W5  Thoughts about the Future

Take a look at the quotations about the future. Decide if the people have a more positive or negative attitude towards their future life and place the statements on the scale! Then compare your ideas with your neighbours'. Did you agree most of the time or did you have different impressions of the people's attitude?

(1) No date on the calendar is as important as tomorrow. (Roy W. Howard)

(2) My interest is in the future because I am going to spend the rest of my life there. (Charles I. Kettering)

(3) The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. (Eleanor Roosevelt)

(4) The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time. (Abraham Lincoln)

(5) I never think of the future. It comes soon enough. (Albert Einstein)

(6) Change is the law of life. And those who only look to the past or the present are certain to miss the future. (John F. Kennedy)

(7) Past is past and we must live the present to survive the future. (Martin Ducavne)

(8) Enjoy present pleasures in such a way as not to injure future ones. (Seneca)

(9) The future depends on many things, but mostly on you. (Frank Tyger)

(10) Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment. (Buddha)

0 (rather negative) 10 (very positive)

Which is YOUR favourite statement? Write it down here:

Now take the beginning of Eleanor Roosevelt’s statement and finish it with your own idea to state your motto for the future:
The future belongs to those who