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Future Living

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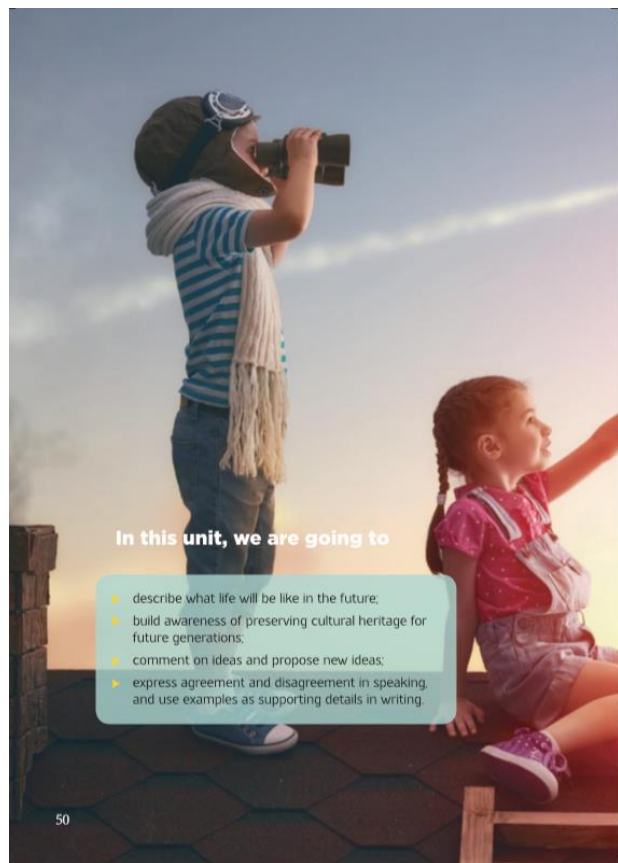
课时	授课内容
1	Getting Started/ Reading A
1	Reading A/ Vocabulary Focus
1	Grammar in Use
1	Listening, Viewing and Speaking
1	Reading B
1	Writing
1	Critical Thinking
1	Further Exploration

学习目标 Learning Objectives：

At the end of the lesson, you will be able to ...

1. 概括出科幻小说的文体特征;
   figure out the organization and the general features of science fiction；

2. 梳理出语篇中对未来生活各个方面的构想；
   sort out all the aspects of future life in the text;

3. 推断作者对未来生活的态度并分享自己的观点。
    infer the author's attitude towards future and share your own opinion.

Make predictions

READING B

robots

future life in 2050

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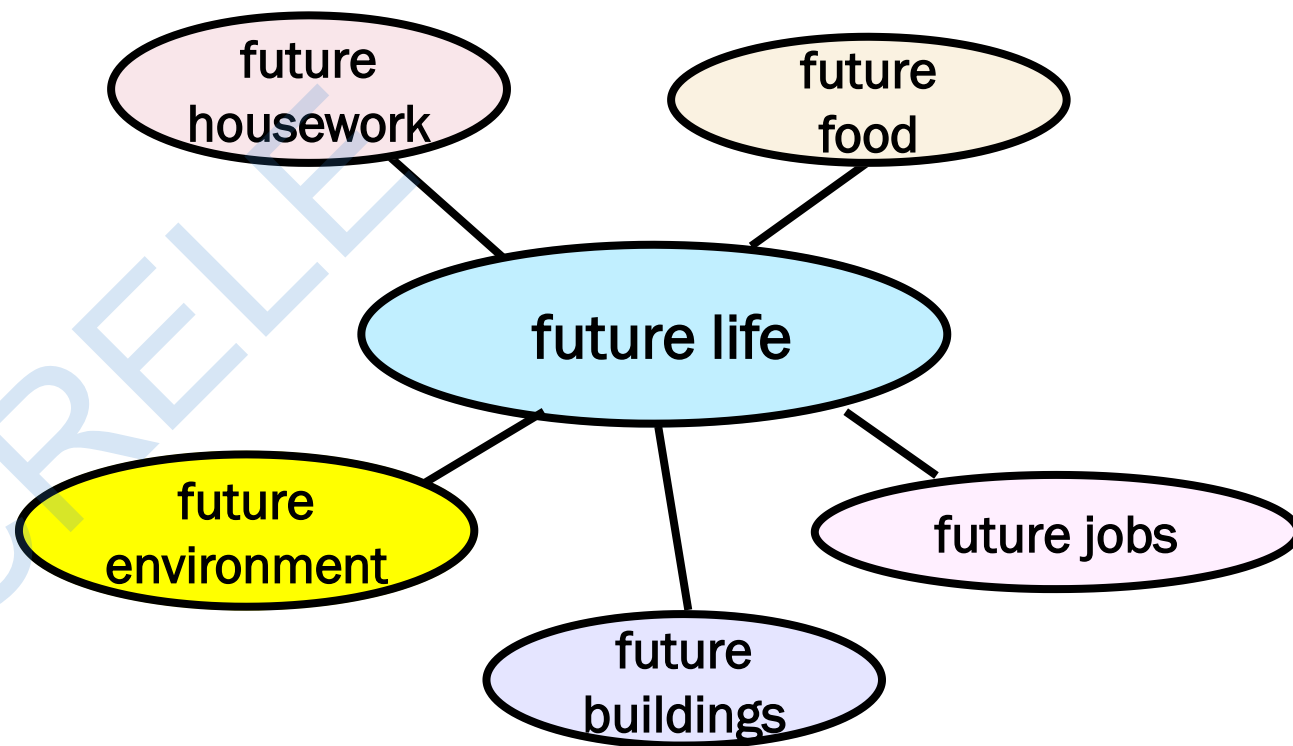
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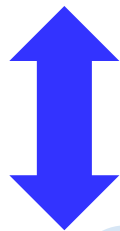
advertise *v.* to tell the public about a product or service in order to encourage people to buy or use it.
advertisement n.

