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Writing 421

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• Ever read a novel or watch a film set in the future?
  — What do most of these sorts of novels share?
    • Most paint the future in a most unflattering light.
    • Like the show Revolution on NBC or I Am Legend with Will Smith.
    • What other books or movies show the future in a bad light?

Discuss Your Futures

What do you think the world will be like in the future?
10 Years from Now?
50 Years from Now?
100 Years from Now?
Think About These Areas

- Sports
- Pollution
- Food/Clothing
- Military
- Drugs/Medicine
- Housing
- Entertainment
- Technology
- Education
- Government
- Careers/Jobs
- Economy/Money
- Crime
- Transportation
- Hobbies
- Population
- Relationships/Dating
- Religion

Your Writing Task

- Choose two areas and explore your own thinking on what each area might look like in the future, ten, fifty, and one hundred years from now.
- Come up with at least five or six ideas for each that you can represent either in writing or drawing.
- If you choose to write, you can write in the following styles:
  - Straight reflections
  - First-Person Narratives
  - News Stories from the Future
- If you choose to draw, you must draw several panels.

Final Tasks

The next step is to do a little research about your topics and find out what experts in those particular fields are predicting. That comes later…