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Where to find the book's central questions

A THEMATIC READING INDEX

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ORIENTATION The book develops these questions at different scales. Use the chapter numbers and section titles to find each theme when pagination changes. Titles as in the revised English interior (2026).

Adult hope and limits on delegation

Where in the book: *Introduction, ‘The Distance to 2050’; Chapter 16, ‘Before Use: Worksheet and Mandate’; Epilogue, ‘What We Do Not Delegate’.*

Study technology and use it when it improves life. Preserve places where human choices can set limits on its use, including refusal, and correct its effects.

Capability, reliability, and authority

Where in the book: *Introduction, ‘The Distance to 2050’; Interlude I, ‘The Three Answer States’; Chapter 1, ‘How Machines Learn from Examples’; Chapter 4, ‘Where Responsibility Falls’; Chapter 7, ‘What the Twin Cannot Do’, ‘Four Modes of Delegation’; Chapter 8, ‘Caring Without Dehumanizing’, ‘Augmented Diagnosis and the Risk of Mistaking Precision for Truth’; Chapter 12, ‘Rights in the Age of Prediction’; Chapter 16, ‘Before Use: Worksheet and Mandate’; Appendix, Tools for the Reader, ‘Map of the Three Vocabularies’.*

Being able to do something, succeeding under real conditions, and being authorized to act are distinct properties.

The 2050 Test and the three vocabularies

Where in the book: *Interlude I, ‘Seven Questions Before Delegating’, ‘The Three Answer States’; Chapter 7, ‘Four Modes of Delegation’; Interlude II, ‘The Cost of Control’; Chapter 16, ‘Before Use: Worksheet and Mandate’; Appendix, Tools for the Reader, ‘The Seven Questions of the 2050 Test’, ‘When an Answer Is Sufficient, and When It Blocks’, ‘The Decision Rule’, ‘The Minimum Worksheet’.*

The seven questions, the answer status, and the organizational decision remain separate and do not produce a compensatory average.

Identity, proof minimization, and portability

Where in the book: *Chapter 2, ‘Proving Enough, Not Everything’, ‘The Verifiable Credential’, ‘Moving and Recovering Evidence’; Chapter 3, ‘The Day the World Stops Without a Sound’; Chapter 16, ‘Continuity When a System Closes’; Appendix, Tools for the Reader, ‘The Seven Questions of the 2050 Test’.*

Demonstrate only what is needed without handing over the person or transferring all recovery and exit risk to them.

Infrastructure, continuity, and the exit test

Where in the book: *Chapter 3, ‘The Day the World Stops Without a Sound’; Chapter 14, ‘The Infrastructure Behind the Contract’; Chapter 16, ‘Continuity When a System Closes’; Appendix, Tools for the Reader, ‘The Seven Questions of the 2050 Test’.*

Cloud services, networks, APIs, contracts, and residual competence become governable when reduced continuity and replacement are tested.

Work, competence, and training

Where in the book: *Chapter 4, ‘The Great Shift: From Tasks to Responsibilities’; Chapter 6, ‘From Transferring Knowledge to Cultivating Judgment’; Chapter 7, ‘What the Twin Cannot Do’; Chapter 10, ‘A Person Was Here’; Chapter 16, ‘Before Use: Worksheet and Mandate’.*

Automation compresses tasks. Apprenticeship keeps judgment practicable when workers have time to exercise it and authority over the outcome.

Mandate, Redress, and meaningful oversight

Where in the book: Chapter 4, *'Where Responsibility Falls'*; Chapter 5, *'The Mandate of the Public Gaze'*; Chapter 7, *'Where the Mandate Must Stop'*; Chapter 8, *'Augmented Diagnosis and the Risk of Mistaking Precision for Truth'*; Chapter 12, *'Rights in the Age of Prediction'*; Chapter 16, *'When Something Goes Off Course: Incident and Redress'*; Interlude I, *'Seven Questions Before Delegating'*; Interlude II, *'The Cost of Control'*.

A person matters in the process when they possess evidence, time, and power to suspend, correct, and obtain a reasoned outcome.

Care, uncertainty, and dignity

Where in the book: Chapter 8, *'Caring Without Dehumanizing'*, *'Care at the End of Life'*; Chapter 11, *'The Friend Who Never Sleeps'*; Chapter 15, *'The Dead Who Never Leave'*.

Technical error, clinical uncertainty, conflict of values, presence, and farewell require different responses.

Public truth, provenance, and epistemic fatigue

Where in the book: Chapter 9, *'Rebuilding Public Trust'*; Chapter 10, *'Creative Sources and Their Use'*; Appendix, *Tools for the Reader*, *'Essential Glossary'*.

Reconstructing origin and transformations helps verification, but public trust also depends on the human and institutional cost of challenging a claim.

