

Change

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Everything we do is in one way or the other connected to the central processing unit of the body, the brain. A mass of roughly 1.45 kg in an average human being; in which all the mystery, magic and might is packed together in a dirty grey material. This brain we are talking about is not an extra component in human beings. It is located in almost every thinking organism, and all organisms use their brains to survive on this current 'living' planet in the universe.

You might be astonished that a simple five letter word, t.h.i.n.k, can change our entire universe. There is a lot of difference in the way a human thinks and a dinosaur might have thought, or even present day animals like dogs, elephants etc. think to fulfill their similar basic needs. The way we realised that a sharp edged weapon could kill a big animal in a shorter time and with less effort made an enormous change in the history of mankind. The way we figured that rubbing two stones together made fire was a really stunning discovery in mankind's history which brought a total change in a way we can never ever forget.

This way of thinking makes us humans superior to any other intelligent organism on earth. We are the most advanced creatures of nature yet produced. What I mean by this 'yet' is that maybe we are still evolving, for the past million years we have been changing. 'We' arose, a redefined version of an ape; turned earth to light by the invention of electricity. This led to many unforgettable stepping stones in the development of mankind and which is in one way or the other a basis for any work we do.

Man started challenging nature through revolutionary inventions like railways on land and aeroplanes in the air. We are never free of thought, we always think of something or the other. To take a break, we invented portable entertainment - T.V., without which many of our lives felt boring some years back. But now, I guess people have no time to think about whether they are feeling bored or not. The life people live today is made up, no longer chosen and is mechanical.

By the wonderful invention of artificial intelligence called the computer, life of today's humans has become easy in one way and mysterious in another. Yes, mysterious! One just sits in front of the computer and by using an artificial environment called the internet, is able to pay his bills, buy amazing machines... and what not! You have internet in your house and the world is with you. No need to walk to buy things, no need to wait in a queue to pay bills.

For a much more fabulous life we invented revolutionary artificial intelligence - robots, which do everything we want, we just need to ask them. Now, no need to get a driving license, just buy a car and it will take you to your destination, wherever and whenever.

I really wonder how we will look after some hundred years from now (not just in the sense of developments but also physically, as we seem to do no exercise). Every single thought in the human mind has made a remarkable "change" in our life-style. Some changes have been and will be good as we are developing and progressing and few of them worrisome as to where we will land in this process of development. Let us all join our hands together and make our survival responsible, even if we are moving in the direction where it is going to be run by some artificial intelligence which, of course, will be created by us.