

# Alexa in the Garden of Epicurus

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Respectfully I don't think I would reach that same conclusion myself.

Respectfully ... we disagree. 😊

Since we're into hypotheticals: imagine watching the most exciting baseball game you've ever seen - and discovering that it was all CGI, done so well that you thought you were seeing actual human players at the top of their game. I would feel cheated.

Or imagine that you've just listened (in the auditorium) to a brilliant, moving "performance" of your favorite symphony (say, Beethoven's Ninth) -- only to discover that the actual orchestra players were just going through the motions (including the conductor), while the actual music was an AI-generated recording. I would feel cheated.

Or imagine the "discovery" of a heretofore unknown symphony by Beethoven -- that turns out to be an AI generated fake. No matter how "good" it seems, I would rather listen to an imperfect rendition of Beethoven's Ninth.

[After all, imperfection is part of the human aesthetic -- part of the beauty of it -- as Japanese culture has deeply understood.]

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BTW, thanks for the challenging discussion! You're not an AI bot are you? 😊