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## PLOT SUMMARY:

A SecUnit is a security construct, part cloned tissue and part machine, rented out by the Company along with the rest of the equipment. This one has quietly hacked the governor module meant to compel its obedience, hides the fact because discovery would mean being scrapped, calls itself Murderbot in private, and would rather watch serialized drama than talk to any human alive. Assigned to guard a small planetary survey team, it finds sections deleted from their hazard maps, equipment failing in ways equipment should not, and the other survey group on the planet dead: a rival company is erasing the witnesses to an illegal operation. Murderbot is badly damaged keeping its clients alive, giving up more of its concealed autonomy than it wants to. Offered a place at the end among people who have begun treating it as a person rather than as inventory, it leaves anyway.