

The Future Face of Technology

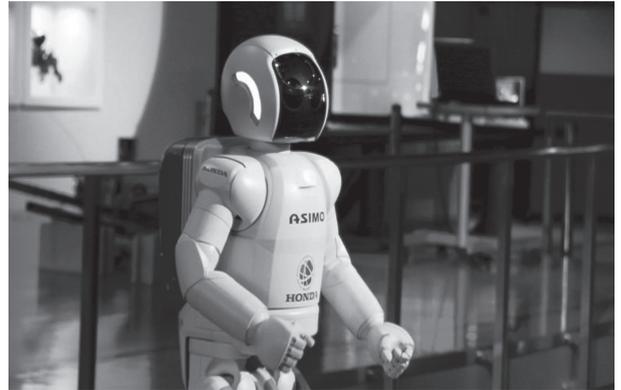
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Before you watch

1 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

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Do you ¹ know where the word 'robot' comes from? Czech writer Karel Čapek first ² used it. In 1920, Čapek ³ wrote a play called R.U.R. (Rossum's Universal Robots). The play was the story of a group of robots who ⁴ fought against the human beings they had to work for. Čapek ⁵ created the word 'robot' from the Czech word 'robota', which means work that powerful people make other poorer and weaker people do.



While you watch

2 Watch the first part of the video (up to 00:32) and complete the text with the correct nouns.

Look at these two ¹ men. What looks the same? What looks different? Now look at their ² faces. And look at their ³ hair – it's the same ⁴ colour, isn't it? And they both have ⁵ glasses. So, what do you think: Are they ⁶ twins?

3 Watch the second part of the video from (00:33 to 01:18). Are the sentences T (True) or F (False)?

- 1 The man on the left is a professor in the USA. F
- 2 The man on the right is a robot. T
- 3 Professor Ishiguro's friend designed the robot. F
- 4 Professor Ishiguro wanted a robot to teach some of his classes. T

4 Watch the final part of the video (from 01:19). Match the sentence halves.

- 1 He created a many of the things people can do.
- 2 He designed b a class in a different city.
- 3 The robot is teaching c a way to communicate with the robot.
- 4 Robots can do d a great robot.

After you watch

5 Work with a partner. Discuss the following statements.

- 1 Robots are dangerous.
- 2 We should spend less time and money on technology.
- 3 It is more important to give everybody in the world food and water than to design robots.

Students' own answers