Intro to Comm Competencies

SWS105

Lightning Talk:
Black Mirror Synopsis and Plot

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Before Facebook, the military tried to make an all knowing 'cyberdiary' called LifeLog.

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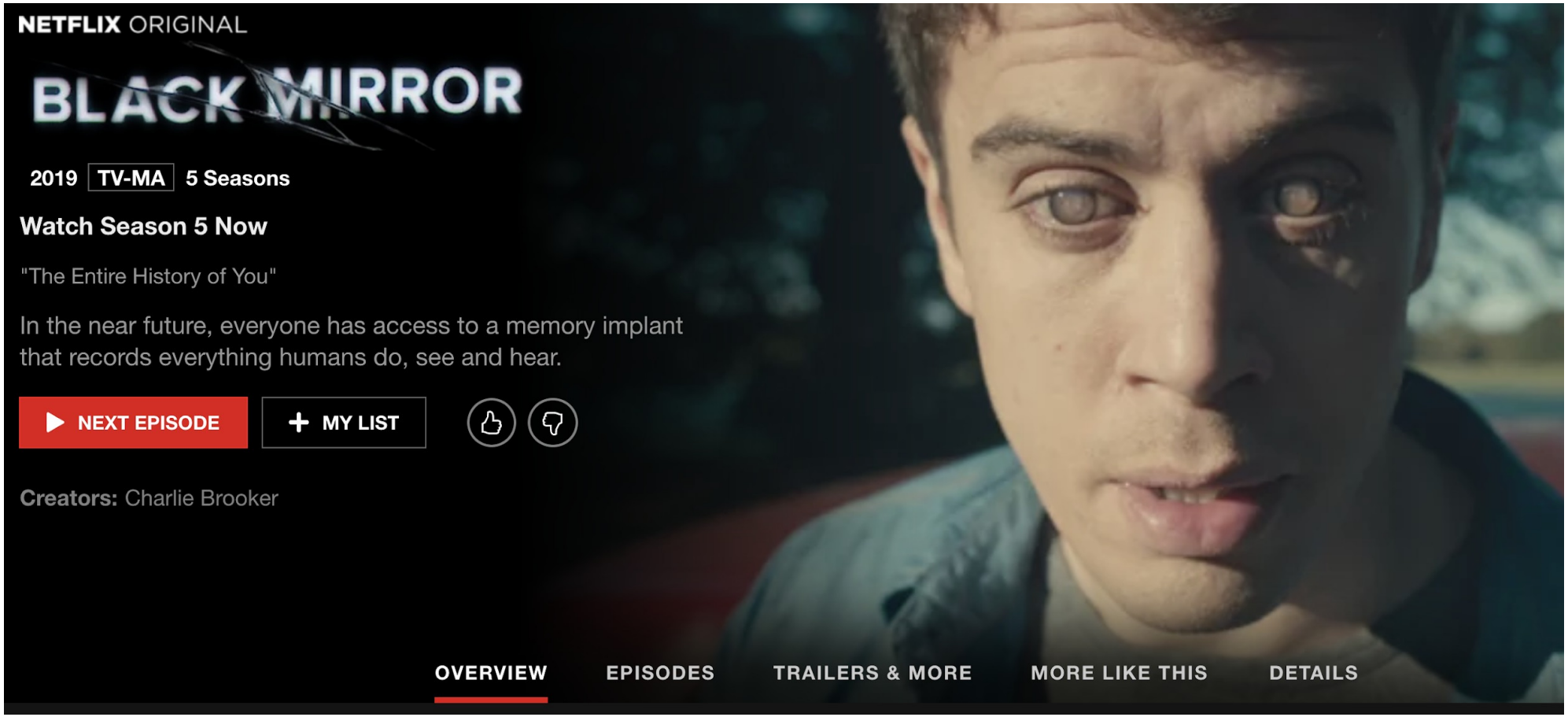

