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Unit 1 Week 3:

Margaret Atwood chooses to approach the topic of industrial effect on the world. She does so by breaking down the stages in which the human population becomes greedier as time progresses and places the effects of such greed on the environment. She also chooses a somewhat futuristic style of writing, it supports the title of this article as it was written in a way that makes the reader feel like she was talking from the past (our present) to future humanity.

Her approach clearly outlines how the effects of unconscious, greedy industrialization will lead us to an unlivable earth if the people behind these corporations continue to take over land without consideration of the future. As a future healthcare professional the continuous deforestation and the burning of fossil fuels concerns me because not only will there be a time in which we will not be able to continue as is, in the middle of such demise, people will begin to get sicker and sicker. With high temperatures comes the melting of glaciers which allow for the possibility of deadly diseases to arise

(<http://www.bbc.com/earth/story/20170504-there-are-diseases-hidden-in-ice-and-they-are-waking-up>), the continuous pollution of the earth might begin to affect new people and potentially become deadly at some point for people with respiratory problems. The need for action against these corporations and improving the way we do things in general, is needed not only to help our present but in order to have a future.

Unit 3 Week 1:

This week we dived into the world of Artificial Intelligence. The science journal told us about the history of AI then it went into the game playing aspect of this technology describing to the reader how the AI would play games such as GO, Atari and quickly decipher the advanced plays leading to professionals questioning their own approaches. The video ended up giving a similar narrative as the science journal but less data dense and more entertaining by providing a short story about how AIs could take over humanity and what it would lead us to. The video was made to appeal to the general public as it is done in a way that is very eye-catching and entertaining while the science journal was done for people such as scientists due to the bigger presence of dates and percentages. Both sources come to the same point of how advanced AI would get and how threatening it would be for humanity if such technology gets as far as it could.