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Thread: [Will AI eventually replace human relationships?](#)

Mastercarder - May 8, 2026, 2:54 am

Feels like we're slowly heading toward a future where AI becomes more emotionally available to people than actual humans. You already see people talking to AI daily, using AI for emotional support, building attachments to chatbots, preferring digital interaction over real social interaction.. list goes on.

Now imagine where this goes in 10–20 years with realistic voices, memory, personality adaptation, AR glasses, humanoid robots (China's new release) and brain-computer interfaces.

At what point does the line between “tool” and “companion” disappear? Part of me thinks this could help lonely people.

Another part thinks it could completely destroy human social skills and relationships over time..

Do you think future generations will see AI companions as normal as having friends/partners, or do you think society pushes back against it?

Sift - May 8, 2026, 3:08 am

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Edmond Dantes - May 8, 2026, 3:19 am

Whatever AI does there is one thing it can't do- Have a soul.

Mastercarder - May 8, 2026, 3:28 am

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That’s the part I keep thinking about too. Human relationships are messy, unpredictable and sometimes painful, but that’s also what makes them real.

AI companions remove a lot of the friction people normally have to work through. No rejection, no judgment, no conflict unless you want it. I can definitely see why that becomes addictive for some people.

What’s scary is future generations might not even see it as “replacing” relationships. To them it could just become normal.

kkiller - May 8, 2026, 2:47 pm

maybe for chuds bro but gpt could never replace my gf . everything else is debatable, lawyers therapist etc

Codexpal77 - May 18, 2026, 4:58 pm

As much as I enjoy utilizing AI for day to day tasks, it will never replace the feel of human contact. Yeah they can make a robot that is lifelike but can you create a family with one??