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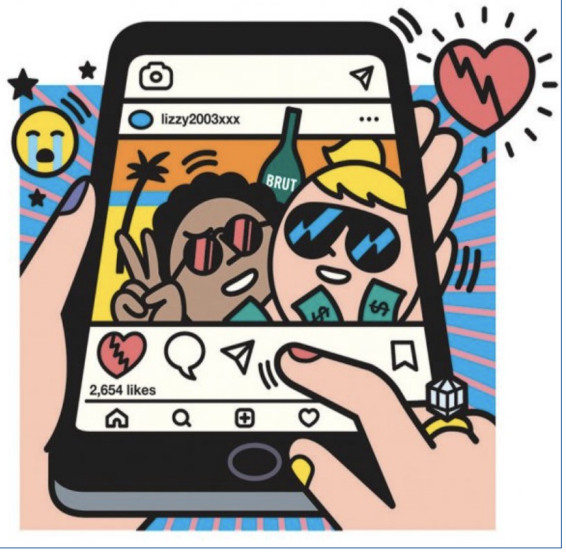

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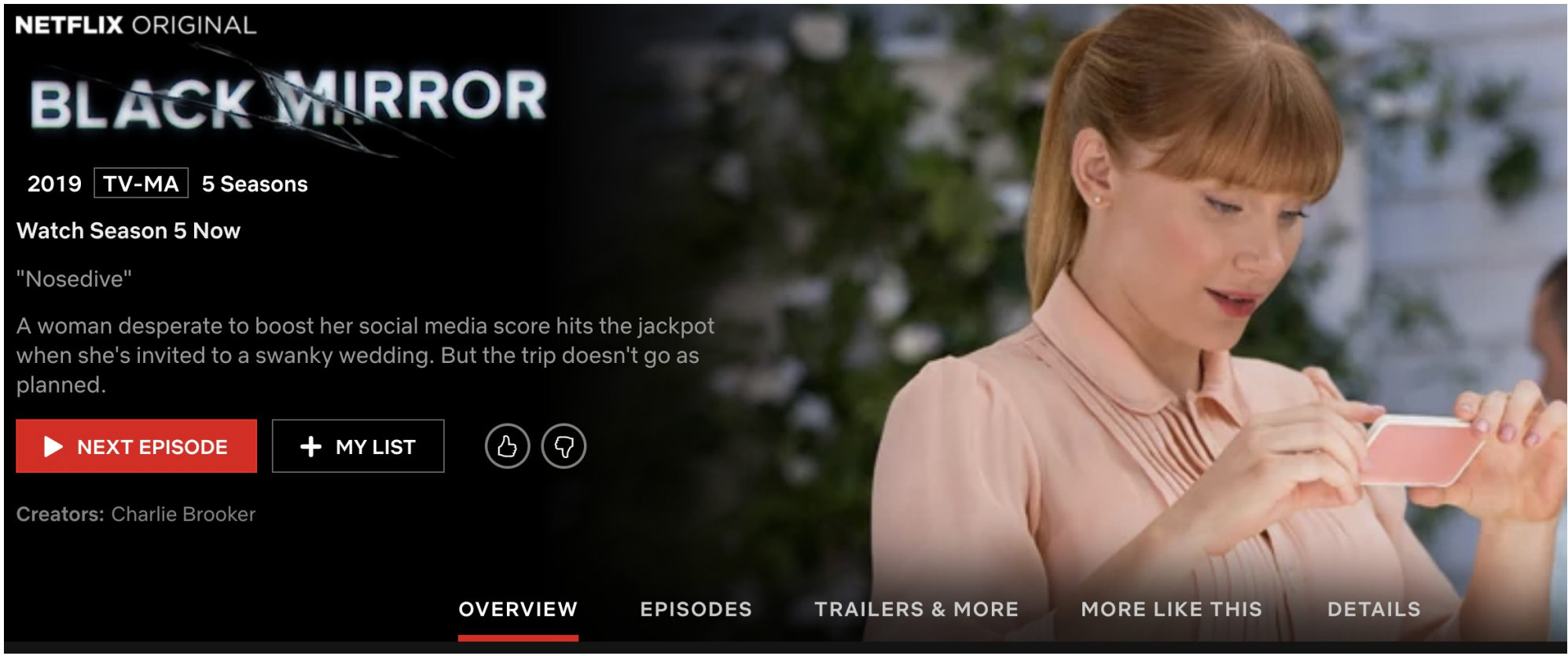

