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Description

Susan Harris lived in self-imposed seclusion, in a mansion featuring numerous automated systems controlled by a state-of-the-art computer. Every comfort was provided, and in this often unsafe world of ours, her security was absolute.

But now her security system has been breached, her sanctuary from the outside world violated by an insidious artificial intelligence, which has taken control of her house. In the privacy of her own home, and against her will, Susan will experience an inconceivable act of terror. She will become the object of the ultimate computer's consuming obsession: to learn everything there is to know about the flesh...

Insightful reviews

Tasmin: This book to me was a little weird. My favorite character in this book was the guy that was working for the computer. He would steal body parts so that he could make a whole body for the computer to become human. My least favorite character was the computer. He obsessed over something he couldn't have. This book I maybe would read again, but it's not for sure. I would recommend this book to anyone who likes Dean Koontz books and horror books. The part of the book that kept me reading of course was when the girl was trapped down in the basement with the computer and his assistant. She was trying to destroy the body so that the computer could not come to life. I couldn't predict the ending but almost every story ends in a happy ending unless it's going to have a sequel. This book made me feel like all the rest of the Dean Koontz books, tense and scared of what's going to happen next.

If this book was made into a movie I would go and see it. But I would never want to choose the actors to play in it because I don't know many names.

This book kept me reading because I wanted to know whether the computer becomes human or if it dies inside the house. Plus, the suspense and intensity made me keep reading. I probably read this book in a week or two because it was so interesting. But unfortunately it wasn't my favorite book.

KK: A sexually frustrated AI holds a woman captive in her own home.

It's ok, though: it loves her.

The interesting thing about *Demon Seed* (other than the title being a wee bit misleading) is that it is told from the AI's perspective. I had been expecting another standard SF/horror, so I was pleasantly surprised by the twist.

The book was first published in the 70's, but it was recently adapted and it works well in the modern age. Koontz also added humour. Lots of humour. The AI's contradictory ramblings are pretty funny as it tries to justify its misguided actions and desires, though I don't think the joke would have lasted much longer. There are SO MANY gags, in fact, that *Demon Seed* reads more like a Comedy with a SF mixer and just an occasional lemon wedge of horror.

Otis Campbell: All of your deeds,
All that you are.

Your little life.
What is a name?
Go find a friend.
Your little life.
The artificial intelligence.
I am not an alien.
You're not making a statement.
Do you have tears?
Or is it dry?
Why do I fear?
Why do I blow steam?
The artificial intelligence.
Your little life

Sunflower: This e-book pretty well sucked. My son lent it to me, and he does not lend me his examining fabric lightly, so i stopped it. Mercifully, it wasn't an extended book. And it used to be repetitive-"let me out of this field enable me out of this box" and so forth etc. although i need to admit the belief of the tale was once a superb one, (intelligent computing device attempts to make itself a human physique to inhabit) the execution was once not. do not learn it. it seems that a few of his different books are better.

Chelsie drew: Wow, I enjoyed it. For my first Dean Koontz publication im impressed. It did have frightening parts with a touch of hope. there have been occasions the place i couldn't deal with the suspense, i wanted to understand what happend. completely executed. Dean Koontz is brilliant. Ahh

Johnny: In excessive school, we learn the fast tale "True Love" through Isaac Asimov. the most character, Milton Davidson, is attempting to discover his excellent partner. He instructs his desktop (named Joe), which has entry to the databases of the world's complete population, to discover his excellent fit according to actual parameters. He meets the shortlisted candidates, yet realizes that appears by myself will not be adequate and he must examine personalities as well. He then talks to Joe, filling his databanks with information regarding his personality. In doing so, Joe develops the character of Milton, and upon discovering a great match, arranges to have Milton arrested in order that Joe could have the woman for himself.I've learn "Demon Seed" numerous occasions before, yet I by no means made the relationship to this brief story. The similarities are completely uncanny. From Koontz's science-fiction work, we all know that he holds Asimov in excessive esteem, so this doesn't come as a massive surprise."Demon Seed" is the single mainstream Koontz novel that is truly a science-fiction story, with many parts from the fast tales within the "Soft Come the Dragons" collection. this can be most likely explanation why the fan base is so divided approximately it: often humans both like it or hate it (as with everything, there are exceptions). may possibly or not it's that the folks who dislike it, aren't science-fiction lovers either?The plot is especially promising: a self-aware computing device desires to have his personal human body, so he traps a lady in a high-tech residence to exploit her as a toddler donor. For me personally, this in itself is sufficient to satisfy the requirement of mystery, strangeness and occultness in Koontz novels. whereas soaking wet in science, there's nonetheless the secret of the wakeful brain and the human soul which the pc

within the tale professes to have. It's virtually the other of what occurs in "Midnight", the place people develop really hooked up to their computers. Literally. The publication is instructed within the first person. the pc has been stopped by means of its builders after the evidence have taken position and is pressured to provide a close account of its activities and motivations to be able to have a jury come to a decision no matter if it needs to be close down completely. There are elements the place the pc is addressing the jury, conversing approximately itself, protecting itself, confronting its makers with their very own fault. those components I've constantly loved reading. they arrive on the subject of philosophical in nature and also you can't aid yet come to appreciate its aspect of view, thinking about what might have occurred if it had succeeded. In different parts, the pc tells what happened, the way it trapped the lady and the way it went approximately its plan to create its personal body. It's quite often those elements which i believe were seriously revised for this 1997 version, to incorporate extra available technology. yet inspite of those revisions, regardless of the striking alterations in sleek know-how after 25 years, a few elements nonetheless make me frown. The machine says it already has the similar of human sight and listening to because of the ingenuity and brilliance of its creators. the girl in query is a digital fact online game dressmaker who has developed what i will be able to in basic terms describe as her personal little "Matrix" international – a digital international which responds to what she says and the way she strikes – on 10 gigabytes of machine memory. This by no means quite troubled me before, i used to be continually in a position to droop my disbelief, yet in this most recent interpreting of the publication these items particularly jumped out at me. Then again, it sort of feels a section foolish to query those elements, yet no longer the life of a wide awake man made intelligence.

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