Tech for the Future Part 2 – Transcript

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And then finally for today, our last area of technology is Tech for the Future of transport. We actually have a whole lesson dedicated to the future of technology and transport. So please have a look at that Tuesday, if this particular area and particular information, interest you. So the picture in the top left shows a flying car. And…So, flying cars are actually closer to reality than you think. That car in that picture successfully took a 35-minute test run in Slovakia in July 2021. So, what it did is, it's wings folded away when it landed and the driver or pilot could choose to drive on the ground or fly. So, imagine in the future, if you're leaving the house and you had one of these flying cars and they were, say in 10 years' time, you could just purchase them and they could be on your drive outside your house. And you could say, "Oh, Let's go the shop. Oh, shall we fly or shall we drive?" Because you never know that could actually exist and flying cars now; that prototype has successfully landed and taken off, so who knows. And the picture on the top right is of a drone taxi. See, these will be available in major cities around the world in the next ten years. So companies like Uber, for example are working on drone taxis as we speak. You will simply be able to order the drone to pick you up from wherever you are and tell it where you would like to go. And the drone will just fly you there. So no one will be piloting that. It will just automatically do that, probably connected through the internet, or things and all the different sensors around it. So, by the time, many of you go to university, perhaps to go out and about you could be ordering a drone taxi, who knows. And then the bottom picture, of that really cool suit is from a company called Gravity Industries. They have created a jet suit, which you can buy and actually wear now. And the suit can travel as fast as 85 mile per hour. So, miles per hours. So, not just the suit, obviously the person in it can travel that fast as well. And it's been used in a number of different ways such as, helping the royal marines to defeat pirates at sea.   Or, like you can see in the short clip that we're about to watch, it could support mountain rescue, getting to the people in need quickly. So not only does this suit look really cool, but it can also really have lots of examples of how it could really help people. So, let's have a look at the suit in action.

Video: "Okay. Check. Check. [inaudible speech] Okay."

I think that's a really cool example of the use of tech for transport and definitely a suit I want to have a go in and I'll try to have a go in one of these days.

Link to video: https://techshecan.org/on-demand-lessons/the-future-part-2