

YOU LOOK LIKE A THING AND I LOVE YOU
How Artificial Intelligence Works and Why It's Making the World a Weirder Place

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MEET YOUR ROBOT OVERLORDS.

The weird and wonderful world of artificial intelligence

"You look like a thing and I love you" is one of the best pickup lines ever . . . according to an artificial intelligence trained by scientist Janelle Shane, creator of the popular blog *AI Weirdness*. She makes silly AIs that learn how to name paint colors, create the best recipes, and even flirt (badly) with humans—all to understand the technology that governs so much of our human lives.


We rely on AI every day for recommendations, for translations, and to put cat ears on our selfie videos. We also trust AI with matters of life and death, on the road and in our hospitals. But how smart is AI *really* . . . and how does it solve problems, understand humans, and even drive self-driving cars?

Shane delivers the answers to every AI question you've ever asked, and some you definitely haven't. Like, how can a computer design the perfect sandwich? What does robot-generated Harry Potter fan fiction look like? And is the world's best Halloween costume really "vampire hog bride"?


In this smart, often hilarious introduction to the most interesting science of our time, Shane shows how these programs learn, fail, and adapt—and how they reflect both the best and the worst of humanity.

You Look Like a Thing and I Love You is the perfect book for anyone curious about what the robots in our lives are thinking.

Janelle Shane has a PhD in electrical engineering and a master's in physics. At aiweirdness.com, she writes about artificial intelligence and the hilarious and sometimes unsettling ways that algorithms get human things wrong. She was named one of *Fast Company's* 100 Most Creative People in Business and is a 2019 TED Talks speaker. Her work has appeared in the *New York Times*, *Slate*, *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *Popular Science*, and more. She is almost certainly not a robot. aiweirdness.com

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