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In 50 years....

My name is Lorna, and I'm 62 years old. I program special computers for schoolwork, but in the meantime I sell art. I'm getting ready to retire at the moment, though. I live in Eyrecourt at the moment, but it's much different from when I was younger.

I have two children and three grandchildren. My parents are still alive, though they're both in a nursing home. Sometimes I bring them to school. As I said, everywhere is much different now. The primary students get a special wristband they're supposed to scan before they enter the school. I suppose it's better that way. The parents also get one, in case they have to pick up their kids early. There's a rumour that whenever the noise levels are high, the wristbands tighten so that the kids will stop messing. Or does an alarm go off? I'll have to ask my grandkids the next time I see them.

There's still a few corner shops left, though. When you enter the shops, the first thing you will notice are the huge price tags on everything for sale. When you go back out, there's something like one of those metal detectors you walk through in the airport. That way, an alarm will go off if it senses something you didn't pay for. There's a similar system with money, too.

When I retire, I hope I'll carry on doing the things I still do today. I might own a pet or two, though I'll have to ask someone to look after it in a few years. In the schools, you also get an ID card. If you lose it, there's a special password on your wristband which you type into the receptionist computer. But if you lose, that, you'll have to ask a teacher. You also have your own school account, meaning there's 30+ computers in each classroom. All of your schoolbooks are saved as ebooks, and you type in the questions before emailing them to the teacher. The schoolbooks are modified, so that no-one can look up the answers. The internet connection is controlled by the teachers, so they can turn it on and off. If you Google something, the teachers get a text so you can't look up anything unrelated to schoolwork. I'm not sure if anyone still knows how to write by hand anymore.

By Lorna Kelly

My name is Caoimhe and I am 61 years old. I am 6ft, I have long brown hair, I have no wrinkles and the fashion is mostly the same but the girls have to wear skirts all the time.

My parents are still alive and so is my brother. When I drop my grandchildren off to school it is so different from when I went to school. They have a automatic gate. Then they are greeted by a robot. When they get to their classroom they have to get a eye scan and if the eye does not match they are not allowed into the classroom.

I live Ballinakill in my grand uncle's house it is done up all fancy and it is painted blue. Around the house is my farm with 1,000 milking cows and 2,000 sucklers. I have two John Deeres and one New Holland. I work with my cousins the three of us work together. We all have the same tractors.

By Caoimhe Kearns

Hi it's Alan here. I am now 63 and i am 6ft 4in. I live in a mansion in Spain. I live beside a beach and I have a soccer pitch in my back garden. I also have a lake at the end of my garden and a big woods behind it as well. I live with my wife and 3 kids

My 3 brothers have dispatched themselves in different countries. Enda is still living in Ireland and is a carpenter. Joe lives in America and is a guard and Graham lives in Australia and is a retired rugby player. They are all married and have two kids.

It's been 50 years now since I've been in primary school. After primary school I went on to Banagher secondary. I then went on to England to have trials with Southampton football club. After 1 year I went to college to study engineering. Southampton paid for the course. When I was finished college Chelsea approached me to come to their team they were offering me £15,000 a week. They bought me for £32 million. I went on to be their top scorer of all time. 3 years later Real Madrid bought me for £88 million and a wage of £45,000 a week. I also played for Ireland and I became captain and we won the world cup 3 years in a row. At the age of 42 I retired from professional football. I then went on to manage Real Madrid for 14 years and then I went to Barcelona and I am still managing them. I also manage The Ireland soccer team . In the next few years I hope that I win the champions league with Barcelona and that I win the World Cup with Ireland and when I retire from football I will travel the world

By Alan Mullery

In 50 years time I am 61. I'll be living in Australia with my wife. I have 2 sons Jacob and Jason and I have 1 daughter Alisha. Jacobs 24 and Jason is 21 and Alicia is 22.

When I have time I like to go out to my back garden and feed the kangaroos. My house is very big because I played soccer for 10 years with Barcelona so that's why I have a big house and kangaroos at the back. My sons and daughters have a big house but not as big as mine. I have two cars a Ferrari and a Lamborghini.

My children say that when they were in primary school it was all high tech. They had a thing that you put your hands up against it and it takes your hand print so that they know how many people were in every day. It has really changed since I have been in school.

in a year's time there they're releasing hover cars and cars running on water. The hover cars can reach very high speeds and the cars running on water don't go really fast, just the normal speed..

By Jack Rosney

My name is Thomas Fleming. I am 62 years old and I live in Eyrecourt. I work as a doctor in Eyrecourt.

I live with my wife and 3 kids. I have 5 grandchildren. Some of my friends and family are living abroad but my parents are still living in Ireland. They live in Cork.

My life so far is that I went to college in Galway and became a doctor. When I was 35 I went on holidays to Spain. My plans for the future are to go on holiday to Brazil and other places and then to retire and spend lots of time with my grandchildren.

By Thomas Fleming

My name is Sarah. I'm 62 years old. I am a primary school teacher, well actually I'm the principal. I have been teaching for many years now. School is way different from when I was there. To get into the school a barcode built into the children's uniform is scanned.

