

IYUNO
Los Angeles

ATOM (Male, 12-13)



Voice Description: A medium voiceprint. He speaks politely and sounds mature beyond his years.

Adults and Minors are encouraged to submit for this role.

Character Description: PRECOCIOUS. COMPOSED. INTUITIVE.

Resembling an adolescent human, Atom is one of the world's highest-level robots. He's powered with extremely advanced artificial intelligence and possesses both rich sensitivity and combat ability. Dr. Tenma, a genius robotics scientist, built Atom as a replacement for his son who died in a traffic accident. Unable to surpass Tenma's impossible standards of perfection, Atom is considered a "failed experiment." He was planted in the 39th Central Asian War as a symbol of peace and acted as a messenger of post-war reconstruction. He resents his ties to the conflict.

Thanks to his programming, Atom displays an uncanny proximity to a human's emotions. At times, he seems even more alive than an actual person. He is the catalyst for Gesicht's own existential evolution as the duo investigate the robot and human murders.

LABEL: CHARACTER_Name_AGENT_Location

Example: ATOM_Jane Doe_AGENT_ LA

If submitting for MINOR TALENT, please use this format:

Example: ATOM_Jane Doe_AGENT_LA_MINOR

Slate: Name

No more than 2 takes, if submitting 2 takes please send on 1 MP3

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SCENE 1

Over dinner, GESICHT commends the younger bot's impressive A.I. ATOM shrugs off GESICHT's praise.

ATOM: It looks so good...! Time to dig in! *[Sensing GESICHT's watchful gaze]* Something wrong?

GESICHT: Nothing. It's just that you sincerely seem to be enjoying your dessert.

I'm sure I look like I'm only pretending to drink by comparison.

ATOM: I'm pretending too, but the more I do it, the more I start to figure it out.

GESICHT: Understand what?

ATOM: The meaning of "delicious." I don't know if this is how it feels for humans, but... my heart... it jumps.

GESICHT: That's incredible. So earlier... when you saw that kid outside playing with his toy, that moment made you want one also?

ATOM: Sure it did! 'Cause, that toy? It's super popular with the other kids right now.

GESICHT: Then how about the snail? When I ran into you earlier, you'd discovered a snail in the rain.

ATOM: Yup.

GESICHT: You picked up the snail because you *felt* something. You were moved by that simple bit of life.

ATOM: *[Shrugging]* I dunno. I just wanted to see it.

SCENE 2

At the scene of a human's murder, ATOM's professional investigation unnerves the police on-site.

TAWASHI: You guys have finally done it. A robot killed a human. No person could do this without leaving a trace.

ATOM: C'mere. What do you make of this? There's green tea under this rubble.

TAWASHI: Green tea?

ATOM: Yes, two broken teacups, and some yokan red bean jelly. The tea was brewed recently, too. Would you serve tea and snacks if a robot came to visit?

NAKAMURA: They did find tea and jelly inside the victim's stomach during the autopsy.

ATOM: And look over there. It seems they sat on the veranda and admired the hydrangeas.

NAKAMURA: We can confirm that there were hydrangeas in the garden.

ATOM: Robots don't understand beauty, right? Do you still think a robot did this?