Activity 2: Issues in Technology
Think-Pair-Share Podcast

Watch the movie entitled "Transcendence" and create a 4 to 7-minute video with your partner explaining your ideas on the following questions:

1. Will Caster's ultimate goal is to solve all of humanity's problems: cleaning the environment, curing disease, and ending suffering. Are these goals inherently good? At what point do his actions cross an ethical line from scientific progress to playing God?
2. Will's dying words to Evelyn are, "Don't lose yourself." What does this phrase mean in the context of the movie? Did Evelyn lose herself in her pursuit of the AI Will? Did the uploaded Will, in his pursuit of "transcendence," lose his humanity?
3. Which outcome—the loss of individual self to a benevolent AI (Singularity) or the return to a world without modern technology (collapse)—do you believe the film suggests is the true danger to the human spirit?

Notes:
1. The pair you will be working with in this activity will be randomly selected by your instructor.
2. The pair should show that they both share their individual ideas in answering the above questions.
3. The video during the discussions must be raw and uncut.
4. Speak in English. If you struggle mid-sentence, you may use a few vernacular words.

Kindly submit a link to your work to your respective chat group or STS Google Classroom. The deadline will be provided by your instructor.

Rubric for rating your work on Video:

Subject/Content

- Provides insight of the topic. (10 pts max.)
- The answers are discussed thoroughly. (10 pts max.)
- Students demonstrate thoughtful approach in discussing the topic. (10 pts max.)
- Presents interesting information and/or reactions. (5 pts max.)
- Language is used properly and effectively. (5 pts max.)

Content Score _____ out of 40

Technical Aspects

- Camera is stable, smooth movements and pans, subject is lit and clearly visible (2 pts max.)
- Student(s) behave professionally on camera (2 pts max.)
- Sound is clear and understandable (2 pts max.)
- Time limit is strictly followed (2 pts max.)
- Project was completed in a timely manner (2 pts max.)

Technical aspects Score _____ out of 10

Total Score: _____ out of 50