Let's talk about TECHNOLOGY

Conversation cards

What do you think of when you hear the world technology? Brainstorm. Discuss in group.

In your opinion, which invention has had the greatest impact on society in the last 100 years? Explain your choice.

Which modern invention could you not live without? Explain your choice.

What are the 3 greatest inventions of all time? Work in group. Make a list. Compare your ideas.

What things should never have been invented? Brainstorm and discuss in group.

You are stranded on a desert island. What would you wish you had with you? Explain why.

How has technology changed the workplace? Explain.

Has technology had any impact on education? In what way?

How has technology changed on medical care? Technology has revolutionized transport. Explain.

Has technology ever *let you down?* (= disappointed you by not working properly) What happened?

Do computers save time or do they just make us waste more time? Discuss. Take a vote.

Does technology (or the use thereof) ever *get on your nerves?* (= irritate or annoy you) Explain and give examples.

How has technology improved our daily lives? Give examples and explain the advantages of technological advances.

Is technological advance always for the better? Can you think of any disadvantages of technology?

'Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic.' Do you agree? Give some examples.

What could never be replaced by technology? Explain why not.

What would you like to see invented in the future? Explain why.

'Modern technology owes ecology an apology.' What does this mean? Do you agree?

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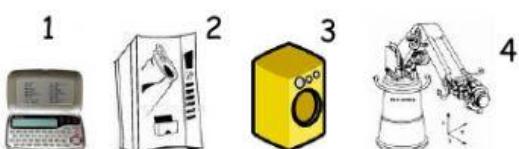
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My invention

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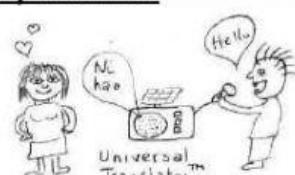
Description

The Universal Translator™ is a machine that can translate instantly one spoken language into another. This device will make travel and international business much easier, as well as relationships between people and countries worldwide. It is powered by solar cells that will last a lifetime. Software provided for 200 languages. Will be available soon in miniaturized pocket version.

Your invention

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