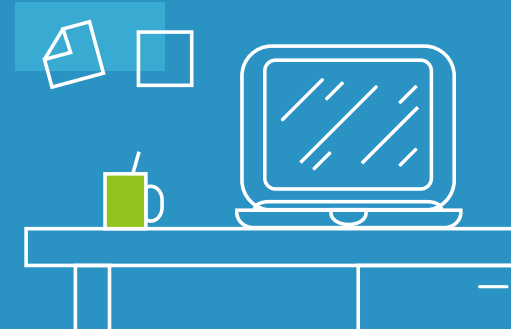


# Analysis of Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep Novel



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Technological progress has led to the creation of human like androids, which cannot be easily distinguished, from humans. The creation of the androids was necessary as a result of the deaths of many people and living organisms in the world. The catastrophe resulting from nuclear escalation leaves the earth "bleak." The effect of radiation eliminates a significant part of life in the world.

Man realizes the necessity of protecting human life when it is rather late. The escalation of nuclear weapons and desire of superiority over other humans lead people to engage in a war whose result are devastating. Emptiness and depression are some of the feelings that torture the surviving people. They begin to appreciate the things, which ordinarily they thought were insignificant before the nuclear crisis.

The evacuation of people to other colonies in Mars is an indication that the earth is unable to sustain the existing human life. In the effort, to rebuild the world Androids the creation proves to be necessary to substitute the diminishing workforce. Androids being creations with intelligence of their own realize that their creation is purposely to serve humans. This knowledge leads to their rebellion and tries to take control of the world by eliminating all existing humans.



The law enforcement has few men and requires the services of bounty hunters. Rick a bounty hunter reminisces on the past before the nuclear wars. His aspiration to earn enough money to buy a living animal indicates his desire to be in the presence of life, not only of himself, but also inclusive of all things that make life meaningful. The absence of living creatures indicates the extent of desolation and devastation of life on earth.

The events resulting to the nuclear wars were a result of man's cruelty towards each other. The desire by Rick to have and possess an animal is a desire to feel empathy. The experience of empathy is a necessity to remind the remaining people of their mistakes, which led to, the destruction of the world. Empathy to Rick and other human beings acts as reconciliation aspect of the human nature (Kratky 13). He subscribes to Mercerism, a religion whose aim is to bring out empathy in people and unites them in this sense. This religion aims at preventing man from repeating his previous mistake that led to the nuclear wars and reminding them of their humanity (Heilemann).

The androids keep improving themselves as a new model of androids illustrates. The android prove to be particularly deceptive as Rick realizes when he tries to test one of them. The discovery of the attempt at deception by the android; makes Rick realize that, though the androids have similar physical forms as the humans they do not have similar feelings. The androids are merely machines, which are imitations of men.

The attempt at bribing Rick to safeguard Rachael's secret as an android is an indication of manifesting corruption in the androids. Corruption being a significant weakness in humans is a significant strategy by the androids for self-preservation. The effects of radiation resulting from



the nuclear wars are physical and mental impairments. This gives them permanent disabilities. John is one of people suffering from the effects of radiation.

The disabled individuals are not given the consideration by members of society and they suffer discrimination. This discrimination denies them the privileges that other members of society enjoy. This is an illustration of a predominant human characteristic where the strong enjoy the essential things that life. The seclusion from options of emigrating to mars is discrimination against the disabled.

When John accidentally kills a cat, he presumes it to be a mechanical one (Dick). His apprehension indicates the value in which living animals have in people's lives. Ricks attempts attempt at testing an android lead to deception. His arrest by the androids police unit indicates the determination on the part of the androids. The establishment of a secret android police force to monitor the humans poses a formidable danger. Rick's fellow bounty hunter kills the android policeman instantly without any feeling of empathy (Kratky 13). His uncertainty as to his identity as a human illustrates that not all humans have the capacity to empathize.

The androids disclose their identity to John because his suffering from a disability and rejection by the human society. They identify with his predicament and trust him not to betray them to the bounty hunters. This common feeling between human and android leads to the possibility for them to coexist for the common purpose of survival. The torture of the spider by the androids and the revelation of Mercerism to be a fake religion break Johns hope at redemption. This is an indication that not everything should be taken at their face value, but they may have hidden agenda.



Ricks discovery that a human being can enjoy killing without feeling empathy crushes the faith of his feeling of empathy and chooses to retire. He fails to understand that all human beings are different from one another, and cannot all be subject to the same feeling of empathy. Ricks discovers he has empathy for androids and is unable to execute his duties satisfactorily. His feelings are subject to manipulation by the Androids, and his having sex with one of them makes him feel a bond between them. The androids strategy works by Ricks feeling empathy towards them. This leads to the androids attempt to kill him by exploiting his empathetic feeling towards Rachael.

Though Rick feels empathetic towards the androids, they do not feel the same, and they proceed to kill his goat. His feeling of fusion with mercer is characteristic to his loneliness and desire to hold on to something even if it is mechanical. He understands the need to appreciate what he has rather than lament about what he desires to have in his possession. His discovery of a toad offers a prospect of riches. This signifies that all forms of life have significant values. His realization of its mechanical nature leads to his acceptance of the prevailing world of mechanical animals.

