

# Reading Comprehension Worksheet: The World in 2050

## Reading

Read the text and answer the questions.

### Future Predictions

Experts believe that life in the future will be very different. Companies will create eco-friendly self-driving cars. These cars will run on electricity instead of petrol and will produce less pollution. They will also communicate with traffic lights and other vehicles to prevent accidents.

Scientists will discover new medicines that can treat many diseases. As a result, people will live longer and healthier lives.

People will use more clean energy, such as hydropower and wind power. This energy will not harm the environment. Buildings may even clean themselves and help reduce smog.

Humans will colonize the Moon and learn how to live on other planets.

However, there may also be some problems. The world's population will rise to around 9 billion people. Because of this, there may not be enough food for everyone.

Many animals will become extinct because they will lose their habitats and food sources.

There may also be less water available for drinking, cooking, and washing. Water could become much more expensive.

Finally, temperatures on Earth will rise, causing more extreme weather conditions such as hurricanes and tsunamis.

## Part A: Vocabulary Match

Match the words with their meanings.

Word	Meaning
1. Pollution	a. A place where animals live
2. Disease	b. Dirty or harmful substances in the environment
3. Habitat	c. A serious illness
4. Extinct	d. No longer existing
5. Colonize	e. To settle and live in a new place

## Part B: True or False

Write **T** for True or **F** for False.

1. Self-driving cars will use petrol. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Future medicines will help treat many diseases. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. People will use less clean energy in the future. \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Humans may live on the Moon. \_\_\_\_\_
  5. The population will decrease to 5 billion people. \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Some animals may become extinct. \_\_\_\_\_
  7. Water could become more expensive. \_\_\_\_\_
  8. Extreme weather may become more common. \_\_\_\_\_
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## Part C: Multiple Choice

Choose the correct answer.

1. Future cars will run on:
  - a) Coal
  - b) Petrol
  - c) Electricity
2. New medicines will help people:
  - a) Live longer
  - b) Drive better
  - c) Travel faster
3. Which is an example of clean energy?
  - a) Wind power
  - b) Petrol
  - c) Gasoline
4. Where might humans live in the future?
  - a) Under the sea
  - b) On the Moon
  - c) Inside volcanoes
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6. Why might many animals become extinct?
    - a) Too much rain
    - b) Lack of food and habitats
    - c) Better medicine
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## Part D: Short Answer Questions

Answer in complete sentences.

1. How will self-driving cars help the environment?

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2. Why will people live longer?

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3. What kinds of clean energy are mentioned in the text?

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4. Why might there not be enough food for everyone?

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5. What kinds of extreme weather are mentioned?

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## Part E: Critical Thinking

1. Which future prediction do you think is the most exciting? Why?

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2. Which future problem worries you the most? Why?

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## Part F: Writing Activity

Write **5 sentences** about your predictions for the year 2050. Use **will** or **won't**.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_