

Task: Case study on 'What would my preferred AI future look like?'

I used to think _____; now I think _____

- I used to think AI was prominently seen in the form of robots: as in, robots being the only machines that have AI software; now I think that any machine can have AI and use it.
- I used to think; AI was just a mystical thing that I heard about in movies and in the media and I don't understand; now I think that AI is an extremely interesting and complicated area of technology that has so much potential to do good and harm.
- Before this task, and before starting IST, I had a very limited understanding of AI and technology as a whole. I never understood the potential negative implications that the implementation of this branch of artificial intelligence. Now I have understood both the positive and negative implications, but I have also sparked a curiosity within myself in regards to artificial intelligence.
- ... *THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY ASSOCIATED TO ANY FORM OF REPRESENTATION WITHIN AN ASSESSMENT IS DEPENDANT ON ITS CONTENT* when I got to Part B I struggled to compress everything that I had explained and researched within Part A and translate it to a multimedia presentation effectively within the context of a futuristic marvel world.
- I use to think that a case study was just another name for an essay like writing task; now I know that it is different.
- I used to think that working alone is easier than working in groups, now I think that working in groups allows for a further understanding of topics, and I might even learn more because I learn off other people's knowledge in the group and their topics.

How do the ideas and information in the AI topic CONNECT to what you've done previously in IST?

- I now understand why databases are so important.
- One of the biggest developments of my understanding within this topic was the legal and social implications of technological development. I found that looking at the effects of AI's development on a whole from our perspective and the perspective of an industry professional was very beneficial because it presented us with the skills that we will require in the future no matter whether we work in the technology industry or not.
- The ideas and information in the AI topic connect to how technology can be used for many different reasons, and can have implications that arise with it, especially how the usage can be abused and changed.
- ...as I am really interested in AI and its future I found that this task connected with everything else I've seen on this topic through mostly things like dystopian worlds in books, games, and films.

What new ideas did you get that EXTENDED or pushed your thinking in new directions?

- I got new ideas of what cars would look like if AI completely took over driving and controlled the roads. If steering wheels and seats to drive were not needed, what would the interior of a car look like?
- I think that I was extended in this task by having to juggle multiple parts of an assignment with group and individual work all at once. I was also pushed by having to do deeper researching and understand harder concepts than my other subjects. Having a lot of the parts of this assignment being new and pushing me out of my comfort zone has made me learn so much.

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- I am intrigued by the ethical implications that artificial intelligence has on various people, and when I read about the power of artificial intelligence I begin to think about both the positive and the negative impacts of all AI.
- The focus on social and legal implications like said previously is an idea that extended within my consciousness. I personally take a deep interest in politics and through our focus on the effects of AI in both class discussion and the assessment I found that my understanding of politics and technology 'collided' in a sense to form a deeper and more extensive understanding and ability to understand the effects of technology on society.
- A new idea I had that extended my thinking is that technology can revolutionise society, and in some cases can do things better than humans can which I never really thought about before. Hearing about what the industry professional was working on I found very interesting in learning about how predictable some human patterns can be and they can predict what we will type. I think it's very interesting and made me think further about the future for AI on a realistic scale.
- I got new ideas about how AI will impact society from a legal stand point, pushing my thinking to start wondering about possible laws and legal issues that might happen as a result of AI.

What is still CHALLENGING or confusing for you to get your mind around? What questions, wonderings or puzzles do you now have having explored AI?

- I am confused by the amount of artificial intelligence that is being manufactured. We hear about these upcoming technologies, but then we don't hear about them again. I wonder what happens to that artificial intelligence after it has been 'created'.
- What is challenging to understand for me is how the AI in self-driving cars are able to accurately identify what is on the roads and if they might be obstacles or not. I don't have any questions about AI.
- Who will actually be making the decision of where to 'draw the line' metaphorically when it comes to invasion of privacy and will it be the same globally or will each country have different laws?
- I do wonder about the future of AI (specifically conscious AI) and how it will be implemented and used in society, but that is more curiosity and wonder for what is to come.
- I find it so hard to get my mind around the fact that these things that are in movies, humans are managing to make, and it's so hard and so confusing to me as how people would even begin to code and make these things, and how much work and re-trialling goes into it.
- The part of AI that still challenges me is the practical application. Although I understand that no matter what all AI models use databases to operate I would like to have a larger understanding of the back-end of AI (the programming).