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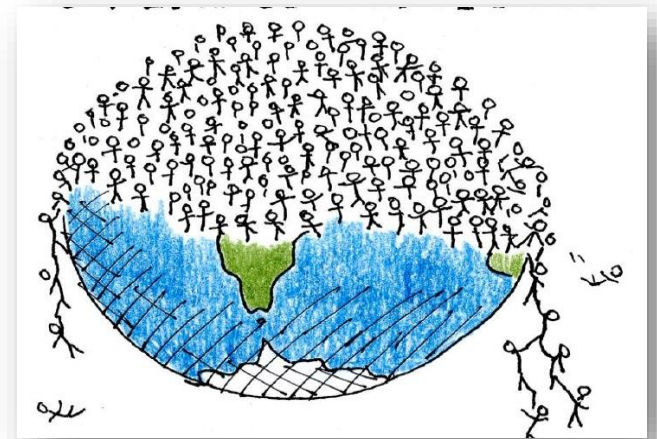convenience

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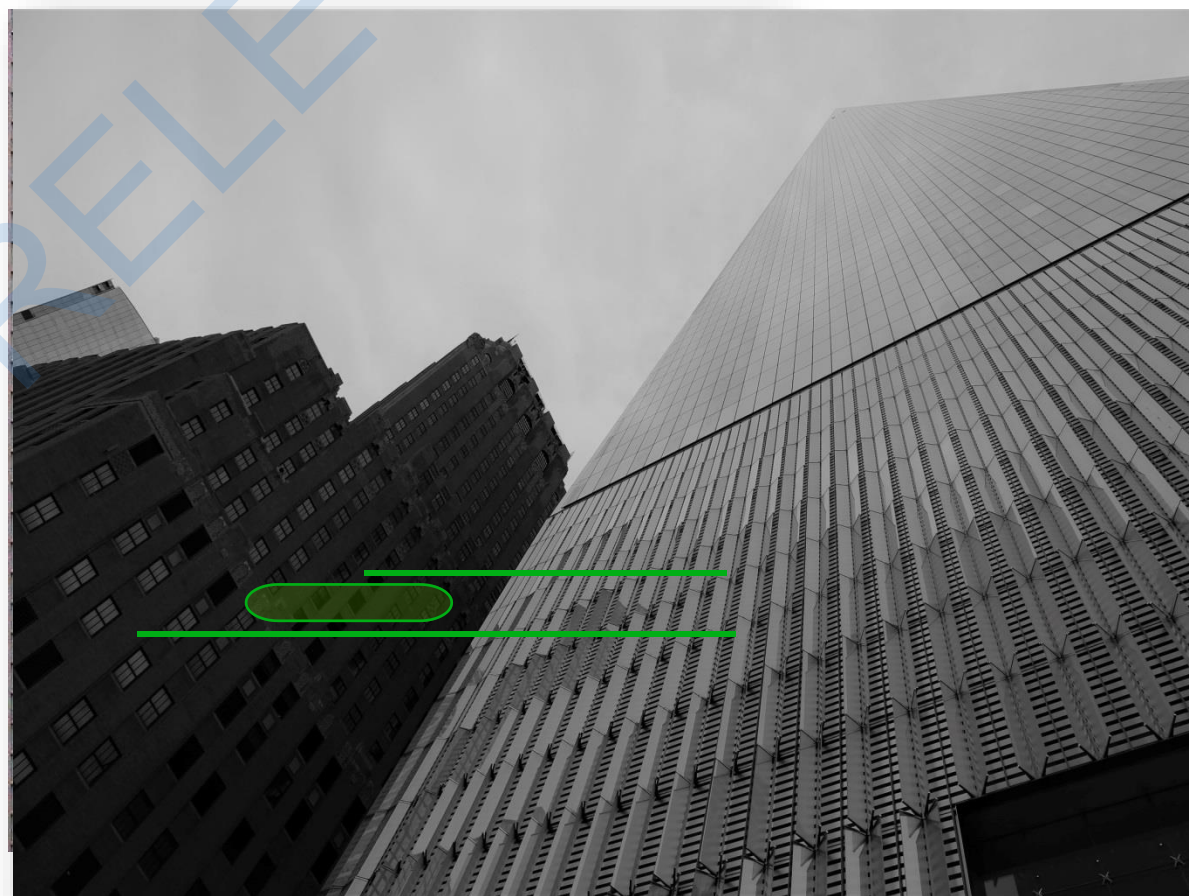**less room of error**

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Recycle v. to treat things that have already been used so that they can be used again.

Discussion

Is the author optimistic or pessimistic about the future ? How did you know that? What's your opinion?

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Assignment

Complete "READING AND VIEWING" on P57-59 in your workbook.