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More parents using GPS to track children but experts warn there could be consequences

By Melanie Vujkovic

Posted 3 Apr 2019, updated 3 Apr 2019

The New York Times

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Privacy Experts Say The Trade-Offs Of Tech To Track Kids In School Aren't Worth It

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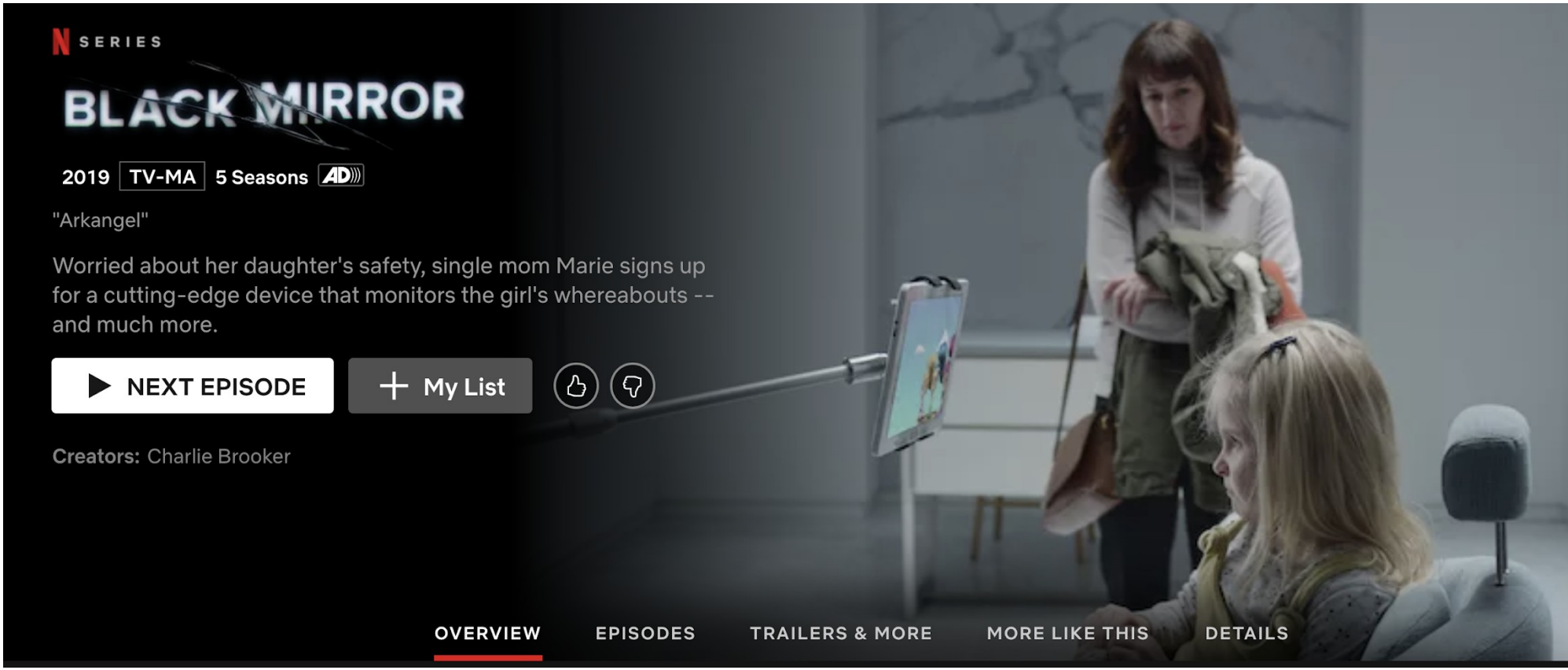

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MIT Technology Review

Humans and Technology / Quantified Self

Digital immortality: How your life's data means a version of you could live forever

'When your heart stops beating, you'll keep tweeting': Controversial app that updates your Twitter feed from beyond the grave

- **LivesOn analyses users' Twitter feeds to continue posting in the same style after they are dead**
- **Being developed by a London-based ad agency, who say 'it'll work better than a frozen head'**
- **It joins DeadSocial and If I Die in the market for apps offering social media services which continue after death**

