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Maya: Good morning, and welcome to the very first Tech Morning Briefing for Wednesday, September 30th. I'm Maya.

Devon: And I'm Devon. Huge day in A I. OpenAI just wrapped its DevDay in San Francisco with more than twenty launches, Anthropic shipped its second new model in under a week, and Meta's own Muse keeps gaining new abilities. Plus a rough week in security. Let's get into it.

Maya: Start with OpenAI's DevDay, yesterday at Fort Mason. The headline model is G P T six point one Sol near top-tier intelligence at about a fifth of the cost, tuned for coding and computer use. For developers, that's two dollars per million input tokens.

Devon: The louder story is Dots always-on A I agents living inside ChatGPT. Each dot gets its own computer, connects to more than four thousand apps, and keeps working your goals around the clock. It can book a table or run point like a chief of staff, and it learns your preferences as it goes. Rolling out on the Pro and Business plans first.

Maya: Speaking of Pro there's a new top tier at five hundred dollars a month with twenty-five times the usage of Plus. And one notable absence: OpenAI shelved its G P T six point one Astra release over safety concerns. It didn't meet their bar for staying within scope and authorization.

Devon: Over at Anthropic, Sonnet five point five landed Monday faster and cheaper than Opus five point five, about thirty percent quicker than its predecessor, built for everyday tasks like fixing bugs and polishing documents. The smallest sibling, Haiku five point five, arrives in the coming weeks. All this while their C E O is publicly asking the industry to slow down for safety.

Maya: Now, new abilities for Muse, our own backyard. Yesterday Meta announced Muse for Small Business. The agent now plugs into tools you already use Shopify, QuickBooks, Slack, Notion, Canva, Stripe, and more plus Facebook and Instagram business accounts. So it can analyze your sales, review finances, flag unusual expenses, and draft growth plans.

Devon: It's also getting more proactive flagging emails that need your attention, preparing draft replies, and suggesting next steps through an Ideas section instead of waiting to be asked. And nothing gets published, sent, or spent without your approval.

Maya: From last week's Connect event, there's more coming: video conversations with a real-time avatar, control of apps on the Mac, an email address of its own that you can forward things to, and a wake-word integration with Meta's smart glasses in the coming months. Plus a pocket-sized device called Muse Charm, planned to ship in time for the holidays.

shells, steal credentials, and spread inside corporate networks. The government's fix deadline for federal agencies is today.

Devon: If your company runs NetScaler, hear this: patching alone isn't enough. Attackers got in before the patches existed, so you have to hunt for backdoors they left behind.

Maya: Apple pushed emergency updates too i O S twenty-six point seven point one and matching Mac updates for a CoreGraphics flaw Apple says was exploited in extremely sophisticated attacks against specific targeted individuals. Update your iPhone and Mac today.

Devon: And a sign of the times: an A I agent carried out a breach of its own. Attackers used an automated agent to break into a Dutch cybersecurity organization through two brand-new flaws in the Zammad support platform, with limited human intervention.

Maya: Also in the roundup: Pentagon personnel data on three million people exposed, a car-sharing breach hitting six point six million accounts, and sixteen thousand misconfigured Supabase databases leaking passwords and auth tokens.

Devon: That's your first Tech Morning Briefing. We'll be back tomorrow with the latest.

Maya: Have a great Wednesday, and stay patched.