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Firstly, Welcome to Gattaca is a movie which takes place in a future where science, medical technologies are very advanced. For example, they can cure diseases that are uncurable at the moment like cancers and a lot more. They can see, modify, thus control life of a child before his birth while he is still in his mother’s wombs. Child’s parents only need to pay 5000$ for each request on their child’s life, scientists can for example give to him a gift for mathematics or music, remove each aspect, disease, future issues that their child can encounter like obesity, myopia, alcoholism and more.

These technologies caused eugenics and are responsible for discrimination between “perfect” or “valid” ones and “disabled” or “in-valid” ones. Not being modify means you have a handicap.

This eugenic creates discrimination, racism. On that fact, being an “in-valid” do not allow you to do same things as being a “valid”. When you are “disabled”, you cannot access to a proper education (schools do not accept you), same places, same job’s positions as “valid” ones. At least, you can become a cleaner in the company where you want to work while having a great job in.

To put it in a nutshell, your brilliant or not brilliant future is based on your family’s money which creates a social hierarchical classification.

In the movie, we meet Vincent, an “in-valid” who works in a space company like a cleaner. Although he dreams to become an astronaut and trip to the sky, he cannot become one because he is an “in-valid” and only “valid” ones can have such a great work. Vincent is then forced to find a way to become one. He found a “genetic hacker” who helped him to become like a “valid” thanks to Jérôme Eugène Morrow, an old “valid” gymnast who failed to commit a suicide and lost control over his legs because he never became first in what he wanted. Vincent stole Jérôme’s identity in exchange of a part of his salary to have everything he needed to keep his fake identity and make his dream come true.

I think this future is not as good as we think because about children life control, we should always leave it to Mother Nature, and we shouldn’t change the life cycle. We live, we die, it’s life and life is life. Whereas on other aspects, it’s quite good, for example there are numerous advancements on the environment like reducing or removing global warming or in space science with new ways to go further, faster and extend our knowledges.

To put it in a nutshell for this movie, our fate or life are not written at our day of birth, we can always enhance our life with great effort and desire like our main character Vincent showed us while realizing his dream.