

Prospects this and that side of the Atlantic

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Assignment

This is about comparing your own view of the future with views held in the US.

1. Read, consider arguments pro and con and tick the appropriate boxes.
2. Compare with your partner and explain your decisions.
3. Count the resulting data in your class.
4. Guess how many in one hundred Americans might have ticked these boxes.
5. Compare your class's expectations with the real data from polls from the US.
6. Draw a brief conclusion and prepare to present it to the class.

Example

<u><i>Finding a job</i></u> for today's young is...	<i>easier</i>		<i>harder</i>		<i>the same</i>	
	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>
[Tick the boxes that apply to you. Then in the three boxes enter the percentage of Americans that you think ticked it.]		%		%		%

A survey in the USA asked about the same topics. Tick the boxes to mark where you stand.

Probably / Definitely						
<i>There will be...</i>	Yes		No		No idea	
A BETTER WORLD?	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>
A drug curing AIDS						
A cleaner, safer environment						
Space travel for citizens						
Jesus Christ back on earth						

Probably / Definitely						
<i>There will be...</i>	Will happen		Won't Happen		Don't know	
Armageddon?	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>USA</i>
Terrorists attacking the US						
More global warming						
A disease worse than AIDS						
Nuclear war						
An asteroid hitting the earth						