

Directions: Answer the following questions based upon your opinions about the future. There is no right or wrong answer. We will discuss your views in class. Be prepared to explain your opinions.

1. If you had to predict, which of the following do you think are likely to occur by 2050?

Which of these developments do you think would be desirable or undesirable?

<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>		<u>DESIRABLE</u>	<u>UNDESIRABLE</u>
_____	_____	Scientists will find a cure for cancer.	_____	_____
_____	_____	The average American will live to be 100.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Automobiles will no longer run on gasoline.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Automobiles will be banned from use.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Computers will be as smart as humans and have personalities like humans.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Humans will make regular trips to other planets.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Beings who live on other planets will come in contact with us.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Average people will live on a space station.	_____	_____
_____	_____	A space colony on the moon or Mars will exist.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Most people will eat food pills instead of regular food.	_____	_____
_____	_____	There will be a pill to increase intelligence.	_____	_____
_____	_____	There will be one world government ruling the entire planet.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Cloning of humans will happen.	_____	_____
_____	_____	New body limbs and organs will be able to be regenerated.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Genetic engineering to eliminate human defects, mental illness & disease will occur.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Humans will be able to select the sex of their children.	_____	_____
_____	_____	The personality and intelligence of people will be able to be controlled by chemical or other means.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Mental telepathy will be used to communicate.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Most human body parts will be replaceable.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Weather will be controlled.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Human colonies will live for extended periods of time under the sea.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Floating cities will house thousands of people.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Most people will work at home.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Most people will work a 3-day work week.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Cryogenic storage (freezing) of humans for future thawing and life will be possible.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Robots will be common in the home.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Time travel will be possible.	_____	_____
_____	_____	Nuclear weapons will be used by a nation or a terrorist group.	_____	_____
_____	_____	All students will learn from home rather than in a school building.	_____	_____