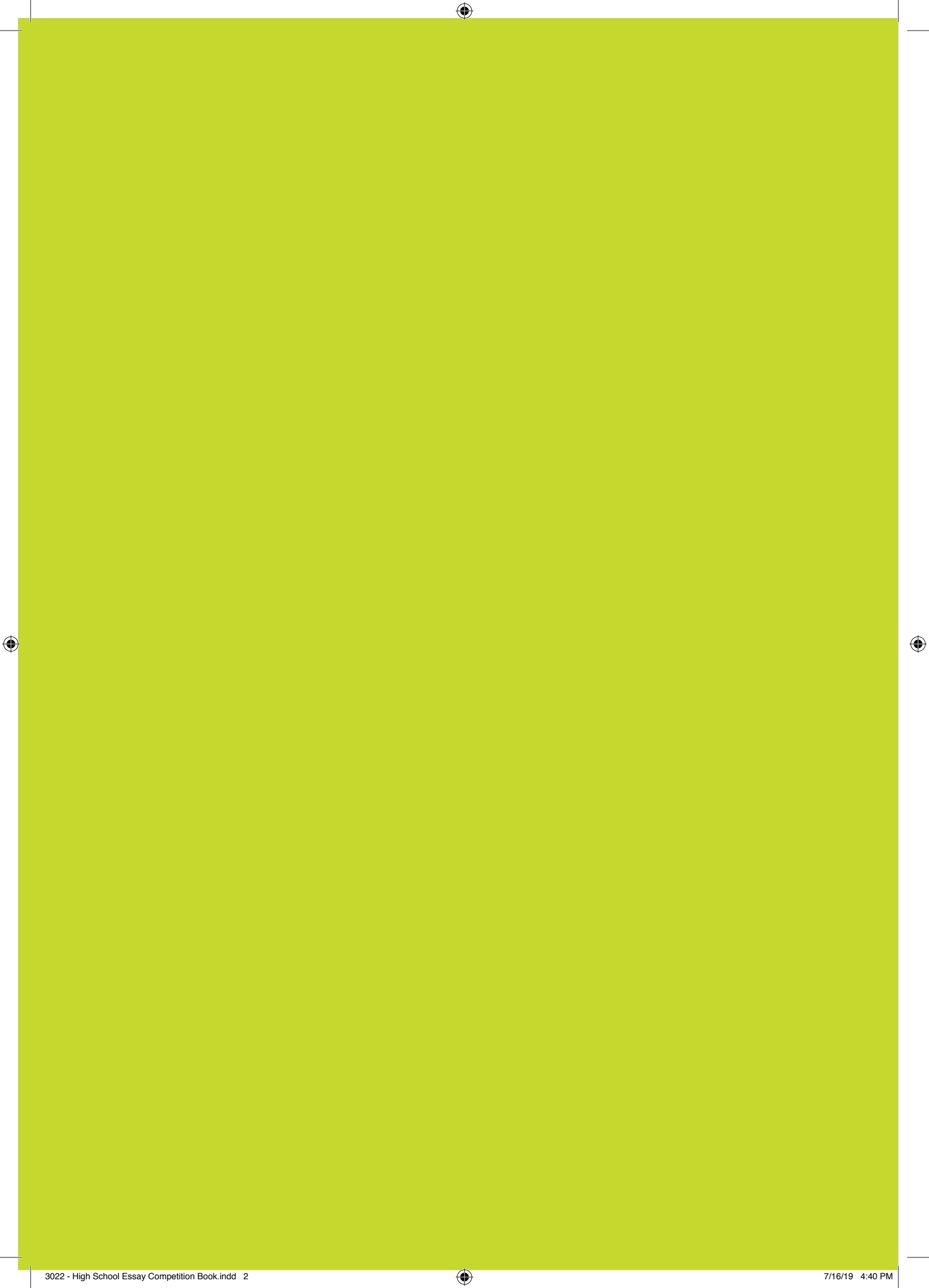


## **My Vision 2030: Essays by Saudi Arabian high school students**

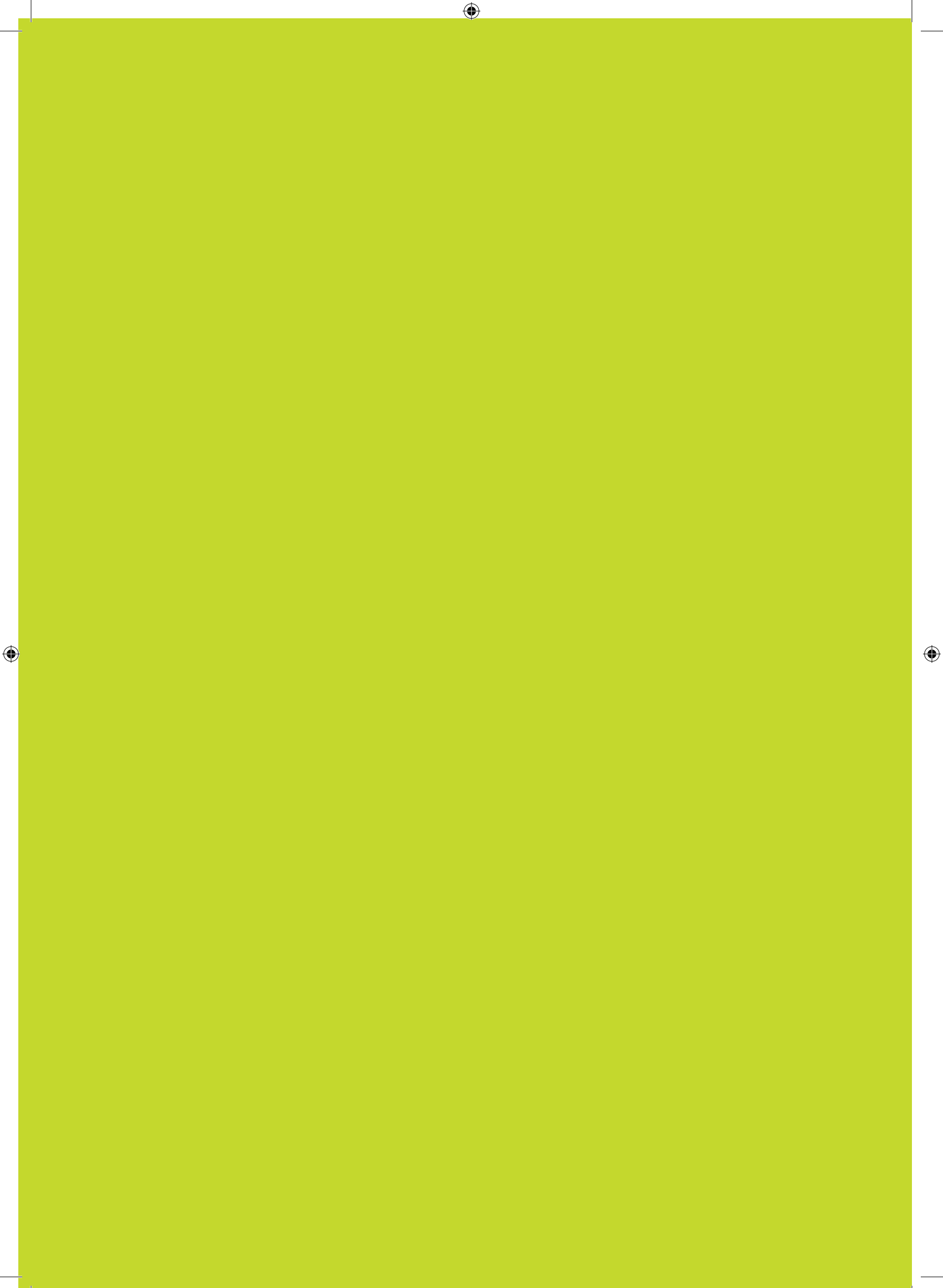
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## Introduction

