

# Purpose in the Age of AI

Day 1



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Life on a Star 2025

# House Rules:

- Interrupt me
- Ask questions
- Play, explore



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Key Theme(s)?

Any Contrasts?



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**Teaching**

**Traveling**

**Gaming**

**Cooking**

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**Practice and Craft**

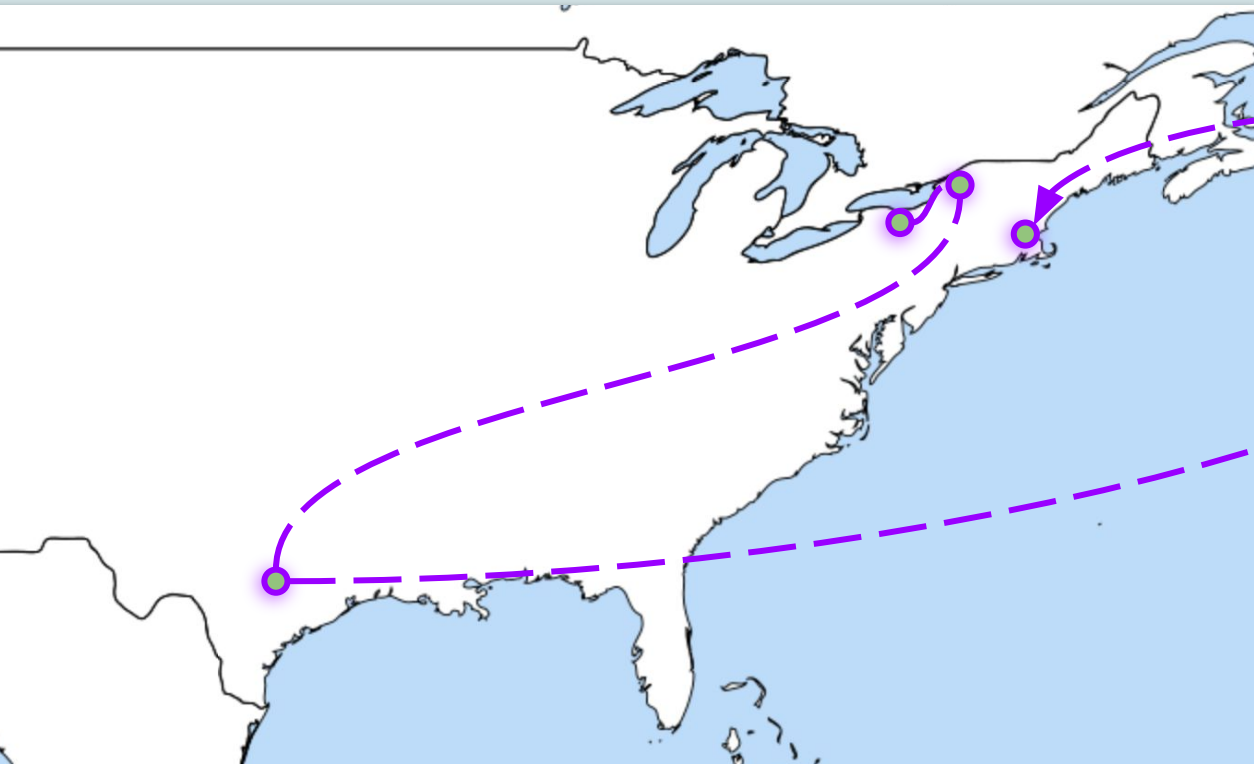
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It **matters** to understand AI.

For now, many of us still approach A.I. as outsiders — **nonnative users**, shaped by analog habits, capable of seeing the difference between now and then.

But the generation growing up with A.I. will **learn to think and write in its shadow.**

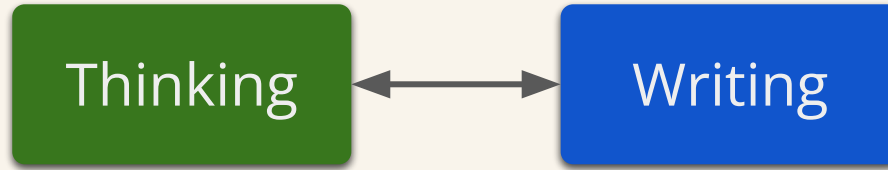


Meghan O'Rourke

Source: [I Teach Creative Writing. This Is What A.I. Is Doing to Students.](#)

