

## LISTENING WORKSHOP

**Content aim:** Professors will be able to distinguish certain characteristics of an electronic device

Professors will be able to judge whether an electronic device will have a positive or negative impact in our future society

**Language aim:** Professors will be able to demonstrate the appropriate use of expressions in order to show agreement and disagreement

**Outcome:** Speaking skill: To carry out a debate to evaluate the pros and cons of introducing a new idea.

- I. Think about the most important invention of the last years. Discuss with your class what it could be and your reasons.

Useful language to express opinions

*I think/believe/consider the most important invention of the last years is....*

*because it has/provides/gives the opportunity to*

- II. Watch the video about GLOWFORGE THE 3D LASER PRINTER and fill in the following chart with key words related to each category.

Personalize stuff	Leather	You can use it with MAC	You replicate objects
Wood	Cut holes with precision	Paper	chocolate
Assemble great things	Resize designs		
clothes	You can use your PC and drag your design	Recycled cardboard	

The materials it works with	Different functionalities	How it works with other gadgets

- III. Watch the video and decide if the statements are True (T) or False (F). Write T or F on the line.

- You don't always need a model in order to have the printed version of it. \_\_\_\_\_
- This printer can be useful in your laboratories with your students. \_\_\_\_\_
- With gadgets like this, eventually some occupations will become less needed. \_\_\_\_\_

- IV. You are in the creative team of Glowforge and you have received several mails from people worried about the future of their fields since many of them work on hand-made occupations. You have decided to have a meeting to discuss the pros and cons of this product before replying these people. Participate actively on the discussion attending the role the teacher gave to you.

**Useful language**

**-Introducing your idea**

*First of all...*

*To begin with...*

*You also have to consider...*

*I think /believe/consider*

**Show agreement**

*I disagree/agree with you  
because*

*Don't you think is better to...*

*Wouldn't you agree that...*

*That's right because...*

**-Talk about pros and cons**

*One disadvantage/advantage  
is...*

*Some  
disadvantages/advantages are...*

*The problem is...*

*On the other hand...*