As the UK's international organisation for educational and cultural relations, the British Council is committed to creating opportunities for young people worldwide, be it through skills development, language learning or cultural and educational exchange. As part of this commitment, we have organised this first competition to showcase the English communication abilities of high school students in Saudi Arabia.

Vision 2030 is the blueprint to build a strong, thriving and stable Saudi Arabia. In these essays we can see how that vision has captured the imagination of young Saudis. Whether writing about reducing pollution, improving education, developing tourism or promoting responsible citizenship, the message is clear: they are committed to building a better tomorrow for generations to come.

The British Council and SIUK are proud to provide a platform for these young people to express themselves. Their writing contains many excellent examples of clear and effective communication, critical thinking and creativity. In both what these students say and how they say it we can find cause for optimism. They are on the path to mastery of the skills required to unlock their potential and realize their ambitions for both themselves and their country.

**Al Faisaliah  
Girls  
Al Khobar**

Saudi Arabia has approximately 33 million citizens according to the 2017 citizen-count, and there is no doubt that such a large number of people produce a crazy amount of waste. Last month while watching the movie Aquaman, one particular scene that caught my attention showed the sea creatures fed up with the waste humans pollute into the sea. That got me thinking, how does my country manage its waste today?

After conducting some research, I came to an important conclusion; waste management is an issue that needs to be addressed in the upcoming years. The current waste management system lacks disposal facilities and most collected garbage is sent to dumpsites where only 10-15% of it is recycled. With 15 million tons of general waste produced each year, these simple methods are not efficient enough.

What makes this such a pressing issue is the 2018 Environmental Performance Index, where 180 countries were judged according to their environmental health. Three of Saudi Arabia's cities were among the top of the list with Jubail ranking as the third most polluted city in the world. The Arabian Gulf oil spills and the many dense landfills are mostly to blame.

As a result, Saudi Arabia needs an ideal waste disposal method. Plasma Gasification is a solution that is currently gaining

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Leen Badghaish



some attention. This method of waste management is a thermal process where solid organic matter is converted into syngas by an electric arc under extreme temperatures in an oxygen-free environment in order to avoid burning carbon and producing carbon dioxide. Syngas is a more stable renewable energy source with high electrical efficiency compared to other power generating technologies, making it a great substitute for when oil is depleted.

With 85% of our waste being recyclable, expanding the recycling industry should be our next step, along with adding landfills with waste assortment technologies to filter waste depending on the most appropriate way for its disposal. Sorting our trash into organic and inorganic groups makes it easier and quicker to choose whether it should be recycled or converted into syngas.

As Saudi citizens it is our duty to protect our environment. Awareness on the dangers of pollution should be increased to grow more co-operative citizens. We must sort and recycle our waste, reduce our plastic usage and keep our public facilities clean. With a well-thought-out plan and co-operation, we can ensure a healthier future for Saudi Arabia.



Manarat  
Al Dammam  
Boys

Saudi Arabia and the rest of the OPEC members have found themselves trying to alleviate the economic pain that low oil prices have caused in the last several years, most notably 2014-2015. As the world's largest oil exporter that is responsible for roughly 20 percent of the global conventional oil reserves, Saudi Arabia faces an imminent challenge to stabilize its economy and maintain growth despite declining oil prices.

While it may prove to be difficult, Saudi Arabia has entrusted thirty one year old millennial and Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman with the daunting task of regulating their oil dependency. Prince Mohammed's father, King Salman, gave his son unprecedented control over the national investment fund, ministry of defense, economic policy, but most importantly, inconceivable control over the state oil monopoly, Saudi Aramco.

Prince Mohammed has responded to this challenge by attempting to implement economic and social policies away from the oil sector, allowing them to focus on other aspects of the economy in the private sector. Straying away from oil production, which contributes to 90 percent to its earnings and 42 percent to GDP, will be a challenge but necessary nonetheless. Prince Mohammad plans to transform Saudi Arabia from an oil-dependent kingdom to a better-rounded, less volatile economy.