By DAMIEN GAYLE
PUBLISHED: 06:30 EDT, 20 February 2013 | **UPDATED:** 06:45 EDT, 20 February 2013

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Artificial Intelligence Can Now Help You Speak To Deceased Family And Friends; Here's How

Marking another scientific marvel, researchers have developed an artificial intelligence technology that could allow people to communicate with their loved ones

Written By Riya Baibhawi

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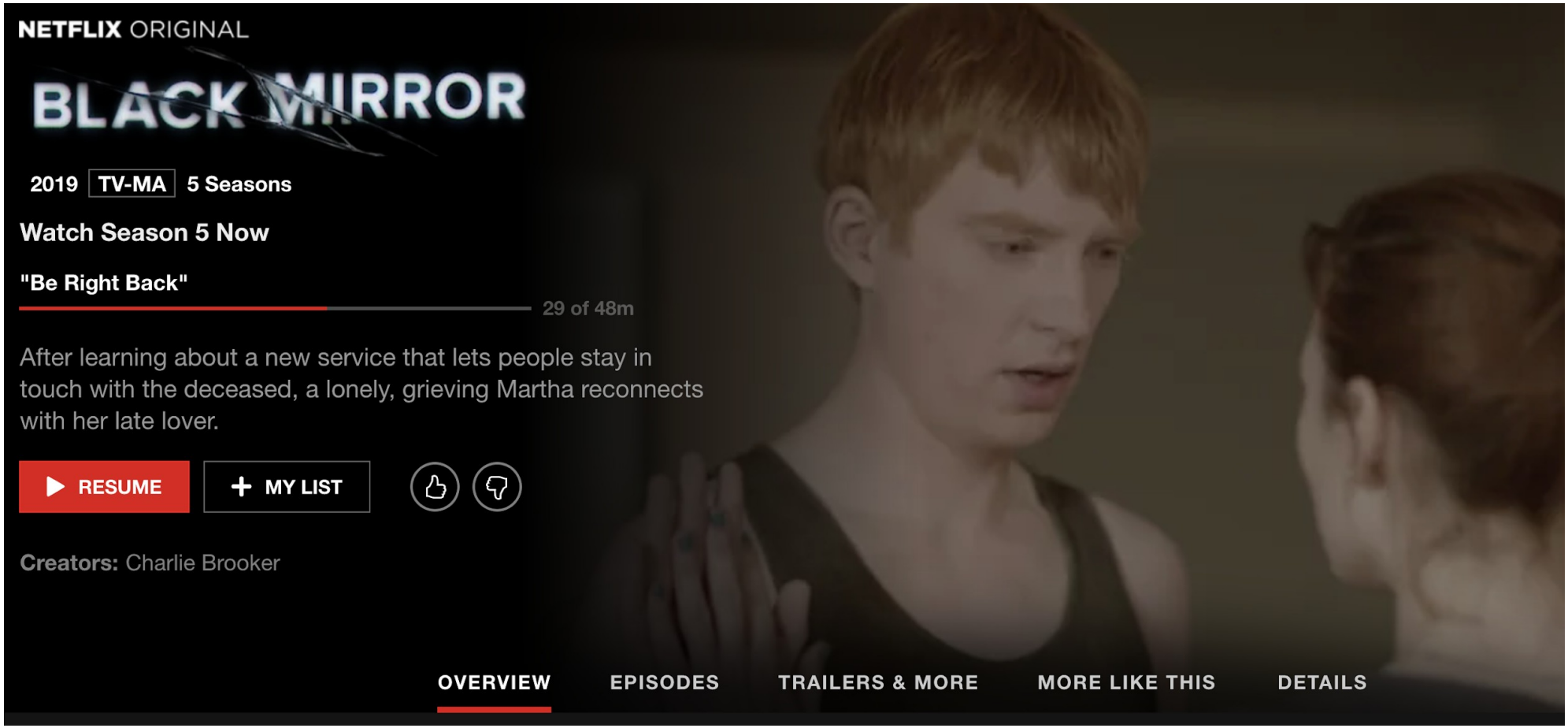


