

(21) HOW DOES TECHNOLOGY AFFECT US?

ACTIVITY 1: Decide on an answer for each topic.

Best inventions		
Medicine	Which drug, therapy, or medical device is most important because of its life-saving properties?	_____
Transportation	Which invention in the history of transportation most revolutionized how we travel?	_____
Safety	Which practical invention most helped to make the world a safer place?	_____
At home	Which appliance at home most improved your quality of life?	_____
Electronics	Which portable electronic device do you consider to be the most indispensable?	_____
Everyday life	Which simple non-electronic invention makes the biggest difference in your everyday life?	_____

ACTIVITY 2: Check the columns of the table to show your opinion.

	practical	portable	life-saving	environmentally-friendly	indispensable
the wheel	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
planes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
smartphones	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
toothbrushes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
scissors	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

ACTIVITY 3: Read the [text](#) and answer the questions.

1. What's the author's opinion of body technology?

2. Which future technology does the author think might be a problem? Why?

3. Which new technology does the author consider particularly important?

4. Which five applications of technology were still not possible when the author wrote the article?

ACTIVITY 4: Study the prefixes below and find words in the article that begin with them.

micro-		re-	
bio-		anti-	
inter-		pre-	
super-		nano-	

ACTIVITY 5: Which prefix in activity 4 can you add to each of the words below?

	market		social
	medical		technology
	national		view
	play		wave

ACTIVITY 6: Match the technology words below with the descriptions.

3D PRINTED PARTS	BCI	BIONIC LIMBS	EXOSKELETON
NANOROBOTS	SMART CONTACT LENSES		

1. These body parts can be controlled by thought alone. _____
2. These are produced by using human cells. _____
3. These could soon help you see in the dark. _____
4. This device can help disabled people to walk. _____
5. This device enables the brain to connect with a computer.

6. In the future, these tiny devices may destroy viruses in our bodies.