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Written by: Omar Tarik - First year secondary



Prince Mohammed believes that, “Saudi Arabia needs an advanced financial and capital market open to the world; to this end, we will continue facilitating access to investing and trading in the stock markets, we will smooth the process of listing private Saudi companies and state-owned enterprises”. FDI can transfer savings, technology and managerial expertise to host countries. In doing so, FDI can allow local producers to link into global marketing networks.

At the moment, foreign investors currently own less than 1.3 percent of all listed companies in Saudi Arabia and therefore, can be improved dramatically. Increasing investment will allow Saudi Arabia to increase competition within the economy, which will drive growth in the long-term, as the investments from the private sector will take time to develop. Saudi Arabia aims to more than double the amount of FDI over the next five years, with a focus on mining, education, vocational training, tourism, housing and health.

The Saudi government plans to create the world’s largest sovereign wealth fund, which will hold more than \$2 trillion in assets, making it big enough to purchase the world’s four largest publicly traded companies (Bank of China, China Construction Bank, Agricultural Bank of China and Warren Buffett’s Berkshire Hathaway).

**Manarat  
Jeddah  
Boys**

The 2030 vision is definitely a vision to behold. It has many ambitious goals in all aspects of life in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, including: education, economy and tourism. However, I'll be focusing on education, its importance, how it is now, how I envision it and how I believe we could achieve the vision.

Firstly, education is a main factor in defining a country; there's no advanced country that has a large percentage of illiteracy and that's because knowledge is what led them to innovation and sophistication in all aspects of life.

Secondly, as we stand now, education in the kingdom, as great as it is, is not the best it could be. Some flaws that inhibit progression are: school buildings that are in suboptimal conditions, teachers that are not responsible enough for the honorable position they're in and a starting time too early for brains to receive information.

Still, a few blemishes are nothing to the face of ambition. And as such, some goals that will help improve our education system would be:

- Making schools inviting.
- Raising the amount of kept knowledge per grade.

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Written by: Alaa Almouradi - Grade 11 / C



So then, how do we make schools inviting? Well, we would need to put standards to school buildings, have regular check ups to enforce those standards and having schools start at a time when students aren't fighting to stay awake.

Now to the second goal, raising the amount of kept knowledge. The first part to achieve this is stopping corruption from allowing illiterate students to pass. There are many schools that take money and give full grades. The second part is to teach in an unforgettable way, such as: involving technology, provided to all schools by the government, to make students work to get the information needed and using modern teaching methods that apply scientific principles.

As for individual endeavors regarding education, parents would be incredibly helpful if they taught their children the love of knowledge which would result in learning and pursuing knowledge by themselves without external motivators. It would also help if students casually read the curricula in the time before class starts when no one is doing anything and the teacher is setting up the lesson.

Finally, I believe if we achieve these education goals through these ways, the kingdom will be able to achieve the rest of the 2030 vision's goals in other aspects more easily.

**Manarat  
Jeddah  
Boys**

I believe that tourism is one of the world's largest economic sectors that creates jobs, drives exports, and generates prosperity. Tourism development changes the way people look at a country, and Saudi Arabia is a country that needs such changes. Vision 2030 aims to promote the economic level of Saudi Arabia to equal its position amongst the best economical countries and tourism is one constituent that achieves the aims of vision 2030.

One of the main objectives of vision 2030 is to find income alternatives to the national economy without relying on oil, such as agriculture and export. This supports my vision 2030 that tourism is one constituent that will help to raise the level of the national economy.

There are many types of tourism diversity, but in the meantime, the most common type is religious tourism. There are two types of tourism: domestic tourism such as safari, camping, camel racing, and rock climbing. International tourism includes resorts, traditional carnivals, international competitions, and historical sites.

From my point of view, to promote the level of domestic and international tourism, we should build a new road network, variety of transportation, using the social media to advertise inside and outside the kingdom, organizing trips for schools in the kingdom.

## My vision 2030

Done by: Mohamed Amgad - Grade: 11/B



Henceforth, individuals should adopt these ideas to improve domestic tourism in and out of the kingdom. Individuals have to widen their Intellectual awareness about domestic tourism rather than international tourism to increase their national economy and having people visit touristic sites inside the kingdom rather than outside. Another thing is that they should have knowledge about the geographical sites that will attract tourists in Saudi Arabia. Keeping things green and clean is also one of the top priorities.

Second, organizations and volunteers should support domestic tourism and the projects that will widen the Intellectual awareness of individuals about the importance of domestic tourism to support the national economy. Last but not least, from the awarding prizes that schools offer to students, there should be trips to archeological sites inside KSA and give scholarships to important places like universities in the kingdom.

I hope these ideas will be influential in making Saudi Arabia take the lead in all aspects of prosperity.



Manarat  
AL Riyadh  
Girls

**“ We try to work only with the dreamers:**

**This place is not for conventional people or companies ”.**

**-Saudi’s Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman.**

As the Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman said, this is a place for dreamers only. The Crown Prince has been encouraging the people of his country, especially the young adults, to start thinking out of the box, to excel in all aspects, to enhance the country’s economy, to unite their efforts in order to accomplish Saudi Arabia’s goals, and to build the future of this country. It must come to no one as a surprise that things are radically changing. Change is evident in the quality of life, public investments, privatization programs, etc. As a Saudi Arabian young adult, I am overwhelmed with and excited for the changes that I am seeing with my own eyes.

I have designed my vision to be in line with my country’s vision, as follows, I chose to be specialized in cyber security, a branch of computer science which will be needed in the future Saudi job market. Cyber security is a nouvelle profession in the kingdom of Saudi Arabia which has been only recently introduced to the country. However, cyber security plays a major role in the 2030 vision. According to the 2030 vision, all government sector operations will be transformed to secure e-government platforms.

## My vision 2030

By: Dana Mohammad Al-Onazi



The purpose of cyber security is to protect information, thus emphasizing the importance of this field in the future of the Kingdom. Moreover, introducing this new profession will result in more available jobs for the people of the country, women and men alike, which serves one of the most important goals of the Vision: to increase job opportunities. Therefore, I feel this specialty serves my level for Saudi Arabia's 2030 vision.

