Topic

Conversation for Advanced

**Lesson 7
Artificial Intelligence**

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How do you imagine the world 50 years from now?

In this lesson, we will learn about
artificial intelligence:

- read an article about artificial intelligence;

- learn words and expressions about artificial intelligence in the passage;

- share your opinions about the impacts artificial intelligence to human lives.

Key words:
1. computer science
2. spam filters
3. prevalent
4. drawback
5. domain
6. counterpart
7. interference
8. enslave

Reading

Read the passage and pay attention to the key words.

Artificial intelligence is a wide field of computer science concerned with creating smart machines capable of performing tasks that normally require human intelligence. From the development of self-driving cars, smart assistants such as Siri and Alexa, email spam filters, smart home devices, and emerging innovations such as screenless video and advanced robotics, AI is becoming more prevalent in everyday life.

According to an Ipsos survey for the World Economic Forum, about 60% believe that AI-powered products and services will make their lives easier. But will it make life better? Those surveyed were less certain, with only 52% believing that products and services based on artificial intelligence have more advantages than drawbacks.

Comprehension Check:
1. According to the passage, what is artificial intelligence?
2. How many percent of people believe that AI makes their lives easier?

AI can help reduce human error and is available at all times. We can use it to make machines work 24 hours a day. Furthermore, AI is also powering many inventions in almost every domain, which will assist humans in solving the majority of complex problems.

However, every bright side has a darker counterpart. With its advanced features, AI is making humans lazy, with most work becoming automated. As AI replaces robots for the majority of repetitive tasks and other manual labor, human interference is decreasing. This will cause a significant problem in employment standards.

Comprehension Check:
3. In what ways can AI help people?
4. How can AI be a problem to employment standards?

The benefits of artificial intelligence are indeed enormous. The key for humans will be to prevent the "rise of the robots" from becoming out of control. Some argue that artificial intelligence can destroy human civilization if it falls into the wrong hands. Nonetheless, none of the AI applications created at that scale can destroy or **enslave** humanity.

Comprehension Check:
5. What is the role of humans in the rise of AI?
6. What do some people argue about regarding AI?

❑ Write <u>TRUE</u> if the statement is true and <u>FALSE</u> if it is not.

_____ 1. Artificial Intelligence is a wide field of computer science.

_____ 2. Email spam filters, screenless videos, and advanced robotics are few examples of home appliances.

_____ 3. AI powers many inventions in today's world.

_____ 4. AI helps reduce human error.

_____ 5. Due to AI's advanced features, work has become automated resulting to people becoming lazy.

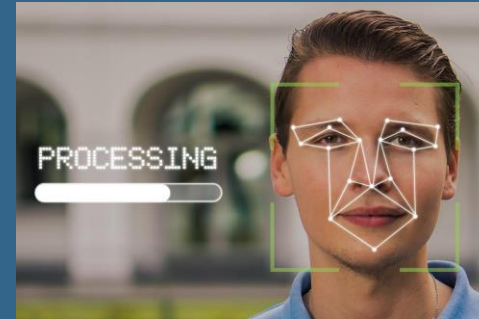_____ 6. It is essential for humans to support the "rise of robots" becoming out of control.

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Smart Home Devices

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Advanced Robotics

❑ Which of these AI-powered products have you used before?

❑ In your opinion, what is the best benefit that AI can give to people?

❑ Would you like the future to have more AI-controlled products/ services?

Why or why not?

Some argue that if artificial intelligence falls into the wrong hands, it can destroy human civilization. Nonetheless, none of the AI applications created at that scale can destroy or enslave humanity.

❑ Talk about the advantages and disadvantages of artificial intelligence.

You may use some of the words you learned.

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Your opinion...

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