



SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Discussion

Basic questions

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**Yes, I do. No, I don't.*

5 What are the advantages of technology?

**The advantages of technology are...*

6 What thing you would never let technology replace?

**The thing that I'd never let technology replace is...*

Extended questions

1 Is there a piece of technology that you really want that doesn't exist?

**Yes, there is. / No, there isn't.*

2 Has technology made our lives better?

**Yes, technology has made our lives better. / No, I don't think technology has made our lives better.*

3 Do you think modern technology increases or reduces stress? Why?

**I think modern technology....stress because...*

4 Do you think that one day science will find a way to make people's lives forever? Do you think that would be a good or bad thing?

**Yes, I think one day science.... / No, I don't think science...*

5 Do you think that one day robots will contribute to unemployment?

**Yes, I think robots will contribute to unemployment. / No, I don't think that one day robots will contribute to unemployment.*

6 How will science change the world in the next 100 years?

**Science will change the world in the next 100 years by....*

Vocabulary

1 Technophobe (/ˈteknəʊfəʊb/)

(noun) A person who is afraid of, dislikes or avoids new technology

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discovered

Ex. Recent innovations in steel-making industry.

4 Progress (/ˈprɒːgres/)

(noun) the process of improving or developing, or of getting nearer to achieving or completing something

Ex. We have made great progress in this project.

5 Technophile (/ˈteknəʊfaɪl/)

(noun) A person who is enthusiastic about new technology

Ex. David is a technophile. He will buy the latest gadget whether he needs it or not.

6 Advanced (/ədˈvænst/)

(adjective) Having the most modern and recently developed ideas, methods .

Ex. Sweden has a reputation for advanced and stylish design.

7 Cyber- (/ˈsaɪbər/)

(adj) Connected with electronic communication networks, especially the internet

Ex. cybercafe, cybernetics

8 Automation (/ˌɔːtəˈmeɪʃn/)

The use of machine to do work that was previously done by people

Ex. Automation meant the loss of many factory jobs.

9 Revolutionary (/ˌrevəˈluːʃənəri/)

Involving a great or complete change

Ex. The effects of technological development are revolutionary.

Idioms / Useful Expressions

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Ex. This technology is bang up to date.

4 A computer buff – an expert computer user

Ex. They were a group of computer buffs who used to meet every Thursday evening.

5 Digital native - a person who was born or has grown up since the use of digital technology became common and so is familiar and comfortable with computers and the Internet