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is changing and at an incredible rate. To say it's an honor for me to be a part of the vision and to be one of the many young adults that are ready to do their best for their country would be an understatement. Indeed, the 2030 Vision has established hope of a promising and wonderful future for the Kingdom and its people, a future that dreamers will achieve and make a reality.

**Manarat  
AL Riyadh  
Girls**

As the world continues to evolve, each country must set goals to meet the standards of success of the world. Saudi Arabia, therefore, introduced the vision of 2030. The vision's main goals are to have: a vibrant society, a thriving economy, and an ambitious nation. In my opinion, having participating citizens is the most important. As the rest of the goals rely heavily on the civilians' own motivation to cooperate.

In the same way, a competent government is essential; an attentive citizen is, also necessary for the advancement of society. For example, one of the reasons South Africa fell apart in 1904, is their failure to recognize the true potential their citizens had. As a result; South Africans were condemned to work as unskilled laborers at low wages. Fortunately, the government of Saudi Arabia realized the importance of acknowledging their citizens' capabilities and planned to leverage it in the future. Among the goals is having responsibly enabled citizens, which is done by raising the non-profit sector's contribution to GDP from less than 1% to 5%, rallying one million volunteers per year, and most importantly, increasing household savings from 6% to 10% of total household income.



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Manal Ghazi Almoutairi



To raise the volunteers' number, the government should offer a day off for employees every month, for every 8 hours of volunteering. To address the issue of increasing household savings, the government ought to enforce extra taxes on unnecessary luxuries; there will be a significant reduction with needless spending. In that respect, the journey in achieving such greatness will be hard, but it would certainly be worth the hardships.

Now, the number of volunteers is 11 thousand per year, household savings are 6% of the total income, and the non-profit sector's contribution is one of the lowest in the world. Our country still has a long way to go to fulfill their plans for the future, but with each individual's support; those plans will flourish in the best way possible. In conclusion, we must assert the importance of citizens' cooperation and recognize the potential of Saudi Arabia.



Manarat  
AL Riyadh  
Boys

**Evolution:** Everything's way of surviving in this world. To not evolve is to stand still in a race, a race that rewards as we keep going, rewards determined by its competitors, the race of life. For people, it's usually happiness and money that keeps them going, but for countries, it's everything: A strong economy, technological advancement, power, and all that makes it more dominant.

Saudi Arabia has received help from a very powerful ally for most of its years: Oil, which has provided a headstart and the means to stay afloat all this time. The fact of the matter is that our dear ally is growing weaker by the day.

When this valuable resource runs out as it eventually will, The kingdom will no longer have the safe boat it has been sailing on for the past decades. We need a sturdier, bigger and better cruise ship to hold up against the waves of time.

We need to evolve to be economically sustainable.

Economic sustainability translates directly into a higher quality of life and for that we need drastic changes: Working on supporting national manufacturing,

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Abdullah Alfawaz



exporting more products and depending less on imported goods than we currently are. Furthermore, Saudi Arabia can be a big tourist attraction that would - unlike, say, the UAE- focus on its natural scenery more than common-place urban experiences to draw eyes to it. It all comes down to finding alternative sources of income to replace oil.

Our rulers will lead and guide, but for Saudi Arabia to achieve all of that it needs us, the people, to realise what our duties towards this massive evolutionary step are. The least citizens can do is support local businesses. Individuals or groups can start businesses of their own and Saudi consumers Choosing KSA-made products over others can make a big difference.

The state of our country isn't great. Being still dependent on oil and other countries. We are struggling to educate and edify properly, too, leaving people not being able to think critically, To look at the facts and see the bigger, more important picture. Nonetheless, we are changing. We are learning, thinking, we are adapting.

Seeing my country take major steps in the right direction from now makes me happy. It makes me more confident that this nation will not lose the race nor be overshadowed. It will thrive as our Kingdom, The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

**Al Hussan  
Jubail Girls**

Saudi Arabia has developed the vision 2030 to move the country towards a better future, with more fruitful and luxurious life. This vision aims at developing the social, technological, educational, financial and health status of people all over the country. With many fields to work on, education plays an enormous role in succeeding the vision.

In my point of view, education is the most essential aspect for achieving one of the main vision goals, which is preparing students for future jobs. Education encourages independence, and social safety, opens up investment opportunities, and generates new professions. Also, it is hard to develop any other aspect of life without a good educational base.

In fact, there is a need for the current educational system to go through some improvements to be able to generate well-educated people who are the key for better and faster growth. There is a need for more experienced teachers and more effective teaching, learning and assessment processes. Schools and colleges need to be equipped with modern supplies and technology. Although these developments and improvements are costly and time-consuming, they are considered the best investment on the long run.

## My Vision 2030

Written by: Eman Askar



In addition, I think improving the educational system needs work on one more important area which is the curriculum. It needs constant updating to cope with the new scientific and social changes in the society. New educational programs need to be developed to enhance the learning of higher- order skills, such as: problem solving, critical thinking, cooperation, group learning, creativity...etc. Examples of effective teaching strategies are: urging students to search for information, incorporating fun into learning, discussions, practices and applications.

Individuals (teachers and parents) should take the steps of our vision seriously and do all the little things they can do for student for maximum outcome. such as: keeping a healthy life, rewarding students with encouraging gifts, providing constructive and actionable feedback... etc.

In conclusion, I would like to portrait my vision of the future of Saudi Arabia. I hope to see it as a well-educated country with a prosperous economy, and sophisticated environments that foster raising creative minds, and collaborative communities. The better the education the better the generation the better the future.

**Manarat  
Al Madinah  
Girls**

The development of cities in Saudi Arabia is certainly one of the key aspects of vision 2030.

Already being one of the safest countries with a crime rate of 0.8. Our country has come a long way but, nonetheless, I believe that we still have some work to do in order to continue growing and improving the quality of life for the citizens of this prosperous country.

