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## Deepfakes' biggest threat to the 2020 US election isn't what you'd think | CNET

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<u>Deepfakes are scary</u>. But here's some good news for the US election. Experts agree a candidate deepfake isn't likely to disrupt the 2020 vote.

The bad news: The mere existence of deepfakes is enough to screw up the election, even if a deepfake of a candidate never happens.

One of the first nightmarish scenarios people imagine when they learn about this new form of artificial intelligence is a disturbingly real video of a candidate, say, confessing to a hot-button crime that never happened. But that's not what experts fear most for the election.

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