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Real-time translation could end need to learn languages

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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New technology could change language learning and communication. Apple's new AirPods Pro 3 earbuds can translate languages in real time. Translations will automatically appear in people's ears and on their screens. This could greatly change the language teaching industry. Instant translation could stop people learning languages. It is an example of how AI is changing jobs. Teachers now fear this might affect their future.

Apple said its earbuds would help people communicate "seamlessly" and overcome language barriers. Users can choose "select languages when messaging or speaking". This is an example of science fiction becoming science fact. Writers have long written about real-time translation tools. The 1979 novel "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" and the Japanese manga "Doraemon" both had novel translation tools.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. change language learning | a. this |
| 2. Translations will automatically | b. and communication |
| 3. change the language teaching | c. is changing jobs |
| 4. instant | d. industry |
| 5. stop people | e. future |
| 6. an example of how AI | f. translation |
| 7. Teachers now fear | g. appear |
| 8. affect their | h. learning languages |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. help people communicate | a. "Doraemon" |
| 2. overcome language | b. choose |
| 3. users can | c. novel |
| 4. select languages when messaging | d. barriers |
| 5. science fiction becoming | e. tools |
| 6. The 1979 | f. science fact |
| 7. the Japanese manga | g. "seamlessly" |
| 8. novel translation | h. or speaking |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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New technology (1) _____ learning and communication. Apple's new AirPods Pro 3 (2) _____ languages in real time. Translations will automatically appear in people's ears and (3) _____. This could greatly change the language teaching industry. (4) _____ stop people learning languages. It is an (5) _____ AI is changing jobs. Teachers now fear this might (6) _____.

Apple said its earbuds would help (7) _____ and overcome language barriers. Users (8) _____ languages when (9) _____. This is an example of science fiction (10) _____. Writers have long written (11) _____ translation tools. The 1979 novel "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy" and the Japanese manga "Doraemon" (12) _____ translation tools.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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REAL-TIME TRANSLATION SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about real-time translation in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____

WRITING

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Write about **real-time translation** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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