Thinking



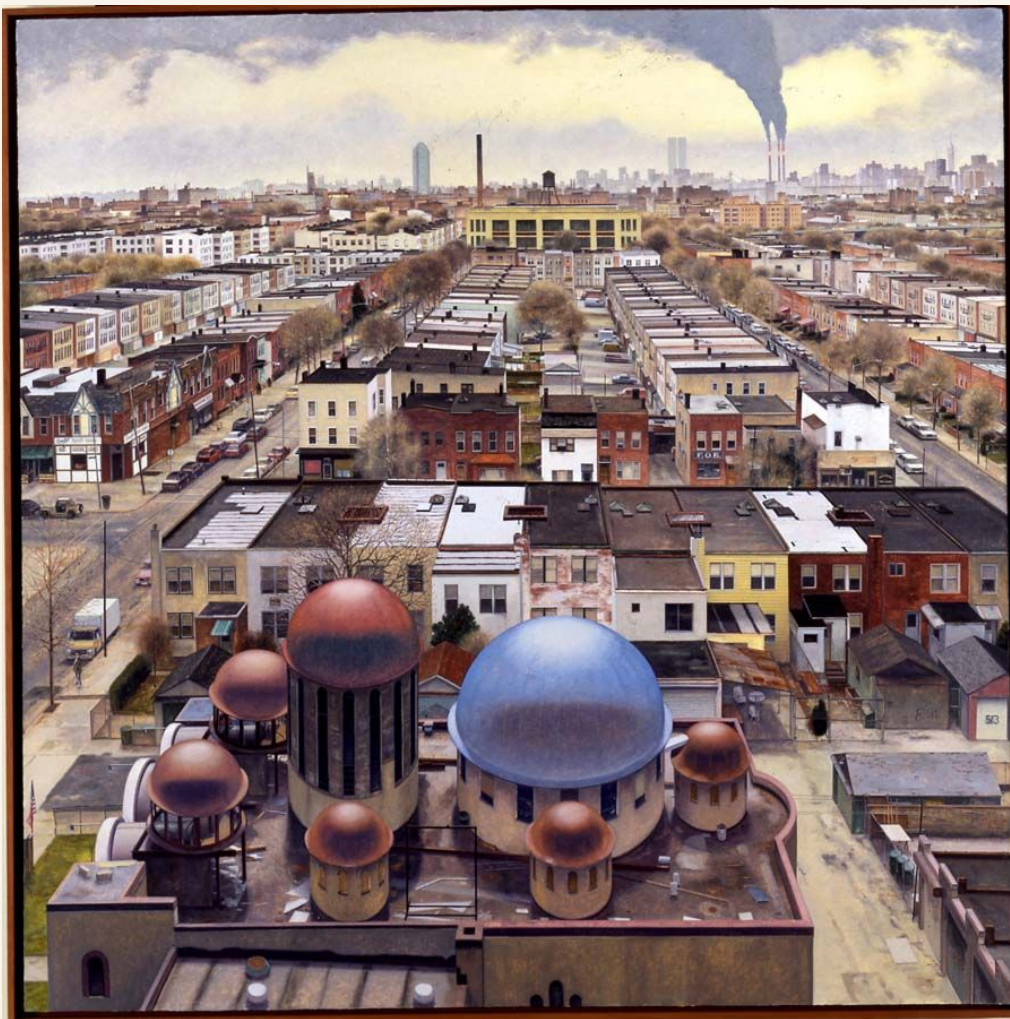


## The Psychology of Life Stories

Dan P. McAdams  
Northwestern University

Recent years have witnessed an upsurge of interest among theorists and researchers in autobiographical recollections, life stories, and narrative approaches to understanding human behavior and experience. An important development in this context is D. P. McAdams's life story model of identity (1985, 1993, 1996), which asserts that people living in modern societies provide their lives with unity and purpose by constructing





Dutch Pink and Italian Blue  
John Moore



## Car Insurance

Create some Python code that effectively determines what someone's **car insurance premium** should be based on some data that it collects from the user (via `input`). The number should be realistic and the reasons behind the decisions (made using `if` statements) should be ethically sound.

You should add comments to each of your decision points describing why you think that the points are ethically sound.

Use a `while` loop to check for valid inputs.