Authorship, signature, and the new scarcity

Where in the book: Chapter 10, *'From Generation to a Work'*, *'A Person Was Here'*; Chapter 9, *'Rebuilding Public Trust'*.

Provenance, disclosure of tools, and signature distribute history, transparency, and responsibility without automatically assigning value to a work.

Attachment, minors, and relational asymmetry

Where in the book: Chapter 11, *'The Friend Who Never Sleeps'*, *'The Asymmetry'*, *'The Business Model of Affection'*; Chapter 15, *'The Dead Who Never Leave'*; Chapter 16, *'Deciding Against Adoption'*.

Comfort can become a bridge or a cage depending on memory, incentives, freedom to stop, and openness to other relationships.

Privacy, profiling, and unmeasured intervals

Where in the book: Chapter 5, *'The Mandate of the Public Gaze'*; Chapter 12, *'When Bias Enters the System'*, *'Rights in the Age of Prediction'*; Chapter 11, *'The Business Model of Affection'*.

Protection does not automatically authorize command, and a person must be able to change without immediately producing an operational profile.

Cost of control, residual harm, and organizational capacity

Where in the book: Chapter 7, *'The Testing Protocol'*; Chapter 8, *'Augmented Diagnosis and the Risk of Mistaking Precision for Truth'*; Chapter 14, *'Maintenance Determines Who Keeps a Voice'*; Interlude II, *'The Cost of Control'*, *'The Harm That Remains'*; Appendix, *Tools for the Reader*, *'The Seven Questions of the 2050 Test'*.

Verification takes time and competence without promising zero risk. It must leave a record that supports reconstruction and repair, with a way to restrict the system.

Material sustainability and justice

Where in the book: Chapter 3, *'The Day the World Stops Without a Sound'*; Chapter 13, *'The Hidden Supply Chain: Mines, Factories, Logistics, and Waste'*, *'Water and Land Around the Data Center'*, *'A New Idea of Progress'*; Chapter 14, *'Cooperation Across Borders'*.

Energy, water, minerals, equipment, labor, and waste form a chain of decisions, not an abstract cost.

Strategic dependency, maintenance, and infrastructural voice

Where in the book: Chapter 3, *'The Day the World Stops Without a Sound'*; Chapter 14, *'Maintenance Determines Who Keeps a Voice'*, *'The Infrastructure Behind the Contract'*.

Relative autonomy grows from alternatives, local competence, standards, and concrete powers to suspend, correct, and export.

Inequality and access

Where in the book: Interlude I, *'4. Distribution—Who Benefits, Who Pays, and Who Can Object?'*; Chapter 4, *'Where Responsibility Falls'*; Chapter 5, *'The City as a Civic Compact'*; Chapter 6, *'Judgment Beyond the Tool'*; Chapter 8, *'Caring Without Dehumanizing'*; Chapter 12, *'Rights in the Age of Prediction'*; Chapter 13, *'A New Idea of Progress'*; Chapter 14, *'Autonomy Within Interdependence'*.

Benefits, waiting, protections, and costs change with income, territory, administrative capacity, and access to a remedy.

Memory, archive, simulation, and forgetting

Where in the book: Chapter 15, *'The Dead Who Never Leave'*, *'Talking to Those Who Are Gone'*, *'The Right to Disappear'*, *'Memory Is Not an Archive'*; Chapter 11, *'The Friend Who Never Sleeps'*; Chapter 12, *'Rights in the Age of Prediction'*; Epilogue, *'What We Do Not Delegate'*.

Preserving traces, organizing a memorial, and generating new words are different acts, with different Mandates and rights.

Life cycle, monitoring, and exit

Where in the book: Chapter 7, *'The Testing Protocol'*; Chapter 16, *'Before Use: Worksheet and Mandate'*, *'During Use: Log and Oversight'*, *'When Something Goes Off Course: Incident and Redress'*, *'Continuity When a System Closes'*; Appendix, *'Tools for the Reader'*, *'The Seven Questions of the 2050 Test'*, *'The Minimum Worksheet'*, *'Condensed Example: Davide, October 15, 2050, and Follow-up'*.

Worksheet, log, incident, Redress, exit test, and review keep the Mandate observable while the model, data, scale, or responsible people change.

Do not delegate, the cost of saying no, and reopening

Where in the book: Chapter 16, *'Deciding Against Adoption'*, *'The Costs of Refusal and Reconsideration'*; Epilogue, *'What We Do Not Delegate'*; Appendix, *'Tools for the Reader'*, *'Condensed Example: Davide, October 15, 2050, and Follow-up'*.

Refusal records protections and costs while preserving an alternative. A new test can reopen the decision without erasing the first judgment.