One of the essential parts of any city around the world is public transportation. Which includes:

taxis, buses, and trains. It's considered to be extremely convenient and important for a better life quality for a number of reasons. Firstly, the use of public transportation lowers traffic congestion due to fewer individual private cars being used. Which in turn, reduces air pollution.

In addition to that, public transport provides mobility to people who aren't able to drive such as people with disabilities or children and teenagers. Whether it be getting to school or just to run errands. But most importantly, it increases access to employment by lowering the cost of living and transportation. Currently, in Saudi Arabia, the use of public transportation isn't very common.

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Zaina Eid Al-Mohammady - 11th Grade



Most people get around by private cars driven by personal drivers, which is costly and not all people can afford it. It also increases traffic tremendously. There are a number of ways we can make public transportation more accessible and customary. For starters, there should be bus stops at every neighborhood to make it easier for people to reach them. Also, public transportation companies should design applications that can be downloaded on your mobile phone that show bus stops near you, what time they leave and the routes they take. In addition, taxi cabs should be rejuvenated since most of the cars used are old and worn out. Also, a lot of them don't have working meters so there needs to be a strict policy on them in order to make riding them a lot safer.

A lot of people aren't aware of how beneficial using public transportation is, so we definitely need to spread it around. We can achieve that by talking about it in schools, putting posters up around cities and offering things such as free WI-FI on board to get people to ride on public transport, for a safer, more convenient and eco-friendly environment.



Al Hussan  
school - Girls  
Jubail

The Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman introduced a new plan for Saudi Arabia called “Saudi Vision 2030.” Its purpose is to reduce the country’s dependence on oil, diversify its economy, develop public service sectors such as education, health, recreation, and provide a safe and modern lifestyle.

The Saudi educational system aims to ensure that students are prepared for life and work in the modern world, while meeting the countries religious, social and economic needs. All around the world, including Saudi Arabia, education is not supposed to be just reading and writing. It is about using education for their advantage and utilizing that knowledge for their growth.

Saudi Arabia ranks as the largest market for education services in the region and it also accounts for a growing number of students enrolled in k-12. The government support over the past few years has led to the continuous expansion of the education sector by inviting private players to enter the space.

In the future, we need to develop modern education like “E-learning”, which provides a more open-minded community, gives the children a chance to express their creativity and lastly, easily reaches the numbers of special needs children who are denied from their rights, sometimes, due to their moving abilities.



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Safiya Al-ansari - 10th grade



The country is to build the identity of the student to provide Islamic, national and intellectual knowledge. This could happen by motivating citizenship , supporting its initiatives and encountering the challenges that deter its progress. It's crucial

for every Saudi child to understand what the country's needs are, and to have the determination to spread peace around the world.

Furthermore, I believe that the Ministry of Education has to work towards developing criteria for teacher selection and qualification. If students are to learn, they need to feel secure in their instructional environment. Thus, personal connection that an educator makes with students assists in creating a trusting relationship and conveying a sense of value and respect .

Finally, the country should make education more affordable. Saudi colleges and universities must expand and be financially manageable. Young people want more and better education than what they are getting. Now many Saudis aspire for a college degree which opens the door wide for them for better job opportunities. I hope that by 2030 my country will have an educational system that is attractive yet well-structured to meet the needs of the generations to come.

**Manarat  
Al Khobar  
Boys**

The 2030 Vision was established in April 2016. Its aim, to modernize Saudi Arabia and to make it an influential and competitive global player in the 21st century. The 2030 vision focuses on a number of key areas; these include: a shift in the dependency of oil, moving towards using renewable sources of energy e.g. solar energy, hydroelectric and wind energy; development of public services such as health care, education and tourism; employment creation to meet the needs of the majority of young Saudi population. The Vision is spearheaded by Crown Prince Mohammad Bin Salman (MBS).

Saudi Arabia is undergoing rapid reform. Saudi women are inclusive in this change. They are now playing a much greater role in society and are helping to shape and build a modern Saudi Arabia. Women are also allowed to attend sporting events like football. In addition, a royal decree granted permission to allow women to drive vehicles which has been a dream for women to do in Saudi Arabia.

The entertainment sector is also undergoing huge reforms. The plan includes attracting entertainment from all over the world into the Kingdom. Many popular singers have already performed in Saudi Arabia.

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Feras Al Zeraah



The famous American show, World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE), has also performed in Saudi Arabia, 2018. The government has invested over 2 billion dollars in entertainment. This money has been budgeted for the development of cinemas and theatres. The first cinema was established in Riyadh in which selective western films were aired to the public. The response from the public was highly positive; Therefore, more cinemas are too opened in other areas around the kingdom.

Modernization of roads and transportation is taking place throughout the Kingdom. Huge investments in housing and business have been made in all major cities throughout Saudi Arabia including: Riyadh, Jeddah, Mecca, Medina to name but a few. Furthermore, they are going to make a Trans system to make people transport faster and in a more efficient way.

In conclusion, one can only foresee a modern Saudi Arabia where the economy is thriving and highly beneficial for citizens. Saudi Arabia will be a magnified part of the world like non other, attracting tourists, businessmen, women and investors from all corners of the globe.

**Manarat  
Al Madinah  
Boys****What is Vision 2030?**

The Saudi Arabian Vision 2030 is a long-term plan that focuses on different aspects, some of which are reducing oil dependence, diversifying the economy, and developing and upgrading multiple public service sectors, which includes tourism, education, health, recreation, infrastructure and entertainment.

Arguably, the most important aspect when it comes to the Saudi Arabian culture is the entertainment business, as it's the main attraction to many international visitors and local residents .

Saudi Arabia is planning to expand its entertainment business by investing on multiple businesses, both local and international, which include opening up national libraries, museums and different cultural events. On May 7th, 2016, King Salman bin Abdulaziz announced a royal decree that included 67 total announcements, one of those announcements included creating The General Authority of Entertainment.

