

ACTIVITY #1: Read the comic strip “Sherman’s Lagoon” by Jim Toomey (attached).

1. What do you think is the message in this comic strip?

2. **SATIRE** means using humour to criticize something in the hope of bringing about change. Do you think that using humour is a good way to make people pay attention to a problem? Why/why not?

ACTIVITY #2: Read the poem “The Forecast” by Dan Jaffe (attached).

1. How much do you rely on media and technology in your daily life?

- a) Not at all
- b) A little
- c) Some
- d) Quite a lot
- e) A lot!

2. Use the chart below to list some PROS (good things) and CONS (bad things) about relying on technology. Try to come up with at least 3 on each side.

PROS	CONS

3. Do you agree with Dan Jaffe’s view of “our age”? Why or why not?

YES / NO Because: _____
