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Job Application

An extension of "Robots are taking over jobs"

Read "Robots are taking over jobs" (page 14, What's Up September 2016). In the future, humans will use robots more and more. Imagine what it would be like if you had to compete with a robot for a job, or even the other way around.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Work in pairs. Decide whether you want to be a robot or a human.
- 2. Read the advertisement below. Pretend that you are very eager to get this job. Compose a letter to apply for it. All the key points you need are found in the article. Your letter should aim to convince the company that you are the best robot or person to hire for this job.

Job Advertisement

WE ARE HIRING!

We are a big company that manufactures refrigerators. We are hiring **production operators** for our plant at Ang Mo Kio. Both humans and humanoid robots may apply.

Job Description

- Assemble parts for the various refrigerator units.
- Conduct QC (quality control) checks

Requirements:

- For humans: ITE / Nitec / Higher Nitec / Diploma in Mechanical / Electrical Engineering/any course.
- For robots: Certificates from manufacturers required, on the type of work you are programmed to do.
- During on-the-job training (OJT), must be willing to learn and be teachable.
- Experience in assembly-line production is an added advantage.
- Able to work long hours standing, and willing to work hard.
- Able to adapt to changing technology and situations.
- Able to troubleshoot problems on the line.
- Has good track record of work attendance.

We offer attractive remuneration packages to suit both humans and robots. If you wish to be a part of our family of happy employees and meet our requirements, write to us c/o HR Manager, AB Refrigerators, PO Box ABR2345X, Singapore with the following detail:

- Name, Age (Date Manufactured) and Gender
- Qualifications, interests and hobbies and communication skills.
- Humans, please let us know why you are better qualified for this job than a robot.
- Robots, please let us know why you are better qualified for this job than a human.

We regret to inform you that only shortlisted candidates will be notified.