

Minority Report

Production	USA, 2002
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Based on	The short story by Philip K. Dick
Directed by	Steven Spielberg
Genre	Science fiction
Characters	John Anderton (Tom Cruise)

Scene 1 **I'm not going to be haloed**

Washington 2054: JOHN ANDERTON is head of Precrime. His job: to arrest people before they commit a murder based on predictions by three *pre-cogs*, former drug addicts who are able to see into the future. The system works. Murders have dropped from epidemic proportions to almost zero. But one day the pre-cogs predict that ANDERTON himself will soon become a murderer. He runs but knows the system too well to know he can escape.

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Themes

- Biometrics
- Crime
- The Future
- Privacy
- Technology

Vocabulary

to fake	to set up (blame someone)
to override (a computer)	to observe

to clarify

a suspect

a subordinate

a victim

Listening - Gist Question Which futuristic ideas do you see? Make a list.

Answer

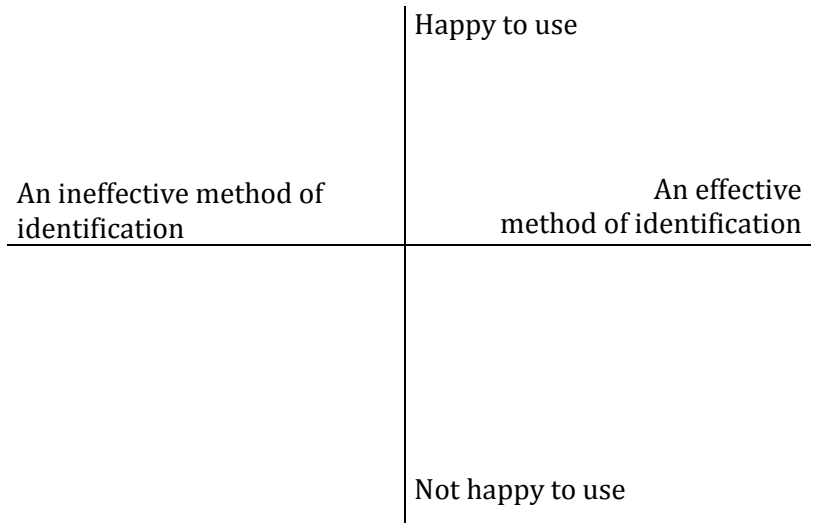
- Touch screens
- Automatic cars
- Vertical roads
- Holographic advertising
- Jetpacks
- Personalised advertising
- Newspapers with moving pictures
- Iris scanning connected to surveillance
- Video communication via laptops

Follow-up (1) Speaking Good ideas? Have they already happened?

Follow-up (2) Speaking How many ways of identifying a person can you think of? Possible answers:

Password	Pin code
Fingerprint	Photograph
Finger/Thumb vein scan	Finger/Thumb scan
Palm scan	Iris/Retina scan
Facial geometry scan	Voice pattern
Keystroke	Gait
Smell	DNA

Fill each method in on the following graph depending on whether you find it effective and whether you would be happy to use it.



Follow-up (3) Crime See Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid. Scene 1.
Follow-up (4-6).