



The Nation's Favorite Fun Family Newspaper
Kidsville News! Brainworks Worksheet
February Enrichment Activities
Grades K-2



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2. electrical engineering

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3. biomedical engineering

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8. computer science

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9. artificial intelligence

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12. Programming/telecommunications

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1. What is the relationship between robots, artificial intelligence and humans?
2. Describe some successful examples of artificially intelligent robots.
3. How are artificial intelligence and robotics used in the media?



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AI helps make robots more independent, giving them the tools to make “free decisions.” The mission of artificially intelligent robots is to complement the work of humans and help people do their jobs better.

2. Describe some successful examples of artificially intelligent robots.

In 1997, Deep Blue, a high-tech AI program that was the first of many, became the first computer program to beat the chess world champion, Garry Kasparov. In 2011, IBM Watson beat the top two “Jeopardy!” players, Brad Rutter and Ken Jennings. Five years later, Google’s AlphaGo beat top “Go” player Lee Sedol four out of five times.

3. How are artificial intelligence and robotics used in the media?

AI is used in movie streaming services like Netflix that provide you with recommendations of other shows to watch. Robotics is used on internet websites when chatbots, not humans, help answer your questions. AI also ranks websites in your search results when you “surf the web.”

