

BLACK MIRROR

Black Mirror is a British series created by Charlie Brooker in 2011 which deals with the unanticipated consequences of new technologies in a not so distant future. The episodes are usually dark and satirical and make the viewer think about his or her own usage of these technologies. Each episode has a different story and different characters.

Nosedive is the first episode of the third season, released on the Internet in 2016. Here are some questions focusing on the first 8 minutes of the episode.

Opening scene :

1) What can you say about the colour scheme used in this scene?

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2) What does she see in the mirror? How can she see that?

Why is she laughing?

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Coffee shop scene :

3) At the coffee shop, what is everyone doing? Do you think people already do that?

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4) Does she like her coffee? What is most important to her?

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Elevator scene :

5) What do they do before talking to each other?

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6) How would you describe Bethany and Lacie's interaction?

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Office scene :

7) Why is Chester bringing smoothies to everyone?

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8) Why is Chester's score so low?

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9) What are her colleagues' reactions when she accepts the smoothie? Why?

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Let's think about it

10) If such an app existed, would you use it? Why or why not?

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11) Do you sometimes publish things that will be « liked » rather than things you actually like on social networks? Give examples.

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12) Do you think the world in this episode is very different from ours? How ?

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