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A Plan in Case Robots Take the Jobs: Give Everyone a Paycheck

NYTimes article

Do you agree? Disagree? Why?

Their plan is known as “universal basic income,” or U.B.I., and it goes like this: As the jobs dry up because of the spread of artificial intelligence, why not just give everyone a paycheck?

As computers perform more of our work, we’d all be free to become artists, scholars, entrepreneurs or otherwise engage our passions in a society no longer centered on the drudgery of daily labor.

“I think it’s a bad use of a human to spend 20 years of their life driving a truck back and forth across the United States,” Mr. Wenger said. “That’s not what we aspire to do as humans — it’s a bad use of a human brain — and automation and basic income is a development that will free us to do lots of incredible things that are more aligned with what it means to be human.”

Do you think we have a responsibility as creators of technology for the jobs that will be lost due to robotic/software and other automation?

What if you worked on the software for the Amazon Go Store?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NrmMk1Myrxc>

Would you or our fellow humans miss the human contact that we find at a grocery store?