

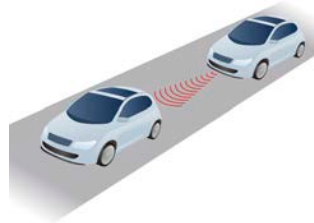
Read the article and answer the questions.

Some people think that autonomous vehicles will change our lives for the better. They think that they will be safer and transportation will be more efficient. However, I believe that autonomous vehicles will cause many problems that need to be solved before they are allowed to become a part of our daily lives.



First, driverless cars will bring an increase in unemployment. Thousands of drivers will lose their jobs if autonomous vehicles are allowed to take over the roads. Truck drivers, delivery drivers, taxi drivers and many other kinds of drivers will lose their jobs. The increase in unemployment could cause serious social problems.

Second, companies and governments will lose money. For example, insurance companies now get about fifty percent of their incomes from car insurance. "We would not be holding a party at our insurance company." said insurance agent Pedro DeSilva, "We could almost become an insurer without insurance." Governments and cities, too, will lose money from parking, speeding fines and petrol taxes.



Finally, there is no planning. Dramatic change is coming, but governments haven't begun thinking about it. Only 6 per cent of the biggest American cities have done some long-term planning. Driverless cars could arrive by 2030, but most government officials and transport ministers are only worried about short term problems.

In conclusion, it is possible that autonomous vehicles will not benefit society if they are introduced too quickly, they may cause social chaos through unemployment, financial loss and lack of planning. It is important that these issues are addressed before autonomous vehicles are allowed on our roads.

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1. What are some benefits of autonomous vehicles?

2. Who will lose their jobs to driverless forms of transportation?

3. What taxes will governments miss out on ?

4. Why is there no planning for new technologies?

*prepositions of time: for, ago, since, on, at*

Q1 I graduated from college ..... 2002.

- (a) since (b) on (c) in (d) at

Q2 I like to go to bed ..... midnight on Saturdays.

- (a) since (b) on (c) during (d) at

Q3 He migrated to Istanbul five years .....

- (a) since (b) ago (c) for (d) at

Q4 The artist had been painting ..... two decades before he sold his first painting.

- (a) during (b) for (c) since (d) on

Q5 Shakespeare was born ..... 23 April, 1564.

- (a) since (b) on (c) in (d) at

Q6 In Europe Autumn begins ..... March.

- (a) in (b) on (c) at (d) since

Q7 We always eat a roast dinner ..... Christmas day.

- (a) in (b) on (c) at (d) since

Q8 His pet anaconda died five months ..... and he still misses it.

- (a) for (b) since (c) ago (d) on

Q9 I've been studying Italian ..... I was five years old.

- (a) for (b) since (c) ago (d) on

Q10 The chairman of the board has been employed in the finance industry ..... 1984.

- (a) in (b) on (c) since (d) at

*Common English phrases with prepositions*

- Q1 I had a crash yesterday afternoon. Fortunately I didn't do too much damage ..... my car.  
(a) with (b) in (c) about (d) to
- Q2 Simon isn't at school this week. He's ..... vacation.  
(a) in (b) between (c) on (d) to
- Q3 We're out ..... coffee. Could you please go the supermarket and pick up some more.  
(a) for (b) in (c) of (d) to
- Q4 This morning I received a cheque in the mail ..... one thousand dollars.  
(a) about (b) for (c) on (d) with
- Q5 You're really annoying me. You're doing it ..... purpose, aren't you?  
(a) about (b) of (c) on (d) in
- Q6 Can you tell the difference ..... butter and margarine?  
(a) in (b) with (c) between (d) about
- Q7 There have been many complaints ..... your behavior.  
(a) with (b) of (c) about (d) for
- Q8 The trouble ..... my mother in law is that she doesn't listen to anybody.  
(a) with (b) about (c) for (d) between
- Q9 I'm tired of cooking every night. Let's eat out ..... a change.  
(a) on (b) for (c) to (d) in
- Q10 Have you got any photos ..... your girlfriend?  
(a) about (b) between (c) of (d) which

*Articles in English Grammar*

Q1 I want to buy ..... laptop computer next week.

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q2 Can you please go to ..... grocery store on fifth street and buy 2 cartons of milk?

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q3 Please meet me at the train station in ..... hour from now.

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q4 I like to watch tennis on the television. It is ..... very good game.

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q5 My brother won an award for being ..... best speller in our school.

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q6 Do you want to watch ..... movie with me tonight?

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q7 I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw ..... elephant crossing the road in front of my school yesterday.

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q8 How much will it cost to go on ..... holiday to Bali?

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q9 Can you please help me pick out ..... birthday present for my father?

(a) a

(b) an

(c) the

Q10 ..... President of the United States will be visiting Australia next week.

(a) A

(b) An

(c) The

*a, some or any*

Q1 We need ..... kilo of apples.

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q2 Have you got ..... water?

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q3 There's ..... newspaper on the table.

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q4 I've got ..... salad sandwiches for my lunch today.

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q5 I haven't got ..... tea. Can you go to the corner store and buy some more?

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q6 How about ..... cup of coffee?

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q7 There are ..... grapes in the fridge.

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q8 Is there ..... orange juice left in the fridge?

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any

Q9 I need ..... money to go shopping.

(a) a

(b) any

(c) some

Q10 We need to buy ..... bread rolls if you want to make hotdogs for your lunch.

(a) a

(b) some

(c) any