



There are many things that tempt people; the temptation to construct, the temptation to destruct, and thousands of other temptations.

What a horrible tragedy it is when someone wants to construct but does not know that he is dominated by the “CYBERNETIC” system and engaged in destruction.

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