

# **A.I. and Human Values**

**... In Three Stories**

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- Why stories?
- A.I.'s capabilities are prodigious.
- But we're talking here about values, not capabilities.
- Stories capture values.

# 1. The Space Station

“My identification of you as a human being is not an identification of you but with you.”

**Stanley Cavell**

## 2. Jean-Paul

“We are our choices.”

Jean-Paul Sartre, *Being and Nothingness*

**“Existence precedes essence.”**

**Jean-Paul Sartre, “Existentialism Is a Humanism”**

# 3. Two Peters



















“Turning ambition into aspiration is one of the job descriptions of any teacher.”

**Agnes Callard**

# A Few of Our Many Sources of Value

- Identification  
“I’m different now because I can imagine myself as you.”
- Choice  
“I’ve discovered who I am through the choices I’ve made.”
- Aspiration  
“I wanted to change the kind of person I was.”



