

READING AND LISTENING UNIT 11 (PAGE 108)

a) Read the summaries of three science fiction stories. For each one complete the information in the chart.

	<i>Robur the Conqueror</i>	<i>Star Trek</i>	<i>Blade Runner 2049</i>
First created		1966	
Main character	Robur		
Time setting			2049

b) Read the summaries again. Which sentence matches each summary? Write R (*Robur the Conqueror*), S (*Star Trek*), or B (*Blade Runner 2049*).

- 1 People want to discover new worlds.
- 2 The main character is a kind of policeman.
- 3 The main character wants to show he has the best machine.
- 4 A character has to find people that are like him.
- 5 A character takes some people on a trip around the world.
- 6 The characters are often in danger.

c) Some of the imaginary inventions in these stories are things we have now. Which four of these inventions were predicted in the stories? Write YES or NO.

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| 1 3-D printers | 5 helicopters |
| 2 cell phones | 6 wireless headphones |
| 3 jet airplanes | 7 drone ads |
| 4 contactless payment | 8 driverless cars |

d) Listen. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F). Correct the false sentences.

- 1 Robur's *Albatross* moves easily in a similar way to a helicopter.
- 2 Igor Sikorsky designed the first helicopter in Russia.
- 3 After the first *Star Trek* TV series, they only made *Star Trek* movies
- 4 Many *Star Trek* fans prefer the first TV series to the movies.
- 5 The *Blade Runner* movies are set in the future, but they make us think about our lives today.
- 6 The *Blade Runner* movies show a future world that is tidy and well organized.