Lightning Talk 5: Overview

- You and your group member will be preparing a general plot for your own Black Mirror episode
- Your group will also create a poster for your episode to;
  - Display the title and graphics and provide an exciting motivation to see the episode.
- Come prepared to present lightning talk in next class

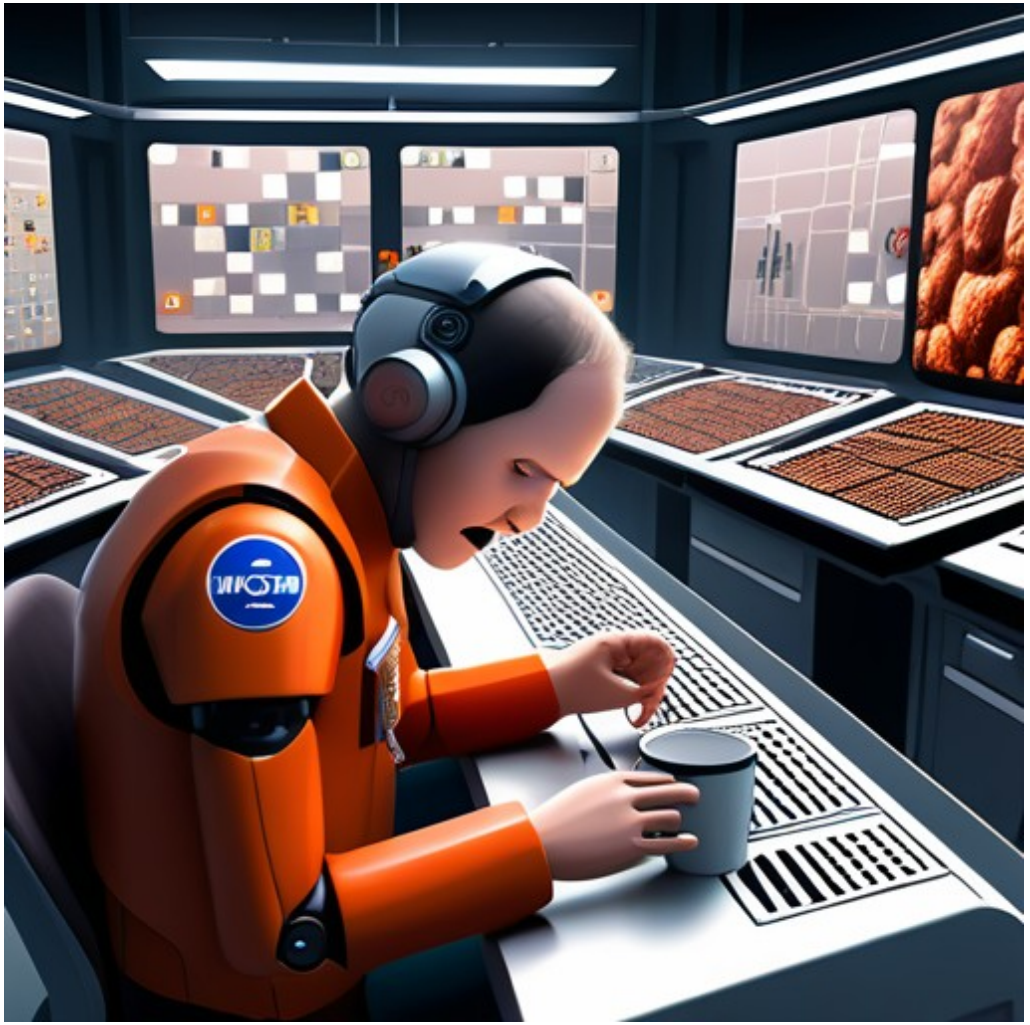
Lightning Talk 5: Details

- Your deliverable: the Google Slides to edit with synopsis and plot details
- To create your slides, follow the general format that has already been established in the slides. Then, add your own Title, Text, graphics and materials to complete your work.
- Make sure that your slides are grouped together.
- Present your synopsis and plot during the lightning talk for the following class on **Monday 25th November 2024**.
- Each person is to speak.
- 100 points for Lightning Talk

Click: URL for slides to edit

Step 1: Individual Brainstorming

- Individually, think of and write down ideas related to the topic of Generative AI, especially:
  - (1) current events and news items that seem relevant (can provide links!);
  - (2) things that currently worry you; and (3) where you think this issue might be headed in the future.



