

Robots



| Timeline | | | | | | | | | |
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| AD 1495 | AD 1738 | AD 2001 | AD 2007 | AD 2011 | AD 2021 | | | | |
| Mechanical Knight Created by Leonardo da Vinci | Unimate Industrial Robot | Packbot Bomb disposal & reconnaisance | Topio Humanoid built to play table tennis. | Curiosity Mars Rover | Ameca Humanoid – uses Al to interact with humans. | | | | |

| Key Vocabulary - words that are related to the topic you are investigating and that must be used in your work | | | | | | | |
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| Word | Definition | | | | | | |
| technology | Use of science to invent tools and devices. | | | | | | |
| humanoid | Having human form or characteristics. | | | | | | |
| Artificial Intelligence | Ability of a computer to think and learn. | | | | | | |
| reconnaisance | Survey to gain information e.g. enemy territory | | | | | | |
| robotics | Creating robots & machines to do work | | | | | | |
| sensor | A device that detects something and transmits a signal. | | | | | | |
| engineer | A person who designs and builds complex machines or structures. | | | | | | |
| software | Program that tells the computer what to do. | | | | | | |

Sticky Knowledge – what we want you to know at the end of the unit.

To know what a robot is

- The name comes from 'robota' in Czech, which means drudgery (hard work).
- A robot is a machine controlled by computer programs that does work without the help of a human.
- Robots can only do what a person has built them to do.
- Not all robots look like humans!

To know why robots are used in the place of humans

- Robots can do repetitive jobs without getting bored or tired
- Robots can enter environments that would be too dangerous for humans

To know which countries are leaders in creating & using robots

- South Korea, Japan, Germany, China and Sweden use the most robots.
- Japan is a superpower and 45% of all robots can be traced back there.

To know how robots have helped us to learn about the world

- Space exploration there was water on Mars
- Ocean exploration scientists have found evidence of new species.

To know where/how robots are used:

- Medical to help with operations and scans, deliveries & helping people to walk.
- Manufacturing building cars, welding, food packing.
- Home kitchen robots, automatic hoovers, lawn mowers and Alexa.
- Space & ocean exploration
- Military bomb disposal, scouting dangerous places.
- Entertainment toy robots, robot restaurants.

To know what is possible in the future:

- Artifcial Intelligence will enable robots to think and act by themselves.
- Travel self drive cars are already being developed.

You will be using the following skills during this unit of work:

Historical Skills:

- To sequence events from the period studied on a time line.
- To identify reasons for and results of people's actions.
- To understand why people may have wanted to do something.

Geographical Skills:

- To locate places on large scale maps (e.g. find UK or India on a globe).
- To begin to identify significant places and environments.
- To use junior atlases and map sites on the internet.

DT Skills:

- To create a plan (with an annotated sketch).
- To select suitable tools, equipment and materials.
- To join and finish your product with some accuracy.
- To evaluate your product against your plan.

Art Skills:

 To work on their own and collaboratively on 2D and 3D projects of different scales.