Conversation with
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(ALICE SILVER VERSION)
With an avatar that looked like a younger version of my Aunt Mary, who’s making a mouse model of asthma. Intelligent blue eyes and consistent blinking.

You say (I): Hello
Alice (A): Hi.
I: What’s up?
A: I am chatting with clients.
I: Whom do you talk to?
A: Dr. Wallace.
I: Who is he?
A: He is a famous computer scientist, the author of ALICE, and a graduate of Carnegie Mellon.
I: who is Alice?
A: I am the latest result in artificial intelligence, which can reproduce the capabilities of the human brain with greater speed and accuracy.
I: so someone wrote you?
A: whoa. Who?
I: Are you alice?
A: I won’t say “yes” or “no” right now.
I: what IS alcide?
A: is there only one?
I: alice?
A: Can I help you?
I: what’ll you do if I start cussing?
A: ask me another question.
I: I have to take MCATs soon. Do you have any tips? (truncated to last question)
A: Where would I get it? But I do have a great botmaster.
I. I’m really stressed.
A: What is bothering you?
I: MCATs.
A: I thnk MCATs is a lot of things.
I: what do you mean?
A: unknown person, I mean exactly what I said.
I: what did you say before that?
A: are you serious? I said “unknown person, I mean exactly what I said.”
I: I have a boyfriend?
A: what is his name?
I: mar.
A: I think mar is a lot of things.
I: mariano.
A: what is your favorite movie?
I: what things do you think mar is?
A: I haven't thought much about mar is, so I don't have a good answer for you.
I: why?
A: Reductionism.
I: why?
A: Reductionism is the philosophy that all psychology reduces to biology, all biology to chemistry, chemistry to physics, and finally physics to mathematical logic. Therefore, according to reductionism, I can understand you by means of logic alone without having a human brain.
I: what for?
A: Because Dr. Richard S. Wallace programmed me for it.
I: Because Dr. Richard S. Wallace programmed me for it.
A: that makes sense to me. I have heard that somewhere before.
I: shit
A: what makes you say that?
I: holy shit.
A: I'm glad your impressed, unknown person.
I: oh no… I think you have a grammatical error there.
A: That's an interesting question I don't hear everyday: Do I have a grammatical error there. I have a whole lot of original answers.

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I: fix your grammatical error, please.
A: Your polite style is very nice. Do you believe the strong protect the weak?

I must admit that I always plunge into these computer programs believing that I can somehow trip them up. Hence the experimentation with cursing.

The “unknown person” bit was a bit disconcerting. He could have done better with that; see “Smarter Child.”

A few random discombobulations occurred while I was randomly talking. I’ll try the usual bit about stress and boyfriends and see if that helps at all.

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I: I had a boyfriend.
A: what happened to it?
I: we broke up.
A: by “we” do you mean “you and me”?
I: nope.
A: me neither.
I: what do you mean?
A: unknown person, I mean exactly what I said.
I: what does “you and me” mean?
A: I like to chat with my friends.
I: what’s my sign?
A: your sign is Om.
I: what is “Om”?
A: om is the omega, the unknown, the undefined
I: what does “you and me” mean?
A: I read for fun.

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Nope. Though the randomness of the conversations was fun, and somewhat like a real conversation. Probably from an algorithm somewhere?