

Reading: The world in 2050

Name: _____

Group: _____

Exercise 1: Read the following predictions about the world in 2050 and say if you agree or disagree with each of them.

Prediction	Do you agree?	
People won't get sick anymore.	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
Humans will obtain resources from out of the Earth.	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
More people will be multilingual.	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
Wars will disappear.	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
Global warming will be one of the main world problems.	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
Humankind won't have any problems	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
Food will be a problem because of the many people on our planet.	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree
We will travel to other planets	Yes, I agree	No, I disagree

Exercise 2: Read the following text and say if Samuel, Lea and Steven feel optimistic or pessimistic about the world in 2050.

Person	How do they feel about 2050?	
Samuel	Optimistic	Pessimistic
Lea	Optimistic	Pessimistic
Steven	Optimistic	Pessimistic

Exercise 3: Read the text again and select who says the following predictions about the year 2050.

Prediction	Who says that?		
More people will be multilingual.	Samuel	Lea	Steven
Wars will disappear.	Samuel	Lea	Steven
Food will be a problem because of the many people on our planet.	Samuel	Lea	Steven
Humans will obtain resources from out of the Earth.	Samuel	Lea	Steven
People will live more years than we do now	Samuel	Lea	Steven
We will travel to other planets	Samuel	Lea	Steven
Global warming will be one of the main world problems.	Samuel	Lea	Steven
People won't get sick anymore.	Samuel	Lea	Steven
Humankind won't have any problems	Samuel	Lea	Steven
We will have only one president who will rule all the world.	Samuel	Lea	Steven

Read the texts and do the exercises



Samuel, 27

I think a lot of things will change in 2050. India will overtake China as the first largest economy in the world, but the country will have many problems with its demographics. The world will also have a lot of problems with the pollution and the climate changing. We will need to find other resources, because there will be more than nine billion people on

Earth in 2050. We will also need to build spaceships to travel to the Moon and to Mars, because we will have to take resources from these places.

Lea, 25

Our world won't be the same in 2050. We will improve our technology and everybody will be able to speak at least five languages. People will live longer and we won't have health problems, because we will improve our knowledge on medicine. We will also live in peace and the different countries won't have nuclear weapons anymore. We will also have a single world government as we already have the *IMF (International Monetary Fund)*. I think 2050 will be a great year for mankind!



Steven, 29

I hope that the world countries will be able to overcome the different issues in 2050. We will live in peace and won't have any wars anymore. We will be able to explore the space and to find other habitable planets. We will perhaps find other intelligent Beings on other planets in 2050.

