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Hollywood actor says OpenAI Sora could cause job losses

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Hollywood producer and actor Tyler Perry is worried that AI will cause job losses in the movie industry. He gave a personal example of how this is happening now. He said he had plans for an \$800 million studio expansion. He has delayed going ahead with this

project. Instead, he is waiting to see what happens with AI. He thinks AI will have a big impact on jobs. He told "The Hollywood Reporter" website about his worries. He said: "There's got to be some sort of regulations in order to protect us [from AI]. If not, I just don't see how we survive." He said OpenAI's new text-to-video tool, Sora, made him delay his work on his studio. He said his project is, "on hold because of Sora and what I'm seeing."

Sora is a new tool that can generate videos up to a minute long. All the user has to do is type a prompt, and the software will create a video. It can also create a video from a photo. Sora has been named after the Japanese word for sky. The New York Times said this was to show the tool's "limitless creative potential". Tyler Perry said he understood how useful AI will be in film-making. However, he worries about job losses. He said: "It makes me worry so much about all of the people in the business. I immediately started thinking of everyone in the industry who would be affected by this, including actors...and editors." He added: "I'm thinking this will touch every corner of our industry."

Sources: hollywoodreporter.com / openai.com / Wikipedia.org

Writing

AI is too dangerous for humans. Discuss.

Chat

Talk about these words from the article.

producer / actor / job losses / studio / Hollywood / regulations / survive / text / video prompt / software / sky / creative / potential / business / industry / editors / corner

True / False

- Tyler Perry has delayed plans to make a movie studio bigger. T / F
- 2) Tyler Perry thinks AI will not have such a big impact on jobs. T / F
- Tyler Perry wants to work as a Hollywood reporter. T / F
- 4) Tyler Perry wants more rules to protect workers. T / F
- 5) Sora can create videos that are up to 30 minutes long. T / F
- 6) The name Sora comes from the Japanese word for tiger. T / F
- 7) Tyler Perry said AI would be very useful for movie makers. T / F
- 8) Tyler Perry wants to touch every corner of the movie industry. T / F

Synonym Match

(The words in **bold** are from the news article.)

1.	worried	a.	effect
2.	cause	b.	rules
3.	delayed	c.	possibilities
4.	impact	d.	result in

5.	regulations	e.	reach
6.	limitless	f.	instantly
7	notential	а	concerne

/.	potentiai	g.	concerned
8.	immediately	h.	business

9.	industry	i.	infinite
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10. touch j. put off

Discussion - Student A

- a) What do you think of Hollywood?
- b) How might AI affect Hollywood?
- c) What do you think of AI?
- d) Do you think AI will change your life for the better?
- e) What kinds of jobs are at risk because of AI?
- f) Should governments regulate AI tools?
- g) How has AI changed your life so far?
- h) Do you think Tyler Perry should go ahead with his project?

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Phrase Match

- 1. worried that AI will cause job losses
- 2. he had plans for an \$800 million
- 3. He thinks AI will have a big
- 4. some sort of regulations in order
- 5. He said his project is hold
- 6. a new tool that can generate
- 7. show the tool's limitless creative
- 8. It makes me worry
- 9. I immediately started thinking
- 10. this will touch every

Discussion - Student B

- a) What do you think about what you read?
- b) What do you think of OpenAI's new tool Sora?
- c) What would you like to use Sora for?
- d) What can actors and movie makers do about AI?
- e) How happy are you that AI is here?
- f) Could AI take your job?
- g) What three adjectives best describe this story?
- h) What questions would you like to ask an AI developer?

Spelling

- 1. in the movie uydistnr
- 2. He gave a personal paxeelm
- 3. an \$800 million studio aonxenspi
- 4. He has eydelad going ahead
- 5. have a big <u>acmitp</u> on jobs
- 6. I just don't see how we <u>ruvvise</u>
- 7. a new tool that can <u>teenaegr</u> videos
- 8. type a rotppm
- 9. limitless creative antletopi
- 10. I memieldaiyt started thinking
- 11. who would be feefctad by this
- 12. including actors and tsieord

Answers - Synonym Match

1. g	2. d	3. j	4. a	5. b
6. i	7. c	8. f	9. h	10. e

- a. videos up to a minute long
- b. to protect us
- c. so much
- d. studio expansion
- e. corner of our industry
- f. on
- g. in the movie industry
- h. of everyone
- impact on jobs
- j. potential

Role Play

Role A - Film Makers

You think film makers are the people that AI cannot replace. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why AI could replace their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the easiest of these for AI to replace (and why): teachers, lawyers or taxi drivers.

Role B - Teachers

You think teachers are the people that AI cannot preplace. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why AI could replace their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the easiest of these for AI to replace (and why): film makers, lawyers or taxi drivers.

Role C - Lawyers

You think lawyers are the people that AI cannot replace. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why AI could replace their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the easiest of these for AI to replace (and why): teachers, film makers or taxi drivers.

Role D - Taxi Drivers

You think taxi drivers are the people that AI cannot replace. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them why AI could replace their jobs. Also, tell the others which is the easiest of these for AI to replace (and why): teachers, lawyers or film makers.

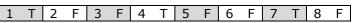
Speaking - A.I. Jobs

Rank these with your partner. Put the jobs AI cannot replace at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- Film makers
- Teachers
- Journalists
- Doctors

- Lawyers
- · Sales assistants
- Taxi drivers
- Police officers

Answers - True False



Answers to Phrase Match and Spelling are in the text.