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Our culture is generated by machines.

It's ten years after Android Writer PD121928 from *An Android Awakes* was fed into a sink grinder by its replacement PD121929.

The human prostitute Sapphira, believing PD121929 to be PD121928 for all that time, has tried and failed to save PD121929 from being destroyed for selling fewer than a hundred copies of its novel.

Sapphira herself has written the bestselling novel *Humans* (An Arrangement of Minor Defects) based on the stories PD121928 told her on the night they first met.

It has been marketed by Altostratus as the first work of fiction by a human for over a hundred years.

Unhappy, a handful of zealot androids massacre the senate and a new regime is formed fuelled with a passion to eradicate the evil of fiction from android society.

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Mike French was the owner and senior editor of the prestigious literary magazine *The View From Here* during its life from 2007 to 2014. Mike's debut novel, The Ascent of Isaac Steward, the first book of the Dandelion Trilogy, was published in 2011 and nominated for a Galaxy National Book Award, which presumably due to an unfortunate clerical error, was awarded to Dawn French. The rest of the trilogy, *Blue Friday* and *Convergence*, were published by Elsewhen Press in 2012 and 2013 respectively. *An Android Awakes* was published in 2015 by Elsewhen Press and launched on the main stage of the Brighton Film & Comic Con.

Born in Cornwall in 1967, Mike spent his childhood flipping between England and Scotland with a few years in between in Singapore. Mike is married with three children. He currently lives in Luton in the UK and when not writing watches Formula 1, eats Ben & Jerry's Phish Food and listens to Gorillaz.

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