The General Authority of Entertainment.

After the announcement of the new General Authority of Entertainment, Saudi Arabia released new statistics and The Authority's mission. Studies show that Saudi Arabians spend 22 Million Dollars in tourism outside of the country, in result, Saudi Arabia's planning to transform 25% of that spending into local entertainment businesses in order to create a more growing entertainment and tourism economy,

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Abdulrahman Albeladi



The General Authority of Entertainment released an entertainment calendar called “Roznamah” which is used to compile multiple different events happening throughout the country, there are over 100+ different 3 events which include The Lion King musical, different hologram and non-hologram concerts, and even E-Sports.

### **My opinion on Vision 2030.**

My outlook on Vision 2030 has been nothing but positive, it's a revolutionary change that will definitely be remembered for ages, not just for the entertainment business, but for the entirety of the country in general.

Saudi Arabia's promise to deliver different incredible events like WWE's Greatest Royal Rumble have been amazing, and there are no signs of stopping anytime soon, especially with the recent announcements of JAY-Z's concerts, The Color Run and even The Marvel Experience.

I'm extremely pleased with Vision 2030 and I'm so proud of my country.

### **What can we do to contribute?**

In order to contribute to the development of this sector, we can plan out a community event and have it officially licensed by the government via the authority's website, we can also share feedback about the event via stands inside of the event and discuss future events we wish to see on Twitter.

**Noor  
Al Eslam  
Boys**

Decades ago and specifically in 1932, an arid desert was unified under the name Saudi Arabia, without the awareness of what these lands were hiding.

It's the most precious treasure on this earth, it's the fossil fuels. But unfortunately, it is non-renewable resources and its hazards have increased recently.

So, will Saudi Arabia remain fully relied on these non-renewable resources?

What really raises concerns in the long term with the use of non-renewable resources is their lack of sustainability. Eventually, these limited resources will either run out or become too difficult to find.

Burning coal are responsible of 50% of harmful emissions . According to Makkah newspaper, the average of gasoline consumption in KSA has increased 32% over the previous year.

These non-renewable resources of energy can be replaced by other sources to help KSA in its forthcoming renaissance. Therefore, we can use water over and over to generate electricity.

Renewable energy produces about 60 times less carbon and harmful emissions than the fossil fuels.

Last but not least, solar panels can help in reducing harmful gases to a high range. Besides that, KSA has a great sun with an incredible free space.

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Waleed Zakariya Al-Abtah



However, the cost for setting up effective windmills are high.

Moreover, renewable sources can be harmless to the environment, but the facilities to extract them out are not. They are also not the easiest to use. Nevertheless, I strongly believe that renewable resources are exactly what Saudi Arabia needs.

Saudi Arabia can overcome the cost by sharing civil community in building these renewable stations and windmills.

To quote a phrase from ahmad al shegari “united we stand, divided we fall”. In other words, we need to help each other and stay as a one hand to finish this issue up, children should be taught from an early age how to preserve the environment so they can grow up with this culture. Another key to remember is that specialized institutions should provide cities with special machines for variant types of wastes and recyclable materials.

To conclude, renewable resources are our hope in the future. We have to leave this world better than we found it, for our generation and the generations to come.

**Manarat  
Al Khobar  
Boys**

No doubt that the Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman leads the KSA towards modernization so as to achieve welfare and prosperity to his Saudi population in the 21st century. Prince Mohammed's vision is a comprehensive plan to the KSA in the coming decade to be among the progressive and advanced countries that lead the world. Education is basic pillar in the detailed plan of the ambitious Prince to achieve his ends and ultimate goals in a very short period. Well prepared teachers and revolutionary curricula are the fundamental steps to reform the Saudi education to be the base of the new renaissance. I think that 100% of the Saudi populations support the Prince's vision.

Teachers are considered the back bone of the educational system so that they should be prepared in a perfect way to achieve these goals. The 2030 vision aims to prepare the teachers who are able to encounter the challenges of the 21st century. The 2030 vision doesn't only prepare the teachers properly but it aims to save teacher perfect conditions to give them a chance to create, too. Educational administrations hold seminars, courses, workshops and conferences to inform teachers the most modern methods and techniques of learning. What is more, the Saudi ministry of education equipped all the classes with the most recent educational devices such as smart boards; data show devices and air conditioners to comfort the teachers as well as the students.



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Kareem Mohamed Elsayed Mishaal



Moreover, teachers are gifted scholarships to be aware of the latest theories in learning all over the world and to make use of the experiences of the successful progressive countries in the field of education. The ministry is going to increase the teachers' salaries gradually in order to save teachers excellent standards of living.

In addition to the previous steps to develop the Saudi education, 2030 vision gives the students a top role to take the KSA towards modernization. Today's students are so important that 2030 vision exert all efforts to qualify them to be good citizens and skillful leaders and scientists. Huge amounts of money are spent through Mawheba Programmes to prepare unique future leaders who are able to make the difference in their country. What's more, the majority of Mawheba students are sent to the USA and European countries to prepare them internationally so they share their ideas and thoughts with other students from different countries. Taking part in the global competitions is a very essential step to take the lead in Middle East and compete with the developed countries.

In short, 2030 Vision is considered the ambitious plan to build the society of science and technology through building and bringing up cultured and educated generation. In my opinion, this vision requires the cooperation of all classes of society and the criticism of scholars and specialists from time to time to modify or add something new.

**Al Salam  
Boys**

Vision 2030 has been a huge topic, not just for the country that it will mostly affect, but the whole world. The said Vision promises Saudi Arabia a bright future. However, many countries fear this.

So, should we continue with this path? There is no question that we have faced many road bumps along our way, but what we are doing is an idea of great ambition.

And noting with this level of ambition comes to be without problems in its path. Past reforms have had moderate results. However, we have seen drastic changes with this very Vision so far in so little time.

Such as allowing women to drive, giving more job opportunities for Saudis to better serve our economy, less reliance on oil etc. One of the most important goals is to prepare our country and our economy to keep going on when oil dries by increasing our non-oil resources to help us to stop depending on our oil reserves.