By the way I live in America. My family still live in Ireland but I visit them a lot by teleporting. I moved to America when I finished college

So far a lot of things have changed since I was young, for one, animals can talk using special colors. And nobody flies anymore as it's much easier to teleport. I haven't really changed though. I am still short.

I hope that in the future people invent more things to make life easier

.By Sarah O'Quigley

I am Keith Bradley I live in Eyrecourt I will be 63 years old. I work on my farm full time. My two sons help me on the farm and they really enjoy it.

I have two sons Steven and Mark and one daughter Katie. I have seven Grandchildren. My daughter lives the far side of athlone and my two sons live in Eyrecourt.

I am enjoying life so far. It is a big change from when i was in shool. When i drop my grandchildren to school now they have a little ID code on their jumpers so if they forget their jumpers they can't get in and I have to drive home again to get it.

I hope to pass the farm down to my two sons in a few years and I will enjoy resting for awhile. I enjoy playing golf so I might play that while a still can. My grandchildren are in their last few years of primary school so when they start secondary school I will have to mind them.

By Keith Bradley

Hello! My name is Libby. I am 62 years old. I work as the local vet. I live in a small village outside Sligo City called Ballysadare. I live in a cosy two storey house, right beside the beach. Up the road from my house is the 'Island View Riding Stables'. On warm, sunny days I ride one of the horses there, on the beach.

I have two kids. A boy and a girl called Blake and Lexi. They have two kids each. Lexi has two boys called Sam and Caleb and Blake has a girl and a boy called Jayden and Macy.

So far, my life has been great! I went to college in Dublin and studied Equine Science and Veterinary. When I was 22, I began to work with horses. I stopped at the age of 26. At 26, I moved to Bondi, Australia. There, I worked as a vet with Bondi's' greatest vet, Dr. Chris Brown. I lived in Bondi until I was 55. When I was 55, I moved back to Ireland to where I am now.

I know I'm old now and will have to retire soon, but in the future I hope to still work with animals and to continue my life right here in Ballysadare!

By Libby Mullery

My name is Kiara Corcoran. I'm 63 years old. I own a shop in Ballinasloe. It's a clothes shop. I don't work in there as much as I used to, but I go in there most of the time to make sure everything is going ok. I live in Ballinasloe

My family are still in Eyrecourt. My parents are still alive. My Two brothers, Shane and Jamie, live in Eyrecourt too. My older brother Liam comes to visit as much as he can. My grandchildren go to the same primary school i went to, Eyrecourt N.S.

My plan for the future is to retire soon. I've been working for 40 years now. I still own the shop but have someone else in charge. maybe then In a few years i might sell it.

When i drop my Grandchildren to school a few things have changed . The teachers have a special badge that they have to wear to get into the school . If they don't have it, they have to say their name in a machine. The students have to say there name into a machine as well. The building is a lot bigger now. It was different when i was in school.

By Kiara Corcoran

Hello my name is Cian Rocke. I am 62 years old and I am 6ft 2. I have longish hair and I always wear shorts because it's always hot where I live. I live in Canada and I work in a zoo. I've lived there for 30 years now. My family live in Ireland and my brother lives in Australia. I go home to Ireland every 6 months. I really like Ireland and I would of stayed over there but there was no work over there at the time but it's supposed to be a really rich country now and all the farmers have really big farms and they have special machines that are timed to when they have to milk the cattle and feed them so really I wouldn't like being a farmer anymore because there are no old fashioned farms anymore. I have made a lot of friends over in Canada. My two best friends are Derek and Timmy, they work in the zoo with me. They are Polish. There is a really good pay in the zoo and I really like it. I really like walking my dog on the beach and i love going swimming and going to the gym. I am not married so I can go out with my friends whenever I want. I have had a good life so far. I studied in the university in Galway before I came over here. I studied animals. My Plans for the future are when I'm 60 I am going to move back over to Ireland and I am going to live in my old town Eyrecourt in Co.Galway. I have been looking and my old house is up for sale so if it still is I'll go over and buy it. *By Cian Rocke*

Hello my name is Adam Ryan.I am 62 years old ,I am 6ft 5inches.I have white hair. I live in Galway city . It is a lovely and friendly locality.I am a teacher, I teach 3rd and 4th class in a boys school. It is a big school,it has 479 children.There are 102 boys in my classroom.

I have a great and supportive family. My wife is called Katie and my 5 children Jack, Keith, Darra, Luke and Sophie.My eldest son Luke is 44 , Keith is 39, Sophie is 34, Jack is 29 and Darragh is 27.

Luke is in Australia,Keith is in Canada ,Sophie is in England , Jack and Darragh are still in Ireland.

When I was 18 I had my first child Luke then I went to College .When I was 23 I had Keith and I became a teacher. When I was 28 I had Sophie when I was 33 I had Jack then became a principal of the school ,then I had my last child Darragh when I was 35. Also I have 14 grandchildren.

