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Bill Gates: Within 10 years, AI will replace many doctors and teachers—humans won't be needed 'for most things'

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Over the next decade, advances in artificial intelligence will mean that humans will no longer be needed “for most things” in the world, says [Bill Gates](#).

That’s what the Microsoft co-founder and billionaire philanthropist told comedian Jimmy Fallon during an interview on NBC’s [“The Tonight Show” in February](#). At the moment, expertise remains “rare,” Gates explained, pointing to human specialists we still rely on in many fields, including “a great doctor” or “a great teacher.”

But “with AI, over the next decade, that will become free, commonplace — great medical advice, great tutoring,” Gates said.

In other words, the world is entering a new era of what Gates called “free intelligence” in an [interview last month](#) with Harvard University professor and happiness expert Arthur Brooks. The result will be rapid advances in AI-powered technologies that are accessible and

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