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## Speaking and Listening – Discussion

Future Global Challenges

Work with a partner or small group. Print this page onto card, then cut out the cards and lay them face down. Mix them up, then take a card and describe the term for the others to guess. Discuss the different future challenges that the world faces. Which do you fear the most / least? What solutions do you propose?

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1. renewable energy	2. virtual reality	3. robot workers	4. climate change
5. obesity epidemic	6. fake news	7. nuclear war	<sup>8.</sup> nationalism
9. global recession	<sup>10.</sup> rare earth metals	<sup>11.</sup> rapid urban growth	12. species extinction
13. famine	14. cloning	15. flooding	<sup>16.</sup> euthanasia
<sup>17.</sup> declining birth rates	18. rising sea levels	<sup>19.</sup> breakdown of society	<sup>20.</sup> religious fundamentalism
21. water security	22. natural disasters	23. colonising Mars	<sup>24.</sup> globalisation
25. GM food	<sup>26.</sup> Armageddon	27. gene editing	28. pandemic
<sup>29.</sup> sustainable development	30. mass migration	31. fear	32. deforestation
<sup>33.</sup> peak oil	34. gender politics	<sup>35.</sup> artificial intelligence (AI)	36. pollution
<sup>37.</sup> population explosion	38. housing crisis	<sup>39.</sup> unemployment	40. driverless cars