

Time Contrasts

Time expressions

Past

In the past...
In the nineteenth century...
A hundred years ago...

In the 1960's...
Yesterday...

present

these days...
Nowadays...
Today...

This year...

This week...

future

In ten years...
In the next hundred years...
In the twenty second century...
In the future...
Tomorrow...
In a year...
Soon
The day after tomorrow...
Next year...

The day before yesterday...
As a child, I used to...

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In the past... 2. Before this time... 3. Fifty years ago... 4. These days... 5. Today... 6. Nowadays... 7. Soon... 8. In twenty years... 9. In the future... 10. Before the automobile... 11. Before there were supermarkets... 12. About five hundred years ago... 13. In most offices today... 14. In many cities nowadays... 15. Soon... 16. In the next hundred years... 17. Sometimes in the future... 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. not many people lived here. B. people used to shop at grocery stores. C. people lived to around sixty. D. the population is growing fast. E. people shop at supermarkets. F. people live to about seventy five. G. there will be a lot of high-rise apartments. H. people might buy groceries by computer. I. people are going to live even longer. J. people used to buy at small stores. K. pollution is becoming a serious problem. L. most people are going to work at home. M. people didn't travel as much, from city to city. N. there will probably be cities in the space. O. people work more than forty hours a week. P. people played the first game of golf. Q. they might find a cure for the common cold.
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