## BBC LEARNING ENGLISH Media English 媒体英语 Will a robot take your job? 机器人会抢了你的饭碗吗?



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不论你是正坐在办公桌前或是正在开出租车,请你停下来想想这个问题:你做的这个 工作若换做机器人或一台机器来完成是否能比你做得更好?英国牛津大学和德勤会计 事务所(Deloitte)的研究人员说,英国现有工作的大约三分之一将在未来的二十年后 被计算机取代。以下是 Rory Cellan-Jones 的报道。

Oxford University has **predicted** that 35% of jobs in the UK **workforce** are at risk from **automation** over the next 10 to 20 years. But Deloitte paints an **optimistic** picture of the way technology has transformed work over the past 15 years. While some jobs have been destroyed by automation – the number of typists is down by 75% - far more have been created.

But as computers and robots learn how to do more tasks once restricted to humans, there is a threat to **low-skilled workers**. Those earning under £30,000 a year are five times as likely to lose their jobs as people earning over £100,000.

Skills that computers don't possess, such as creativity and **social intelligence**, will become increasingly valuable in the job market.

## 词汇表

predicted	预测,预言
workforce	劳动力,劳动人口
automation	自动化
optimistic	乐观的
low-skilled workers	低技能劳动者
social intelligence	社会智力, 社交智慧

## 测验

## 请听报道并回答下列问题。

- 1. According to the report, what's positive about increased automation?
- 2. True or false? A type of job in which people writing letters and documents on a keyboard for another person has been affected badly over that last fifteen years.
- 3. Are people who earn more than  $\pounds 100,000$  as much at risk of losing their jobs to machines as those earning ten times less?
- 4. What are the best skills to have to avoid your job being done by a computer?

- According to the report, what's positive about increasing automation?
  Far more jobs have been created than destroyed.
- True or false? A type of job in which people writing letters and documents on a keyboard for another person has been affected badly over that last fifteen years.
   True. The number of typists is down by 75%.
- Are people who earn more than £100,000 as much at risk of losing their jobs to machines as those earning ten times less?
  No. People who earn more than £100,000 are five times less likely to lose their jobs as those earning £10,000.
- 4. What are the best skills to have to avoid your job being done by a computer? The best skills to have are creativity and social intelligence.

答案