Step 2: Group Discussion

- Groups are made up of two people.
- Discuss the individual ideas that each of you had.
- Settle on an overarching topic/idea for inspiration for a cautionary tale.
- If you have not already, do a quick news search to find some relevant headlines (or whatever you like!) to include on the inspiration slide.
- Alternately you can just put text on the slide about the kinds of things that are inspiring you.

Step 3:
Come up with a Story

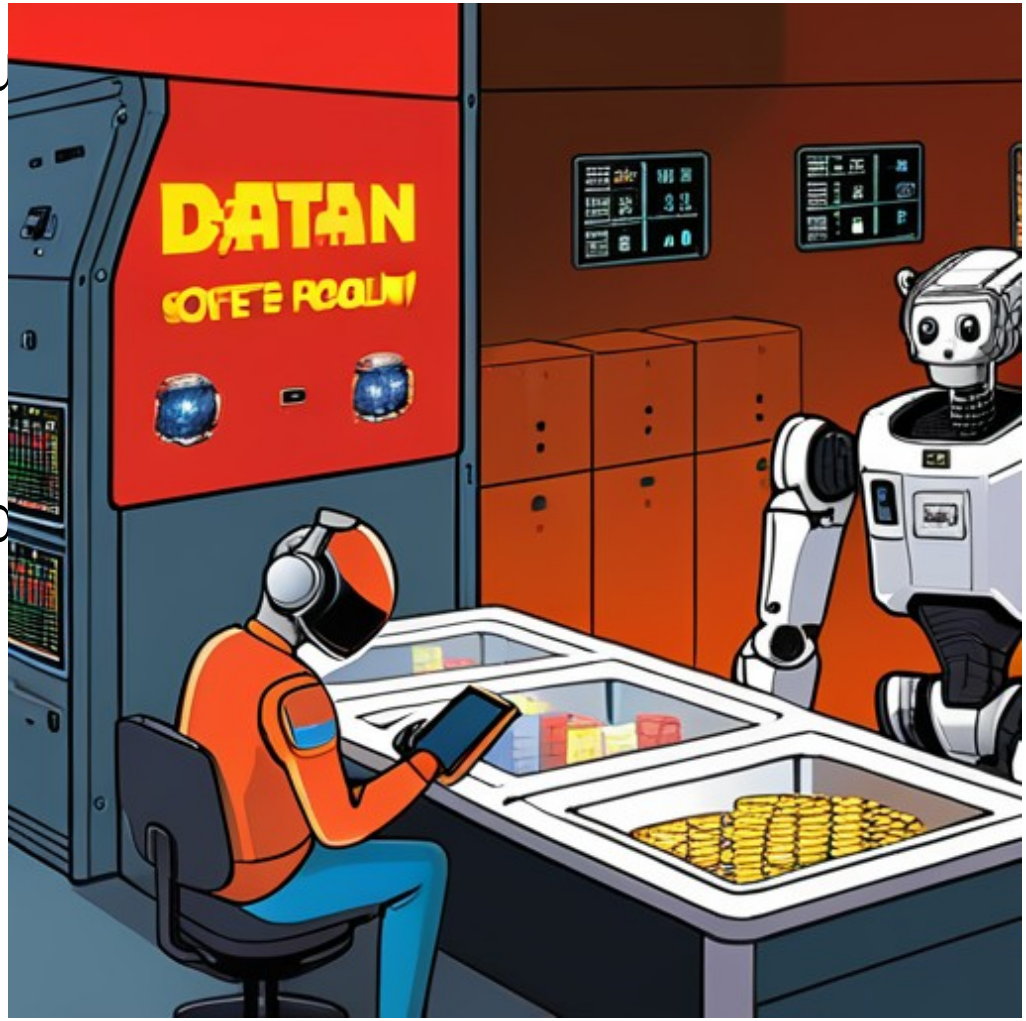
- Think about the thing you want to create a cautionary tale about.
- What fictional person in the future could help illustrate this caution?
  - What is their story?
  - Can you think of anything extra to describe their lives?