In 3 months I am going to be a great grandad for the first time.I think I am going to retire around the age of 70. *By Adam Ryan*

In 2066 my name is Ellen Larkin. I am 61 years old and I will live somewhere in Galway. I'm teaching in a primary school and I'm nearly finished teaching. My family are my husband and my 3 kids. My husband is 63 and my children are 29, 26 and 23. My eldest son John has one little girl. She is two months old. My two daughters names are Lily and Louise.

I went to Mary Immaculate College to be a teacher when I was finished school. I went on to play for the Galway senior camogie team. I played for Galway for a long time and then I went on to be the manager of the team as well.

When I finish teaching I will retire to a baking business of my own. In schools nowadays everything is smart and high tech. When the children come to school in the morning the crest on their school uniform is the key to get into the school for the children. Everyone who can possibly come into school has them even the parents and teachers. You put your crest up to the door and the door opens automatically. When they go into the classroom they have their own cubicles for lockers, lunches, laptops, mepads, hoverboards and personal things like that there is no books. Children only use my phones and my pads and it's not like when we were children we weren't allowed phones or anything in school even though we were a Digital school. *By Ellen Larkin*

My name is Aoife O Dowd. I am 62 years old. My hair is longish, it is blondish brown. The clothes are much the same as they were in 2016. I work as a guard. I live in a big enough house in the countryside in Ireland. I live near a village in Galway. The people that live in the village are very friendly.

My parents live 45 minutes car journey away from me. My sister Niamh lives in Dublin. My other sister Orla lives in Galway City. My brother Sean lives in a village outside Galway City. My parents still live in the same house I grew up in.

After primary school I went to Banagher Secondary School. After Secondary school I went to college in Limerick and I trained to be a guard. I've been a guard for around 30 years.

The age you retire is now 70 instead of 65 because people live a lot longer now. The oldest person in the world is 119. I will be retiring in 8 years. I'm not sure what I will do after I retire. *By Aoife O'Dowd*

Hi my name is Ellie Gohery .I am 61 years old. I live in Galway. I am a teacher. I teach in a really big school in Galway. I teach 5th class. I Have long brown hair. The fashion is still the same. Everyone is still wearing jeans and a top.

My brothers are still alive and living happy and healthy lives. My mother and father are still alive and are living happy and healthy lives as well . I visit them every month. I made loads of new friends and kept some of the old one . I live with my my husband and 3 children. 2 girls and a boy James,Katie and Alison Life has been good so far. When I left primary school I went to Banagher secondary school. I played camogie all my life. I played for my school club and county.When I left secondary school I went to Mary I with my friend and we stayed in an apartment together . While I was in MaryI I still played camogie. I played for the Galway senior team and I won 3 All Irelands. 1as caption I won 2 woman of the match All Irelands. Camogie and Hurling have changed. There are no umpires anymore. It is all hawkeye. And if you can believe it Croke Park is not the stadium you go to for All Ireland and important matches. There is a new stand called Robyn Park. When I was 25 I traveled the world with my 2 friends. I go on holiday every year to somewhere hot like Spain.

Everything has changed .Planes don't take as long to get to their destination. Everyone uses cars that go themselves now.

I will retire from teaching soon and take care and spend more time with my grandchildren. I will help out the parish and the club. I Love going to see Eyrecourt play so I do and I am so glad that my grandchildren play for Eyrecourt. I still have my hobbies watching TV.

Got to go see you in 50 years
by *Ellie Gohery*

Hello! My name is Lauren Davis. I am 62 years old and I live in California. I am here to tell you about how my life has changed through time and technology. First of all, I work in a small but well known tech company called Apple. Back in my day, Apple was one of the biggest tech manufacturers in the WORLD! Everyone loved Apple. Nowadays, there is a new tech company taking the world by storm... "Pear". All of their devices such as phones, pads and pods are shaped like pears. Fruity, AMIRITE?! Anyways, "Pear" is literally taking over the world and "Apple" can't keep up with them!

Even though tech has taken over most of my life, my family still has a place in my heart. I'm really glad that, that man (I can't remember his name) created a way to stop death! Both of my parents are now living happy and healthy lives! Since my family and I don't live in the same area, we like to "Hologramm" each other in our spare time. It took me a while to get used to doing this art which features "real life but not real life" people as I would put it. My daughter Lydia helped me figure it out. All of my family (including myself) have "Hovercrafts". "Hovercrafts" are basically more "modified" versions of cars. They can hover above the ground and can reach amazing speeds!

Lots of things have changed through the ages. All you guys that are my age out there? Remember "how" we used to go to school and what "happened" in school? Yeah, education has changed a LOT. Nowadays when you enter school, all the students line up outside the gate. Next an iPad appears and asks each kid questions to prove their identity. Next they walk into the school and are given a pair of special earbuds and a special iPad to do their schoolwork on. Also the teachers have a special device where they can create an interactive writing board wherever they are. Oh, I forgot to tell you what the earbuds are for. They are put into the children's ears so they cannot hear anything until the teacher tells them to. There will probably be much more things to happen in the near future. Now that Climate Change is no longer, people all around the world can live happy and healthy lives. I believe that a person that was in my class in primary school is nearly finished creating a cure for Cancer. Anyways, I'm really looking forward to the future and I can't wait to see what happens next!