

THEME 1 FUTURE JOBS READING SKILL

1. Read the text and complete the sentences

Everybody can name Bill Gates, Steve Jobs or Mark Zuckerberg as the most successful entrepreneurs of the 21st century. They have contributed to the technological developments lately. There is one more name that is so important but not as famous as others. Can you imagine who this person is? He is Elon Musk, one of the most innovative entrepreneurs of our time. Like other entrepreneurs, he always works hard and follows his extraordinary dreams to be successful.

After graduating from the college, he prefers starting up his own business rather than waiting for the other companies to hire him. As he believes that future jobs will be based on Internet, sustainable energy and space colonisation, he starts with his first online companies. He makes his fortune with these two companies and continues to make technological innovations. He thinks that in order to fight against global warming, we should use clean energy sources. With his motor company, he focuses on sustainable energy and electric cars. Maybe his first attempt to send a rocket to the space is a failure, but he never gives up and succeeds after trying four times.

He uses his money to make his science fiction dreams real. He thinks that one day we will have space based Internet, so he plans to launch 4,425 satellites to space (now it is only 4,000). He works on a transportation system called hyperloop as an alternative to planes, trains, boats or cars. After the high-speed transit tubes are completed, it will be the fastest, the cheapest and the eco-friendliest way of travelling. Elon is also known as the most popular space hero because he wants to develop new life areas for human beings on Mars. If he becomes successful in his theory, we will see the oases and colonies on Mars in the future. His company is going to send the first space tourists to fly around the moon in 2018.

Artificial intelligence (AI) is another field that Elon Musk is interested in. His intention is not to make more money, but to keep an eye on the development of AI. Because just like Bill Gates and Stephen Hawking, Elon is afraid that AI will become smarter and give an end to the human life on earth. Certainly, these fears will not stop him from trying as he is visionary.

sustainable energy / transportation system / space colonisation / artificial intelligence / innovative entrepreneur

1. In the future, Mars will be a popular place to live because of _____ .
2. I think one day robots will take control of the world because the studies in _____ develop fast.
3. The governments will reduce the effects of global warming by using _____ .
4. You need to trust yourself to be a / an _____ .
5. Because the population grows rapidly in big cities, we will need a faster _____ .