

## **Impact of Technology: social, economic or environmental**

STONE AGE (-3000 BC)	BRONZE AGE (3000-1200 BC)	IRON AGE (1200 BC-1300 AD)	MIDDLE AGES (500 AD-1500 AD)	RENAISSANCE (1300 AD-1600 AD)	INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION (1750 AD-)	INFORMATION AGE (PRESENT)
STONE TOOLS, FIRE, CAVE PAINTINGS, POTTERY	COPPER AND BRONZE TOOLS, SMELTING, FRESCOES, WRITING, PAPER, INK	IRON TOOLS, FURNACES, AQUEDUCTS, BODY ARMOR, OX-DRAWN PLOWS, SPINNING WHEELS, WINDMILLS	PRINTING PRESS, COMPASS, PAPER MONEY, WATERWHEEL	IMPROVED MAGNETIC COMPASS, TELESCOPE, HYDRAULIC PRESS, CALCULATING MACHINE, MODERN ARCHITECTURE	STEAM ENGINE, COTTON GIN, POWER LOOMS, FACTORIES, ELECTRICITY, AUTOMOBILE, AIRPLANE	DESKTOP COMPUTERS, ROBOTS, LASERS, SOLAR ENERGY, CELL RESEARCH, SATELLITES

Read the following article and answer the questions:

<http://www.useoftechnology.com/technology-society-impact-technology-society/>

1. Explain the difference in a positive impact and a negative impact according to the article. Give an example of both.
2. Looking at the chart above, choose an invention and make a determination if it was positive or negative. Support your opinion with examples. IF you feel it was both positive and negative, explain why you feel it was more one than the other.
3. The article discusses Negative Impacts of Technology on Society. What are the three examples given as negative impacts?
4. Define Stewardship.
5. Define gluttony.
6. Define greed.
7. Define inordinate.
8. Define discipline.
9. Define consumerism.
10. Define minimalism. ([www.theminimalists.com/minimalism/](http://www.theminimalists.com/minimalism/) )
11. Referring to the article, in what ways do you think society can curb the negative impacts of the technology we have developed?
12. How much is enough? The question is, how much do we need?
13. Give an example of a technology or invention that you see being abused every day. What do you think will be the impact on our society as time goes on?
14. Our society is based upon consumerism. How is this good and how is this bad?
15. What would happen if everyone suddenly became minimalists? Positive and Negative.