I, Robot essay

Text:  I, Robot, by Isaac Asimov

Guiding Questions

What year was this book written?
What was the status of robots in society when this book was written?
What are some of the technical issues raised in these stories?
What are some of the ethical issues raised in these stories?
What do you think of the profession of the one of the main characters, Robot Psychologist?
Think of some of the ways Asimov predicted current events. Are there places where he missed the mark?

Assignment

Describe the chronology of the development and use of robots in society. Include the advent of the use of robots, and how they have developed to current-day usage. Point out examples from Asimov’s stories of the technical or ethical issues that have arisen as the use of robots has increased. In your concluding section, make a prediction about how robots will be used 25 years from now, and make an attempt to identify issues that will arise as a result of their use.