

56 Vocabulary

56.1 TECHNOLOGY AND THE FUTURE

We must **make arrangements** for childcare this weekend.

make arrangements

[plan ahead so that something can happen]



There's no point **having good intentions** if you don't do anything.

have good intentions

[have good or positive plans]



I didn't study for the exam, but I'll **hope for the best!**

hope for the best

[hope for a successful or positive outcome]



The internet **has had an impact on** how we communicate globally.

have an impact on something

[affect something powerfully]



It's **only a matter of time** before someone buys one of my paintings.

only a matter of time

[something that will happen, but it is not possible to say when]



Every December I **make a prediction** about what will happen next year.

make predictions

[say what you think might happen in the future]



He worked hard to **realize his dream** of being a tennis player.

realize a dream

[make a dream or hope real]



My parents **had a big influence on** the type of food I enjoy.

have an influence on something

[change or affect something]



Being able to meet my favorite singer was **a dream come true**.

a dream come true

[something that has been wished for and has now happened]



We will have to wait and see **what the future holds** for us.

what the future holds

[what will happen in the future]



This electric car will save us money **in the long run.**
in the long run
[eventually, after a long time]



Having an internet connection is vital in this **digital age.**

digital age
[an era based on digital information, when technology is dominant]



Her design won an award for technical **innovation.**

innovation
[a new invention or idea]



The internet has seen a **revolution in communication.**

revolution
[a huge change in ideas or methods]



That company is famous for its **cutting-edge design.**

cutting-edge
[extremely modern and innovative]



I really hope this isn't the **shape of things to come.**

the shape of things to come
[the way things are likely to develop in the future]



Have you seen the latest **model of their smartphone?**
It's amazing!

the latest model
[the most recent version of a product]



The team made an important medical **breakthrough.**

breakthrough
[an important discovery or achievement]



She has a new kitchen filled with **state-of-the-art appliances.**

state-of-the-art
[the most modern and up-to-date]



We need to **future-proof the design, not just look at today's market.**

future-proof
[design something to work in the future, even if technology changes]

