**CRYPTOCURRENCY**

**https://youtu.be/v0V\_zkng4go**

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| **Topic** | **Positive** | **Negative** |
| **Energy Use** | Encourages us to build more energy efficient producers  40% comes from renewables  Using up wasted energy  Everything uses energy what matters is the product | Consumes a lot of electricity   * Mining bitcoin and Argentina use equal power   Tons of energy and waste contribute climate change |
| **Risk** | Innovation  Detaching money from big institutions that screw it up  Money is turning digital, don’t have to trust a bank / gov | Lots of predatory behavior and scams  People buy whatever based off of hype  Similar to gambling and casino psychology  Big tech wants you to buy to make more money |
| **Centralized Control** | Web3 – don’t have to be bound by big tech  Tokens help remove middlemen  Owned and governed by the users  Your info & assets are stored in one place very securely | Need crypto exchanges aka 3rd party company if you want to avoid hacking |
| **The Future** |  |  |
| **Your Opinion:**  Blockchain feels like and sounds like a really good idea to store information, eliminate the middle man, as well as simplify transactions but as he said in the video I feel like we just need to wait and see what technology comes along with it and if it can really be a viable replacement for big tech, banks, and the government | | |
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