1. I think virtual reality has the potential to do more harm than good. As of today, virtual and augmented reality are still in the fairly early stages of life when it comes to tech. They are just now starting to become mainstream with products like the Oculus Quest 2, made by meta. Companies like Facebook are making virtual reality more mainstream by releasing vr products under their name, which gets the product out to more people. The reason this tech might do more harm than good in the future relates to the "Metaverse". Facebook (meta) has already announced the final stages of development for the metaverse, and possibly 10 years in the future, this could become a problem. There are already people spending millions of dollars on NFTs in the metaverse, which could lead to inflation or other money problems in the future. The other problem I see is that everyone could become so attached to their virtual world that they forget about the real one. Problems like climate change and global warming would be forgotten. Now, I personally do not think that virtual reality would take over our world this quickly, but if it advances so far that the virtual world feels real, it would certainly do more harm than good.

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2. It was really hard for me to think of an experience like this since it is oddly specific. However, one of my classmates in middle school was collecting information on communist beliefs through a website called "Fourchan". Now, for a middle schooler to be doing this was a bit questionable, and I don't even know if this answers the question exactly but this is the closest thing I could think of. Additionally, he would express the information he learned to other classmates sometimes, which, again, is a bit questionable.

3. What else struck you about this article? The excerpt regarding facial recognition doing more harm than good for the world really struck me. I believe that the only benefit of facial recognition is that it is slightly faster than inputting a password or code, other than that, your phone is surveying you daily. This is a big problem in China, as mentioned in the article, where they are storing images of people's faces taken from security cameras around the country. They are currently having a privacy crisis with the xiaomi phones, which use facial recognition. It really made me think about how many apps use my face instead of a password, and if I should not allow it.