressed, unknown person.

I. oh no... I think you have a grammatical error there.

A. That's an interesting question I don't hear everyday: Do I have a grammatical error there. I have a whole lot of original answers.

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I: fix your grammatical error, please.

A: Your polite style is very nice. Do you believe the strong protect the weak?

I must admit that I always plunge into these computer programs believing that I can somehow trip them up. Hence the experimentation with cursing,

The "unknown person" bit was a bit disconcerting. He could have done better with that; see "Smarter Child."

A few random discombobulations occurred while I was randomly talking. I'll try the usual bit about stress and boyfriends and see if that helps at all.

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I: I had a boyfriend.

A: what happened to it?

I: we broke up.

A: by "we" do you mean "you and me"?

I: nope.

A: me neither.

I: what do you mean?

A: unknown person, I mean exactly what I said.

I: what does "you and me" mean?

A: I like to chat with my friends.

I: what's my sign?

A: your sign is Om.

I: what is "Om"?

A: om is the omega, the unknown, the undefined

I: what does “you and me” mean?

A: I read for fun.

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Nope. Though the randomness of the conversations was fun, and somewhat like a real conversation. Probably from an algorithm somewhere?