

ARE THESE THE HEADLINES WE WANNA SEE?

A vision of some possible futures



Human population exceeds 10 billion.

Blue whales declared extinct.

Half of the world lives in poverty.

Billionaire numbers at an all-time high.

Last sea turtle dies in captivity.

Data chip tagging law enforced to reduce crime.

Coral reefs vanish.

Super-typhoons widespread.

Drug abuse rising.

Armed conflicts flare up;
unreported millions dead.

Military spending reaches new peaks.

Education funding slashed dramatically.

As AI system processes this information,
it decides humans need genetic reengineering.

Elizsha: Isn't it wiser to focus on outcomes we hope to see rather than lamenting what we should avoid?

Soo: Both perspectives have value. At times it's useful to focus on positives; other times we should recognize potential pitfalls. Life does not fit into a simple formula.

Philgra: Some people focus solely on positives, discretely ignoring unpleasantness . . .

Julzs: (parodying Soo) . . . n' adderz rhash past trauma kun-stant-rz.

Elizsha: (parodying Julzs) Perhaps balance kumz only by transcending both notions, yez?

Elijah: Perhaps. Without radical social engineering I fear humans themselves will be outdated.

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