Read the text and answer the followed questions.

*Cyborg *anthropologist Amber Case says that today, most people are like cyborgs. She says that although we are human, we are also part machine. We're part machine because we rely on technology so much.

Computers and phones do a lot of our thinking for us. For example, they work out calculations, they correct what we write, they even predict what we want to say and finish our words. Artificial intelligence, or AI, is very close to human intelligence, and some say AI is even more intelligent than many humans. So, if we are cyborgs, what is a machine that has human abilities and features? A robot?

Robots, or robotic are machines, build and assemble things in factories. They are digitally programmed to do specific jobs, like put together the parts of a car. These robots do the same task over and over again. They can do jobs that humans used to do, but they are not like humans at all. They are just very fancy tools.

However, scientists are making new kinds of robots. These robots are programmed to act like humans. Some even look like humans. One day in future they can communicate with us and do many different tasks. The purpose of some of these robots is to take over human jobs in our homes, schools and at work. For example, there are robots that can babysit, take care of old people, and take and deliver food orders. Someday, robots may even be able to cook our meals and fold our laundry!

Human-like robots do not fit the definition of the *'calm technology' Amber talks about. Instead of working quietly in the background, these human-like robots will constantly be around us. Will the jobs these robots do improve our lives? Will their constant interruptions to our private lives be worth it? Will the AI these robots use become indispensable and even replace human intelligence one day? We may have to try living with one before we know for sure.

Activity 1: Read each statement. Then tick T for True or F for False. Re-write the false statements to make them true.

	True	False
1. Robots are part human and part machine.	☐	☐
2. Robots have the ability to take care of people.	☐	☐
3. Someday, we will be able to communicate with robots.	☐	☐
4. Human-like robots are a kind of 'calm technology'.	☐	☐

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Activity2: Answer the following questions.

Why does Amber think that we as human are part machines?

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How do computers and phones do a lot of our thinking? Give two examples.

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