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Wail Oteibi



We also must get prepared to the raising of elderly ages from 74 to 80 years old. We ought to achieve a balanced economy. Visions' results do not usually appear in the first years of implementing them.

However, the results of the Saudi vision have started to appear in Saudi Arabia in 2019 after a few years since the government announced the start of implementing it. For instance, the income of the non-oil products has already risen by 30% since last year and it is expected to rise even higher in the upcoming few years, as well as the reorganization of the gas prices to match the global prices.

In my humble opinion, our country's economy will not be as safe as it is now without this very vision. We should continue along this path, no country could stop us from being a strong, powerful country. No matter how they try, they cannot stop our will.

With the power of our will, and the power of Allah, we will achieve this.

## Dharhan Ahliyyah Girls

Our Saudi Arabian Community is vital for a life of forthcoming aspiration, strive and hunger for prosperity. The community is significant to envision the 2030 Vision; the vision our country is optimistic towards fulfilling.

A country's community promotes its future development and sustainability. **Alrasheedy, (n.d) mentioned** in 2016 approximately 40% of all citizens below the age of 35 had no steady form of employment. Therefore, when numerous citizens in the community were unemployed, the whole consumer nation was affected. employees lost income, the country lost production and expenditure. With such a strong negative impact, a society acknowledging and calling for employment serves to diminish the effect and rather promote growing the economy.

Currently, our society through powerful citizens faces the issue of open-mindedness. In fact, Open-mindedness in accepting other ethnicities, or perusing what is rare. Opening the minds of us Saudi's is critical. We are passionate. Handworkers. A unique community as we stand strong to our religion in all what we do. We are a community who wants to strive however, carries a weight of restriction to consider different views and methods other than what we're used to.

## My vision 2030

Written by Layan Al-Jandan



Moreover, the goals that I think contribute to change in the Saudi Arabian community are various. Firstly, the generation of diverse platforms that incorporate communication between skilled adults, and our optimistic youth is noteworthy. In fact, a program called “COMMUNICATE” could be created by the country to give high-schoolers a chance to gain guidance by experienced adults; by being matched through answered surveys.

Secondly, identifying shortcoming fields in Saudi Arabia and directing passionate individuals towards improving these fields is important. Additionally, the country could generate a website that displays needed candidates in future jobs to soon accomplish economic diversification .

Thirdly, giving awareness toward local matters for national identity to solve these issues is another fundamental aim. One way I’m trying to aim for this goal is by establishing a project which goals for a TED in Ithra titled, “let’s talk on a national level”. Dominant figures in our society will speak about present issues, in society such as racism. Moreover, the country can also contribute by sponsoring public assemblies accommodated by special consultants to have a space to have a conversation about sensitive, avoided matters.

Our Saudi Arabian society is the roots that are being watered to cultivate, flourish, and grow. The community is the aspect of life we aim to enhance in the year 2030.

**Manarat  
Rabigh  
Boys**

The kingdom of Saudi Arabia has been granted many factors and natural resources such as oil, gas, metal and agriculture fortune that make it has the leading position among Arab and foreign countries around the world. The KSA has a special status among Arabs as it is the Qiblah of all Muslims. On 25th April, the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia Mohammed bin Salman, the young Minister of Defense, announced "Saudi Arabia Vision 2030". It was planned by the government for a future without oil.

Our Vision 2030, one of its strategic goals, has highly dominated the growing unemployment rate by reducing it from 11.6 percent to 7 percent. The Saudi government plans to establish collaborations with private sector companies that will be based on the vision. Vision will arrange a schedule to train and qualify Saudis to compete in the labour market. Achieving this aim through two main elements: First, economic development which leads to providing more job opportunities attracted by the Saudi youth, and the other is to increase the partnership of women in the labor market. To my mind, any Saudi will feel safe as he will undoubtedly have his dream career in the future without the fear of losing it.

## My vision 2030

Ahmad Qadi



Saudi Arabia has excessively relied on oil production for long time, in the last decade oil prices have surprisingly decreased by more than 50 per cent which has caused a negative impact on the economy. As a result of this, our state's budget has been passively affected. Wherefore, we have to seek for other resources. The vision seriously aims to increase non-oil income. Therefore, Saudi Arabia will reckon on solar power and establish a solar power complex in the north of the country. Moreover, Saudi Arabia has tended to investment into Egypt and Sudan. In my opinion, rising non-oil revenues will significantly benefit individuals and the society to meet their general and private needs.

To sum up, the Saudi Vision is an "aspirant " plan, as illustrated by the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdul Aziz. It enables us to overcome the obstacles facing the Saudi economy. Even if the implementation of the vision will last for long, away from the bureaucracy and provide information about them reference that Saudi Arabia willingly has the ability to lead and achieve its declared goals.

**Manarat  
Al Riyadh  
Boys**

During the last couple of years, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has been slowly evolving and growing. Most signs of evolution and growth are apparent like the metro being worked on around the city of Riyadh, and raised prices of petrol to limit cars on the road. Other signs are more subtle and are the base work of the vision of 2030. Which is a plan to reduce our dependence on the black gold (oil), and to diversify our economy.

As it is now, unemployment rates for young Saudi's are dangerously high, this is due to high influx of immigrant dominating the SME (small and medium enterprises) market, the 2030 Vision hopes to achieve many ambitious goals set by the KSA to increase the percentage of employed Saudis.

One of the pillars of The Vision is to make a vibrant community and its goals already have strong roots in our society, it's necessary to increase the number of individuals exercising at least once a week from 13% of the population to 40%. There are very ambitious goals for the nation that, although aren't necessary, are nonetheless still pursued, these goals make the second pillar of The Vision, among the more important of these goals is to increase non-oil government revenue from 163 billion SAR to 1 trillion SAR, raise the non-profit sector's contribution to GDP from less than 1% to 5%.



