

# NOTHING BUT TALK

## FRANKENSTEIN



The creature's chilling and prophetic words to the reckless young Victor Frankenstein have echoed across three centuries, and have never been more relevant than today.

Now in the age of super advanced technology, universal digitisation and Artificial Intelligence, human skills are being rapidly eroded rendering us dependent on our own clever creations.

From dependence to addiction to slavery are all but short steps on the road to self destruction. It seems the stuff of fiction, but in many areas of life we are already living this nightmare, though many of us are unaware of it. Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* is a wake-up call that keeps on calling.

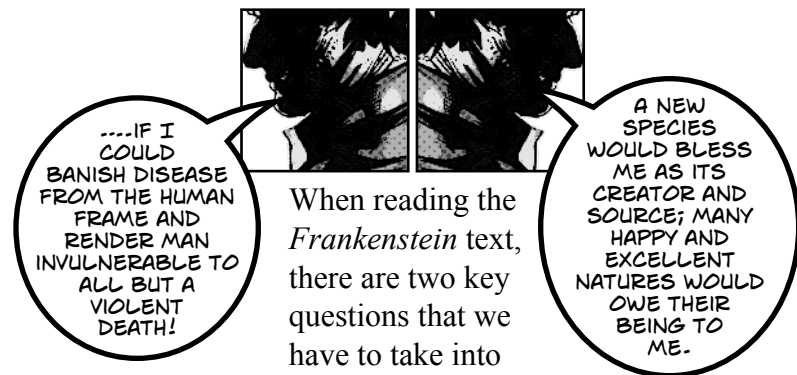
### Multifaceted

A story that was accidentally written by a teenage girl, and anonymously published, over 200 years ago, *Frankenstein* is one of the Romantic period's greatest work of imagination. It is also considered the best example of early science fiction, and the first ever modern myth.

The name Frankenstein is instantly recognisable by all generations across cultures today. However, it is a tale that has been continuously misrepresented in the popular imagination through film, theatre, caricature, and shorter book versions.

This is not a simple story about a mad scientist who creates a monster that becomes uncontrollably violent. In Mary Shelley's story we will find profound meditations on prejudice, shaming, maltreatment, exclusion, revenge, excess, abuse of nature, injustice and poetic justice. There is so much to explore in this multifaceted novel.

### Pioneer A New Way, Explore Unknown Powers



When reading the *Frankenstein* text, there are two key questions that we have to take into consideration.

Is Victor Frankenstein truly altruistic in his quest to benefit humanity by discovering the secret of life in order to create a new type of disease-free human?

Or is Frankenstein simply egoistic and arrogant in his attempt to play God the creator and to bask in the subsequent adulation and glory?