


## READING: FUTURE HUMANS

1) Read and listen to the text and complete the blank spaces with the words you hear.


# FACES OF THE FUTURE

Humans have \_\_\_\_\_ and changed through the ages and, unless a catastrophe \_\_\_\_\_ the Earth, we'll probably survive and continue to change. Scientists are already saying that children born now might live until they're 150. Further into the future, perhaps people won't die but simply buy new body parts as they get older!


**What other changes are possible in the years ahead?**




**1 Homo Informaticus** If we continue to use computers and screens more and more, our eyes and brains will probably get bigger in order to \_\_\_\_\_ more information.




**2 Neo-humans** If there's a terrible war or an \_\_\_\_\_ survivors might leave the cities and live in caves. They'll become stronger, hairier and more agile.



**3 Homo Perfectus** If scientists \_\_\_\_\_ human genes, will some people pay to have children who are better looking, healthier and more intelligent than 'normal' humans?



**4 Cyborgs** Soldiers of the future might be part human, part \_\_\_\_\_ with super-strong body parts, auto-zoom eyes and a brain connected by \_\_\_\_\_ to super computers.



**5 Space humans** If Earth gets too crowded, humans will \_\_\_\_\_ other planets. If they adapt to a different atmosphere and gravity on another planet, they won't look the same as humans on Earth.

2) Read the article again. Match the paragraphs 1-5 with the pictures A-E. Drag the names of the HUMANS and drop them in the correct picture.

3) Read or listen to the text again and answer these questions. Choose the correct answer.

- Who might live to be 100 years old?      Neo-Humans      children born now
- What will probably cause our brains to get bigger.      Using computers and screens  
Using cell phones and laptops
- What will people possibly do as the result of an epidemic or war?      They'll live in caves  
They'll live in other planets
- How will children from the future be different from now?      better looking and more intelligent  
Healthier and stronger
- What might happen if Earth gets overcrowded?      Humans will die  
Humans will colonize other planets