

## Sample Discussions

### Pre-reading Part B (p.129)

1. What changes would you like to see technology brings to the world?

A: Technology could greatly improve agricultural **productivity**, for example, using fully **automated machinery** for planting and harvesting. What about you?

B: I hope AI can be fully used in the service industry. Since AI can accurately **identify voice and facial features**, it can improve the efficiency of business operations ...

2. Has technology made us lazy?

A: Today, I'd like to discuss the role of technology in our lives. As we all know, technology has become a big part of our daily **routines**. While there are many benefits of using technology, such as increased efficiency and convenience, there are also potential **downsides** that we need to consider.

B: I don't think technology has made us lazy. Rather, it has provided us with tools that allow us to complete tasks more efficiently. For example, with the help of the internet and online resources, we can quickly **access information** and communicate with others **regardless of** our physical location. This means we have more time to focus on other important activities, such as innovation and exploration.

C: I see your point, but I still believe that technology has made us lazy. We rely more and more on electronic products and spend most of our time in front of screens, **whether it's for work or entertainment**. This **sedentary lifestyle** can **lead to** a lack of physical activity and health problems such as **obesity** and **poor posture**.

D: I understand your concern, but I think it's a matter of balance. While it's true that technology can make us more sedentary, it can also inspire us to be more active. For example, wearable fitness trackers and health apps can **motivate** us to be more physically active. Additionally, technology can provide us with access to online fitness classes and other resources ...