

Read the passages in the insert and then answer **all** the questions which follow below. Note that up to fifteen marks will be given for the quality and accuracy of your use of English throughout this paper.

NOTE: When a question asks for an answer **IN YOUR OWN WORDS AS FAR AS POSSIBLE** and you select the appropriate material from the passages for your answer, you must still use your own words to express it. Little credit can be given to answers which only copy words or phrases from the passages.

1 What point is the author making when he refers to 'Star Trek science fiction' (lines 3-4)?

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2 In what ways has liberal eugenics 'extended and enhanced' human life (line 10)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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3 The author comments on Leon Kass' summary of the greatest biological advances of our time (lines 13-17) by saying Kass 'was not offering this as a joyous hymn of praise. No – he was offering it as a condemnation.' (lines 17-18). Select two pieces of evidence from Kass' quote to show that he was condemning the biological advances of our time. Justify your choices.

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4 What does the author's use of 'decent' imply about his opponents (line 23)?

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6. Using material from paragraphs 4 and 5, summarise the criticisms of liberal eugenics and the author's arguments in response to them.

Write your summary in **not more than 150 words**, not counting the opening words which are given below. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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Deleted: 5, account for and assess the implications of the shift from communities of requirement to communities of choice.

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7. What do the egalitarian critics mean by 'the idea of human equality will...melt in the biotech labs' (line 69). Use your own words as far as possible.

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8. Identify two words or phrases from lines 81 to 84 that the author uses to reinforce his argument that the new technologies are 'motivated by love not hate' (line 81-82). Explain each of your choices.

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9. Give the meaning of the following words as they are used in the passage. You may write your answer in one word or a short phrase.

a) unveiled (line 2) [1]

b) pioneering (line 19) [1]

c) prevailed (line 26) [1]

d) irreparably (line 32) [1]

e) random (line 68) [1]

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10. Johann Hari takes a strong stand in support of liberal eugenics. How convincing do you find his arguments in light of your own experience and knowledge?

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¶ John Armstrong claims that whether we find someone beautiful is predominantly guided by other inclinations that evolved in humans over time.¶

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hat does the writer mean when he writes that “you can abandon divine creation of species without abandoning the argument from design” (lines 3-4)?

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“webs of relationships” (line 11) suggests about communities.

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In what way are human individuals “the most formidable threats to (the) reproductive destiny” (lines 10-11) of other human beings? **U**

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Based on paragraph 4, explain how communities on the World Wide Web do not embrace the paradox of community.

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the role of the individual in sustaining the paradox of “individualism and connectedness”.

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Explain the writer's metaphorical use of 'investment' in paragraph 4 with regard to

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(i) women and

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What is the writer's intention in inserting quotation marks for some words in lines 26 to 30? What arguments does the writer use to overturn the view that "the evolved preference was for healthy partners and safe habitats" (lines 36-37)? **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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Why does the writer enclose certain words within quotation marks in lines 25 - 30?

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Summarise in about 1520 words what these characteristics are and also the reasons why men and women rely on them to help them choose their partner. Refer to Passage 1 Paragraphs 4 to 56 and Passage 2 Paragraphs 1 to 3. **Use your own words as far as possible.**

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Give the meaning of the following words as they are used in Passage 1 and Passage 2.
You may write your answer in one word or a short phrase.

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- 8 Give the meaning of the following words as they are used in Passage 1 and Passage 2. You may write your answer in one word or a short phrase.

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From Passage 2:

seductive (line 24)

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