## My vision 2030

Abdulrahman Al Sheheeb



The final pillar of The Vision is to ensure our nation has a diverse and thriving economy, the most important goal to achieve is to increase the private sector's contribution from 40% to 65% of GDP and to raise the share of non-oil exports in non-oil GDP from 16% to 50% of our total exports, lastly we hope to increase women's participation in the workforce from 22% to 30% which will also help in the goal to lower the unemployment rate.

Citizens can contribute to this development in a number of ways. Housing units could have solar panels installed (which decrease in cost every year), taking programming courses (provided free of cost by the government), and in the future, when electric cars are more accessible, a switch to a more eco-friendly transportation method would be possible. This will bring much needed economic change and focus on the community like job availability for the female workforce as the country develops.

**Noor  
Al Islam  
Boys**

Nowadays, Saudi Arabia is facing radical changes from restructuring and developments. In 25th of April 2016, The Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman has formed a vision which aims to reduce Saudi Arabia's dependence on oil, diversify its economy, and develop public service sectors such as health, education, infrastructure, recreation, and tourism, etcetera. Therefore, as a Saudi nation, we have to cooperate for our future.

As an individual from the great nation, I would like to lead Saudi Arabia to greatness. We all perceive that Allah the Almighty has blessed on our lands. Therefore, the energy future must be accessible, affordable and mainly sustainable. Actually, there is a huge demand for energy worldwide, and 80 % of the present energy use is based on fossil fuels. Not only are oil prices increasing but also pollution continues to rise upon the burning of fossil fuels, and the probability of oil supply depletion remains.

Although the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is playing a major role on producing and exporting fuels, and represents one of the biggest consumers of petroleum in the Middle East, Saudi Arabia should be interested in taking a serious part in the development and exploitation of renewable energy technologies. Despite the fact that Saudi Arabia take up a very advanced rank in the world in terms of huge proven oil and gas reserves but it still has a great risk indemand on it. This theme describes the current circumstances of energy and focuses on renewable and energy-efficient technologies, and current government policies and challenges.

Towards the greatness a critical part of the solution is to rely heavily on renewable energy technologies in order to address concerns about energy security, economic growth in the face of high prices of crude oil, competitiveness, health costs and environmental degradation.

## My vision 2030 - Towards the greatness

Yousef Khaled Alshayji - Grade 10



All of these issues stimulate the investigation of using renewable energy, which has several unique advantages that should be taken into consideration when making a comparison with oil-based alternatives.

Besides, achieving self-stabilization in energy is a target that is now widely recognized as important to humankind. In this context, renewable energy resources such as solar, wind and geothermal energy incept appears to be one of the most efficient and effective ways of achieving this goal since renewable energy is plentiful universally and carries huge ecological and economic promise.

For instance, nuclear power, many countries can approach energy independence by dealing with it. Additionally, many nuclear reactor designs can provide high-quality process heat in addition to electricity, which can in turn be used to desalinate water, prepare hydrogen for fuel cells, among many other industrial processes.

Moreover, with the advancement of technology, the scientists found a solution to the disposal of radioactive waste so there is nothing to fear about it.

In conclusion, our nation is ambitious in what we want to achieve.

We will apply efficiency and responsibility at all levels. We will also prepare the right environment for our people, for the private sector, and for the non-profit sector to take their responsibilities and take the initiative actions towards greatness.

**Al Saalam  
Girls**

Vision 2030 is one of the things that struck pride in me as a Saudi citizen. There was one goal in particular that caught my attention: to achieve a vibrant society with strong roots.

I believe that Saudi culture is a gem in its own way, it is a culture that contains values that could be respected by people all around the globe. The vision that was proposed in that area fascinated and excited me. Because our real identity lies within our history and faith.

Islam is a huge part of Saudi culture. Saudi Arabia contains Makkah; the capital of Islam because it contains the heart of Islam the Kaaba. Muslims from all around the globe travel to Saudi Arabia to perform the pilgrimage, a necessity for every Muslim to perform. The Saudi government takes pride in handling the responsibility of catering to our fellow brothers and sisters in Islam needs to perform the pilgrimage while also easing the process of the pilgrimage by expanding and modernizing the facilities, and easing the process of applying for a visa. This is an honor that Allah bestowed upon us as Muslims. I believe this action will strengthen the unification and bond between our Muslim brothers and sisters in Islam.

## My vision 2030

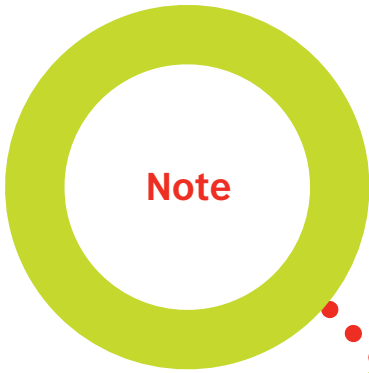
Mashaal AlManhool



As Saudi citizens, we are united by our culture as well. Every spot in Saudi Arabia carries different traditions and different dialects, But we are unified by our origin. King Abdulaziz convinced the distinguished tribes to pledge to his alliance so he can unify the land and become its rightful ruler. Later then creating a legacy, allowing his children to rule the kingdom with prosperity and peace. King Abdulaziz's story is a story that we pride ourselves with telling. Unfortunately, a huge part of that culture was buried and forgotten. I felt relieved when Vision 2030 proposed that we should take that part of our culture and turn it into something we can share with the outside world.

The proposal contained plans of making museums and modernizing historical landmarks by building facilities around them so that we can spread the legacy that King Abdulaziz created.

I truly believe that as Saudi citizens, we should take pride in this vision for it pertains to our sole identities as Saudis, because this goal, in particular, that was proposed, was what made me realize that I am in fact proud to be Saudi.



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Diplomatic Quarter

### **Female Centre**

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Diplomatic Quarter

## **Jeddah**

### **Male Centre**

East Tower, 4th Floor, Farsi Centre,  
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### **Female Centre**

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## **Al-Khobar**

### **Male & Female Centre**

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