

Out of the Past, Into the Future

The past brought many great things. Many great people. Many great moments. Take Frida Kahlo, George Washington, and Jackie Robinson for example. Or the American Revolution, Apollo 11 landing, and the signing of the Declaration of Independence!

The past also brought with it dark times. Many bad people. Many bad moments. People like Joseph Stalin, John Wilkes Booth, and Adolf Hitler have made a lasting impact on the Earth, but not a good one. The Twin Towers attack, the bombing of Pearl Harbor, and the sinking of the Titanic are all great examples of America's darkest and devastating moments.

The future will bring many things, both good and bad. Flying cars, jetpacks, and robots that can do your laundry! Pollution, suffering, death. The future scares me sometimes.

Some things that our recent history has given us are computers, phones, TVs, smoke alarms, e readers, and much much more.

From the 1900s to 2022 so much has changed. When my great grandparents were kids they didn't have electricity or even indoor plumbing! When my grandparents were kids they didn't have highways or wifi. My parents tell me that when they were kids in the 80s, they fantasized that one day they would be able to see and talk to their friends at the same time. On the 7th of June 2010 the world was introduced to FaceTime.

They used to not have apps like YouTube, Netflix, or Disney Plus. In the 70s, 80s, and early 90s, people had to rent movies from video stores like Blockbuster. People couldn't just log onto their Roku and say "Take me to Netflix and watch The Karate Kid!" They had to drive to the video store, rent the movie, put in a VHS cassette, rewind it, and then return it in a couple days.

Art has always been an important part of history. Famous artists and their work include the Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci or the Angel sculpture by Michelangelo. Of course people these days still use canvases and make sculptures. However, now you can make digital art. In the future, who knows! Maybe we won't even have to have any supplies to make art. Maybe we could just draw in the air and out would pop a wonderful art piece!

The future has very promising prospects. But most people have to be realistic. In some sci-fi movies there could be holographic people and teleportation machines. But really that might happen in 100 years, but probably way after my lifetime. I think that the past still has important moments to remember and celebrate, but also moments to learn and grow.