



IMPORTANT NOTE 重要告示:

This script is only for reference purpose. Rights for performance or adaptation is protected by copyright and their permission must be sought from the author.

以下劇本只作參考用途，如欲採用或改編，須先取得作者同意。

Name of School : PLK NGAN PO LING COLLEGE

學校名稱 : 保良局顏寶鈴書院

Name of Play 劇名 : Decode

Script writer 劇作者 : Nico Lui Hei Tsun (Alumni), Chan Esther Hiu Lam (Alumni)

Synopsis 故事大綱 :

In 2046, the project “001 Revival” launches. It allows participants to exchange their memories to gain knowledge. In sacrificing their memories, participants become more knowledgeable and eventually have a brighter future.

Jennifer participates in the experiment in hopes of fulfilling the dream of her brother, Spencer. However, when Jennifer tries to unlock the last memory box, a code is needed to proceed, a code that will unlock the hidden secrets of her relationship with Spencer and her mother.

At the end of the day, through Jennifer’s story, is knowledge really so important that we should give up our precious memories in exchange? The memories we share with those we love... Is the education system destroying the brains of our youth?



IMPORTANT NOTE 重要告示:

This script is only for reference purpose. Rights for performance or adaptation is protected by copyright and their permission must be sought from the author.

以下劇本只作參考用途，如欲採用或改編，須先取得作者同意。

PROLOGUE

(Light up)

ALPHA: Are you sure to proceed?

JENNIFER: Wait. Hold on!

[Black out]

Scene 1 - "001 Revival"

[LIGHTS UP]

DR. STONE: Ladies and Gentlemen! Welcome to the grand opening of the first ever laboratory that applied the technology of Artificial intelligence in directly communicating with your brain. This is one of the greatest milestones that has been made in the history of mankind, it is a big leap forward to the future and we could be the master of anything!

[Crowd clapping hands and amazed]

DR. STONE: The project is entitled as "001 Revival". **(Crowd applause)** This is a huge breakthrough allowing us to gain unlimited knowledge. Participants will have to give up their memories to gain the same value of knowledge... Plant this chip in your head, erase all meaningless memories and replace with useful academic knowledge. Now let me present to you all - 'The Conversion Cube'.

Song 1: Excelling Children (Original song: Revolting Children)

Woah! Never again will she get the best of me!
Never again will she take away my freedom
And we won't forget the day we fought
For the right to be a little bit smarter!
Never again will I fail an exam!
Never again will I disappoint and
Never again will I doubt it when
My mummy says I'm a miracle!
Never again! Never again will we want what's not ours!
Never again now that we know...
We are excelling children...Living in desperate times...
We'll do as we're told
And we'll fall in line
We'll be excelling children

IMPORTANT NOTE 重要告示:

This script is only for reference purpose. Rights for performance or adaptation is protected by copyright and their permission must be sought from the author.

以下劇本只作參考用途，如欲採用或改編，須先取得作者同意。

'Til our excelling's done
We're no longer disappointing
We're excelling! We are excelling children...
Living in desperate times...We'll do as we're told
And we'll fall in line... We'll be excelling children
'Til our excelling's done
We're no longer disappointing
We're excelling!

(LIGHTS UP on Cube A)

(Daisy is studying and Daisy's MOM urges her to study harder)

DAISY: I have been finishing 2 chapters of biology revision since lunch ended 45 minutes. Mom would be so proud. I know that's what she wants. (*says this in a really happy and exciting tone*) and that's why I quitted the orchestra and the hand chimes team. It's not getting me to a decent university anyways. I will not let those stop me. Those teams are no use at all! Study is what's most important and nothing else matters.

DAISY: **(To Alpha)** Alpha, this memory is useless. I want to plant the whole periodic table in my head! Hydrogen, helium.... Proceed.

ALPHA: MEMORY ERASED

[LIGHTS UP on Cube C, SOPHIE, ALICE and ELIZABETH are waiting for the magnetic train to go home]

SOPHIE: Remember what the school mentioned to us today? About "001 Revival"?

ALICE: Ya, I'm interested! Hey, let's join together! And get all the knowledge we can! Eliz, are you in?

ELIZABETH: Well... I'm not sure...umm...

SOPHIE: What are you not sure of?

ALICE: Come on!

SOPHIE: There's nothing for you to lose! They say we just plant a chip and we get to choose what knowledge to gain and what memories to lose, easy peasy!

ALICE: Everything is going to be under our control! It's no big deal!

ELIZABETH: No big deal? Is it really no big deal at all?

SOPHIE: Yeah! It's doesn't matter at all. If we can get

ALICE and SOPHIE: Knowledge!

ELIZABETH: Okay. (*breath in*) Maybe it's really just a no big deal, right? Let's do this together?

IMPORTANT NOTE 重要告示:

This script is only for reference purpose. Rights for performance or adaptation is protected by copyright and their permission must be sought from the author.

以下劇本只作參考用途，如欲採用或改編，須先取得作者同意。

ALICE, SOPHIE: YES. And we are all gonna be very smart!

ELIZABETH: **(To Alpha)** Alpha, I need places for knowledge. Proceed.

ALPHA: MEMORY ERASED

[LIGHTS UP on CUBE B]

JENNIFER's mother ANGELICA found out her daughter joined the experiment]

ANGELICA: Are you joining the experiment?

JENNIFER: **(Grabs the letter)** Leave me alone! It's none of your business!

ANGELICA: None of my business? You're my daughter!

JENNIFER: Isn't this what you want? You started the whole project!

ANGELICA: I quit.

JENNIFER: So? You said that to him as well! And see what happened. He went missing because of you! Hypocrite.

[BLACKOUT]

Scene 2 – The Memory Data

ALPHA: Miss Jennifer Wood, would you like to erase this memory data? Are you sure to proceed?

JENNIFER: Wait. Hold on!

ALPHA: 'Participants will have to give up their memories to gain the same value of knowledge.' 'You must sacrifice all meaningless memories in your head.'

JENNIFER: Meaningless memories?

ALPHA: Imagine your brain is a bookshelf and the size of the shelf is fixed. You put all kind of stuff on it and it's stuck. Now, '001 Revival' helps you clean up meaningless memories and refresh your brain with meaningful knowledge.

JENNIFER: Meaningful knowledge?

ALPHA: Academic knowledge drives you to the 5** paradise.

JENNIFER: **(Feeling sarcastic)** The 5** paradise. Have you any idea how much pressure the '5**' paradise has brought to the students?

ALPHA: Sorry, I don't have the answer. But I can search my database and calculate the best answer for you if you wish.

JENNIFER: Alpha, you don't have everything in your database.

ALPHA: No one has everything in his head. Miss Wood, I have to warn you. If you spend too much time on searching your memory data, other participants will go faster than you.