Subject verb agreement: technology, robots and automation

Directions: Complete the sentences with the best verbs and the correct subject verb agreement.
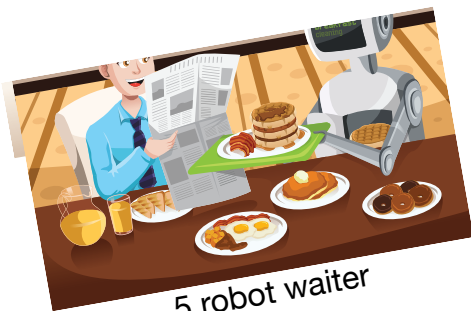
1 vending machine
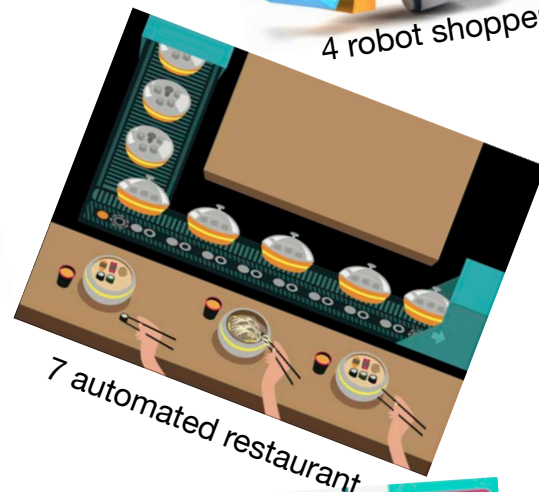
2 smartphone payment

3 robot pencil
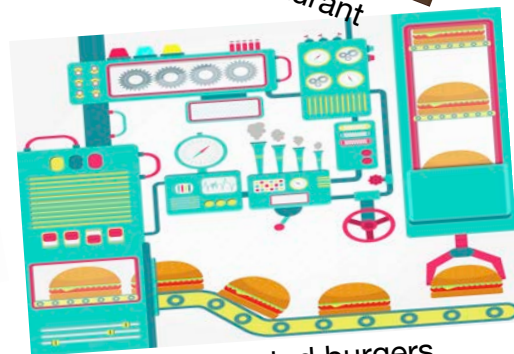
4 robot shopper

5 robot waiter

6 robot policeman

7 automated restaurant

8 drone delivery

9 robot mechanic

10 automated burgers

Instructions: Complete the sentences with the best verb and the correct form of the verb. Verbs may be used more than once.

VERBS TO USE

make   allow   help   is/are   increase   serve
solve   "are served"   drop   "break down"
need   have   hire

Advantages

1 *Vending machines …are …very convenient.*

2 *Smartphones……………it easy to pay bills*

3 *A robot pencil ………you to write a letter faster.*

4 *A robot shopper can ……me pick up heavy things.*

5 *Robot waiters ……..fast and efficient.*

6 *Robot policemen …………the level of public safety.*

7 *Automated restaurants………..customers quickly.*

8 *Drone deliveries ………so fast.*

9 *A robot mechanic can ……………any problem.*

10 *Automated burgers …………………….quickly.*

(passive tense)

Disadvantages

1 *Vending machines …….. the order too quickly and they sometimes …………*

2 *People who ……...smartphone payments……...more often in debt.*

3 *The robot pencil…………a special type of pencil.*

4 *Robot shoppers might not ……… good taste.*

5 *Robot waiters sometimes don't………..to customer requests.*

6 *People might …………… a robot policeman.*

7 *Automated restaurants don't………..human workers.*

8 *Drone deliveries …………expensive.*

9 *Robot mechanics often …………………*

10 *Automated burgers……………low quality.*

Subject verb agreement: technology, robots and automation (answers)

Advantages

2 Smartphones **make** it easy to pay bills.

3 A robot pencil **allows** you to write a letter faster.

4 A robot shopper can **help** me pick up heavy things.

5 Robot waiters **are** fast and efficient.

6 Robot policemen **increase** the level of public safety.

7 Automated restaurants **serve** customers quickly.

8 Drone deliveries **are** so fast.

9 A robot mechanic can **solve** any problem.

10 Automated burgers **are served** quickly.

Disadvantages
1 Vending machines **drop** the order too quickly and they sometimes **break down**.

2 People who **use** smartphone payments **are** more often in debt.

3 The robot pencil **needs** a special type of pencil.

4 Robot shoppers might not **have** good taste.

5 Robot waiters sometimes don't **respond** to customer requests.

6 People might **ignore** a robot policeman.

7 Automated restaurants don't **hire** human workers.

8 Drone deliveries **are** expensive.

9 Robot mechanics often **break down**.

10 Automated burgers **are** low quality.