

### **ENGLISH**

Chapter 4
Session A





Welcome to the Future!



# Negative

## Prefixes



### FACING THE FUTURE

WDYT?
(What do you think?)

What changes would you like to see in the future?



#### **Describing products**

Look at the words in the box. Which adjectives form a negative with prefixes un- or im-? What is the opposite of the others?

comfortable easy-to-use handy/useful high quality innovative practical reasonable reliable wearable well-made

uncomfortable impractical unreasonable unreliable unwearable hard/difficult-to-use useless low quality old-fashioned badly-made

- 2 10 Listen to Oscar talking to Mia about useful devices and answer the questions.
  - 1 What's her latest device? a speaker
  - Which device would Oscar like to see in the future? a cell phone which projects videos
  - Which of the words in exercise 1 do they use?

    Handy, easy to use, unreliable, low quality, hard to use

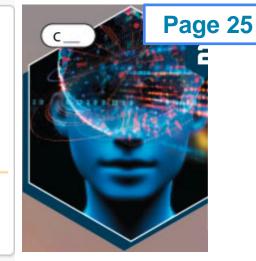
### Changes

4 © Check the meanings of the words and phrases in bold in the quiz. Then match questions 1–4 with images A–D.

The fourth industrial revolution will bring mind-blowing changes in areas like artificial intelligence and nanotechnology. Will you be able to let go of the past and embrace the new?

NO What's wrong with old-fashioned things anyway? YES Sure! I can adapt to any new circumstances!





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Given the major breakthroughs in space exploration, are you ready to travel to Mars?

NO I don't travel well anyway.

YES I'll take the risk. I imagine there'll be a sharp rise in bookings!





Are you eager to get your motorcycle or driver's license?

NO With the age of driverless vehicles fast approaching, is it worth it?

YES I may still need to take control of the vehicle if something unexpected happens.

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Advances in DNA technology are great for the safety of our society.

NO This technology is evolving rapidly; who knows what scientists will do next and at what cost?

YES It means we can catch criminals more easily through fingerprints or skin particles.





### **6** Complete the table with the words in the quiz.

Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives
a (real) struggle circumstances breakthroughs rise advances	welcome let go embrace adapt evolving	mind-blowing eager fast approaching unexpected

7 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

fast major new real sharp

- 1 I find switching over to a new mobile device a real struggle.
- 2 I'm sure we'll see a **Sharp** rise in the use of electric vehicles.
- 3 Quantum computers will be a <u>Major</u> breakthrough – computers will be faster than ever.
- 4 Some people say the age of digital money is <u>fast</u> approaching.
- With so many changes, we'll all have to adapt to <u>New</u> circumstances.

- Are you <u>eager</u> to try a driverless vehicle? Why/Why not?
- 2 Do you know anyone who finds learning to use new technology a real struggle? Is it easy to help them?
- 3 How would you like mobile devices to evolve in the future?
- 4 People say that there have been some mind-blowing changes in technology this century. Do you agree?
- What do you think the next technological advance will be? Will youembrace it? Why/Why not?

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- 1 This video uses a timeline throughout. Why?
- 2 There are lots of images in this video. Why do you think this is?