Step 4:
Create Your Episode Pitch

- Create your episode pitch.
- Come up with a **title**, and condense your **story** into 50-100 word blurb, similar to the examples given above.
- It is fine to give away the ending!
- Also find an image that illustrates it. Make a slide!

Step 5: Light Mirror

- Consider how plausible you think these futures are.
- What are the immediate harms related to this concept?
- What do you think we could do to avoid negative outcomes in the near term, and in the long term?
- Are there any ethical considerations involved?



Step 6: Report Back!

- All members are to speak for the presentation.
- Share your pitch with the rest of the class.
- Show your poster.

Data Muhing?!
A title?

Format Your Poster like...

Add Title of Episode

Add your team's synopsis of your episode.

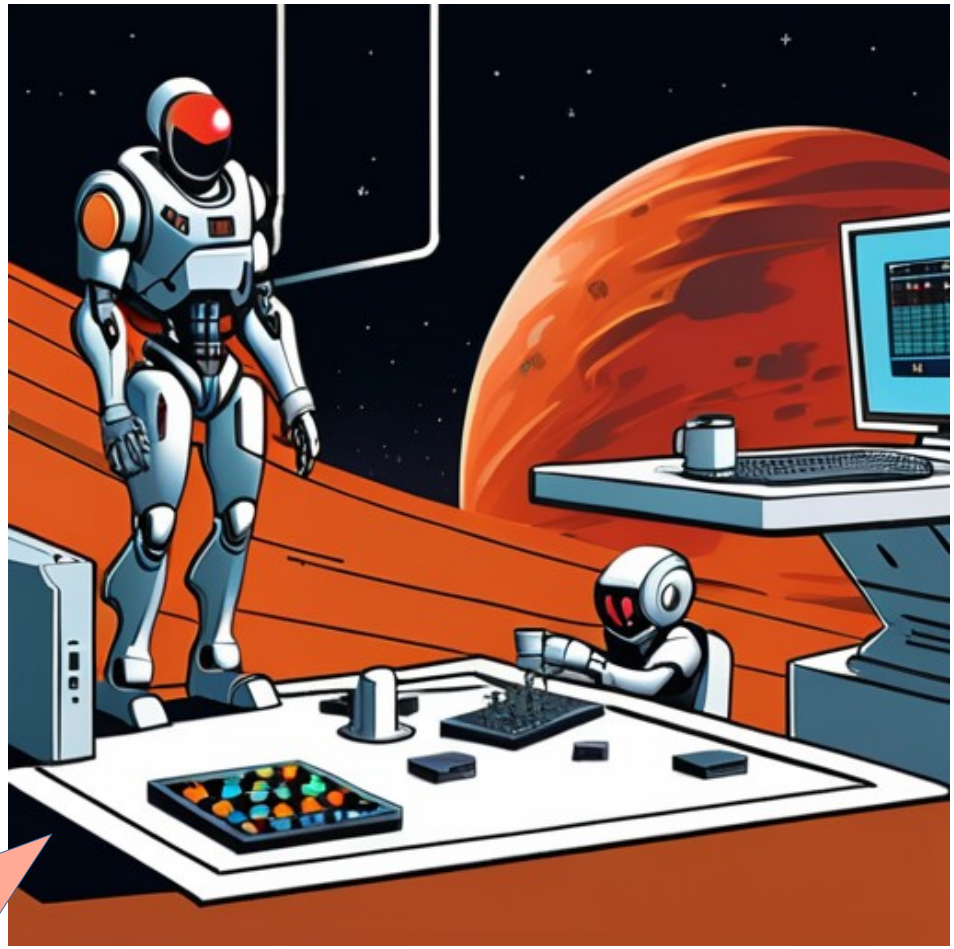
Choose a graphic for your work!

Example Topics 1

- Algorithmic Bias
- Recommender Systems
- Self-Driving Cars
- Government surveillance
- Censorship
- Free speech
- Internet of things
- Predictive policing
- Facial recognition/analysis

Example Topics 2

- Social media privacy
- Data privacy
- Online dating
- Robots/AI
- Intellectual property
- Online harassment
- Fake news/misinformation
- Job loss due to automation
- The digital divide



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