

WILL A ROBOT TAKE YOUR JOB?

How is it that you'll your job to a robot? 
According to Toby Walsh, a professor of Artificial Intelligence, it's hard to think of a job that a computer able to do. There are already some where all the work is done by robots, and there will certainly be more in the future. But what about teachers, engineers, and electricians? A team at Oxford University studied 350 different professions and that 35 percent of UK jobs go to robots in the next 20 years. In particular, work that is repetitive¹ or handling small objects will be at risk of automation.² On the other hand, jobs that involve helping other people or having original ideas will always need people. So journalists, nurses, engineers, and teachers won't be , but clerical workers and may not be so lucky. The Oxford study gives the probability for each of the 350 jobs. Electricians (65 percent) are more at risk than taxi drivers (57 percent). One global taxi company says driverless taxis will be on every street corner . , a for London taxi drivers isn't convinced. "It won't happen. will never be able to work on roads at the same time as normal vehicles."

¹repetitive (adj) /rɪ'petətɪv/ repeating the same thing in the same way many times

²automation (n) /ɔ:tə'mæɪʃən/ the use of machines to do tasks automatically