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Self-driving cars - Leonardo DiCaprio - Interview

Interviewer: Hello, my name is Małgosia and I have the pleasure of interviewing you. Nice to meet you.

Leonardo DiCaprio: Hello, nice to meet you too.

Interviewer: I have a couple of questions for you.

Leonardo DiCaprio: Yes, naturally, keep going.

Interviewer: Ok, so you are one of the most famous actors. You have played in many movies that are known all over the world, like „*Titanic*”, „*Inception*” but I would like to know more about your personal side, not just the one from films. Could you tell me what do you think, what is your opinion about the future of self-driving cars?

Leonardo DiCaprio: Oh, that is a really interesting subject. What do I think about self-driving cars? I think it is our very near future and maybe we are not expecting this that soon, but in my opinion, that is going to happen in the next 10 – 15 years. For example, let us look at Tesla. While driving you do not really need to focus on the road because if another car comes from the opposite direction, Tesla will let you know about it. That is just one of the examples.

Interviewer: Ok, but are you not afraid about this that machines, robots will take control over?

Leonardo DiCaprio: Self-driving cars and robots are completely different topics. The technology of self-driving cars will be incredibly helpful. It could be an easy way to get to work, school or shops. People probably would not have to have their driving licenses. Anyway, it is quite scary that technology could take control but it will never be full control. People will always find the way out of problems so if there is a problem with robots taking control I am sure that scientists or technicians will find a method to turn off these machines.

Interviewer: How do you think self-driving cars could help other people?

Leonardo DiCaprio: You know that blind people cannot drive cars, right. If they had a self-driving cars, they could go anywhere they wanted without anyone's help. Next, ambulances. They would not need a drivers. Even the Taxis. People have work to very late night hours, even on holidays. They will not have to do that when self-driving cars appear on the market. Life will be much easier.

Interviewer: Ok, one last question. If you had a chance to be in a self-driving car. Would you like to try?

Leonardo DiCaprio: Yes, of course, but I am not sure it would work for long time. I think this technology would be helpful to the world but when I am behind the wheel, I just feel that I have full control, and if anything happens it will depend on me.

Interviewer: Alright, thank you so much for this interview and showing us some of a real you.

Leonardo DiCaprio: Thank you for having me here. I spent this time really lovely. Thank you.