

## 1 Use the prompts to make speculations and predictions about the future.

1 We / probably / find / a cure for AIDS.

2 I / sure / people / live / until they are 150 years old.

3 We / might / have / more specialist hospitals.

4 Scientists / could / grow / new body parts.

5 People / work / for much longer.

6 I / doubt / we / live / healthier lives.

7 Children / may / learn / how to treat their own illnesses.

8 Doctors / definitely / use / more technology.

## 2 Work in pairs. Read the predictions from exercise 1. Which do you agree with? Which do you disagree with? Why?

## 3 Use the phrases below to complete the text.

could stay   develop   might have   wants to change   will definitely be  
will probably check   will reduce   won't visit

In the future, if we <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the technology, people with long-term illnesses <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ their doctor. They <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ at home and communicate with their doctor online. They <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ special machines at home to help them with their treatment. These machines <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the patient's health regularly. If the doctor <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the treatment, he will use his computer to send the changes to the machine in the patient's home. I'm sure that this <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ the cost of healthcare and I think people <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ happier to stay at home when they are ill.

4 **SPEAKING** Work in groups. Think of first conditional *if* clauses to complete these sentences. Then read out the beginnings of your sentences to another group. Can they match them with the correct endings?

... I'll be really happy!

... I'll feel very sad.

... I won't go out.

... I won't speak to him.

... I'll go shopping at the weekend.

... I won't be surprised.

If my brother borrows my phone again ...

No.

... I won't speak to him.

... I won't be surprised.

Yes!