

Sunday News No. 26

Random notes from random sources

The light side of life

1. A funny comment on Marginal Revolution's (<https://marginalrevolution.com/>) article on the new leadership for the World Bank
"Can we do without all this speculation? Ivanka this, Carly that, now this guy. I like this blog more when we discussed for hours on end how to cut Jeff Bezos's taxes so he could get even richer and cut entitlements so the middle class could die off and make fun of liberals that oppose us because they "don't know" economics. I miss those days." Call Saul, January 14th, 2019
2. Clifford Stoll's embarrassing Web predictions in 1995
<https://tinyurl.com/y7gg6te9>
3. Perfect 10, one of the top sports (and team support) performances of all time
<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/ucla-gymnast-perfect-10-kately-ohashi-viral-video-floor-routine-michael-jackson/>

Newcomers can check previous Sunday News editions at

<https://myexplora.live/2018/09/08/explora/#more-10>.

Sunday News is a selection of links posted daily by the **Explora** community at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/183536175571026/>. I can add you if you want (need to have a Facebook account).

Have a Great Sunday

Antonio Camara

On Education

Ideas and memories mapping by the brain

<https://www.quantamagazine.org/the-brain-maps-out-ideas-and-memories-like-spaces-20190114/>

A subversive thread on education via [Naval Ravikant](#)

<https://twitter.com/naval/status/912220382450524160>

The future of learning

<https://medium.com/s/story/what-is-the-future-of-learning-3ff625d1dc86>

A free book on research methods

<https://tinyurl.com/ybjrto2h>

Crowdfunding flips traditional research reward model: PhD students get more funds than their advisers <https://tinyurl.com/ycqsearc>

“The Future of Capitalism” by Paul Collier
<https://tinyurl.com/yc2jexg2>, an excellent review on Irish Times
<https://tinyurl.com/y96j37yk>, book presentation on You Tube

College incubators. Cornell Tech and UT Austin-Capital Factory are also great
<https://www.forbes.com/sites/avivalegatt/2019/01/07/launch-your-startup-at-these-five-college-incubators/>

Food

Fake steaks
<https://www.eater.com/2019/1/11/18177441/impossible-foods-fake-meat-substitute-steak>

New diet guidelines
<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/01/16/climate/meat-environment-climate-change.html>

Mobility



<https://tinyurl.com/y9thh337> (see animated GIF)

Micro-vehicles will rule. Self-driving cars will not
<https://tinyurl.com/y88m42lx>

Unusual vehicles (via James Dubec)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_6vjbCmzlvM

Smart car windows (via Tiago Carita)
<https://tinyurl.com/yceb2hzn>

Cities, Nature and Clean Tech

New lift technologies are reshaping cities
<https://tinyurl.com/y9dqakf4>

How to win public support for a global carbon tax
<https://tinyurl.com/yaodpmkf>

How 300 years of agriculture transformed the Planet
<https://tinyurl.com/ybnsfreb>

11 policy ideas to protect the Planet
<https://tinyurl.com/ydfkzp6x>

Retail

A publisher builds the future of retail

<https://tinyurl.com/y8gpfrcq>

Is the Beauty Industry Amazon proof?

<https://tinyurl.com/y8d2xlz3>

Home Depot and the shopper experience

<https://tinyurl.com/y9v4bygp>

Alibaba is reinventing retail

<https://qz.com/1520575/alibabas-plan-to-reinvent-retail/>

Developing new companies

YDreams Global rebrands to YDX <http://ydxinnovation.com/>

Ynvisible signs agreement with Fraunhofer <https://tinyurl.com/y89wm3z5>



Vlad Magdalin @callmevlad

Given enough time, all big companies will change their brand colors to be made up of red, green, blue, and yellow.

The World of Freelancing

<https://www.fundera.com/blog/best-freelance-gigs-and-side-hustles>

Top Cloud trends 2019

<https://medium.com/futuresin/top-cloud-trends-of-2019-75746a58ace>

Consumer electronics trends for 2019

<https://www.m3design.com/m3-design-journal/best-ces-las-vegas-2019/>

The vision of the SoftBank leader

<https://www.fastcompany.com/90285552/the-most-powerful-person-in-silicon-valley>

Fortnite digital goods and the future of global trade

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-01-11/fortnite-skins-are-key-to-the-future-of-global-trade>

AR/VR/AI

How the World will be painted with data

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/charliefink/2018/12/31/my-first-sweet-taste-of-ar/>

VR in cars

<https://techcrunch.com/2019/01/10/holorides-in-car-vr-solution-is-the-best-thing-at-ces-2019/>. Btw see great ad by James Dubec's AGFilms at <http://www.agfilms.tv/film/67/db-german-rail>

Designing VR menus (excellent guide)

<https://tinyurl.com/yambcxqg>

5G and AR/VR: networking will be more important than display technologies

<https://tinyurl.com/ycokr86x>; also on 5G and AR read <https://www.ben-evans.com/benedictevans/2019/1/16/5g-if-you-build-it-we-will-fill-it>

The post smartphone era (basic and unprecise but useful)

<https://techcrunch.com/2019/01/15/how-the-new-vr-screen-could-end-the-smartphone/>

4 years of progress in face generations using GANs, <https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.04948>



Deep learning hardware for drug discovery

<https://www.nextplatform.com/2019/01/18/deep-learning-hardware-for-the-next-big-ai-framework/>

Common sense needed (human and machine based)

<https://hbr.org/2019/01/the-future-of-ai-will-be-about-less-data-not-more>

A primer on quantum computing

<https://tinyurl.com/y9pe3ph4>

Far out

Harvesting energy from the air

<https://www.theverge.com/2019/1/15/18183456/wiliot-bluetooth-chip-paper-thin-battery-free-low-cost>

Bio-printing

<https://www.wired.com/story/bio-printers-are-churning-out-living-fixes-to-broken-spines/>

Bright meteor showers

<https://www.technologyreview.com/the-download/612767/the-first-artificial-meteor-shower-is-about-to-be-tested-in-space/>