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Social Networking

Throughout the development of higher technology, youths today are missing out on what's happening around them in the real world such as social gatherings of friends and family and is leading them away from interacting with that by the issue that our generation today many people have their brains focused on what's happening inside the digital world. The articles, "AntiSocial networking", "Is Social Media Driving people away from Real Interaction?", and "Teenagers on socialization and self-esteem", show the way social media impacts one's life. Social Media is an on-growing system and through research and gathering data, people are finding what are the negative and positive impacts on youth in this current generation. Social media has a negative impacts of their way of becoming or being anti social, having social media anxiety, and the process of lowering self-esteem.

To begin with, even though young digital learners are establishing new tech skills in their daily life, they are very weak in face-to-face human contact skills with those talking to them. In the first resource, resource B, "Two thirds of the texters surveyed by the center's Internet & American Life project said they were more likely to use their cellphones to text friends than to call them." Apparently this is saying that the people that were surveyed are more likely to choose a via text discussion than having one to be verbally spoken to face-to-face, But what's the impact on these users? Beside having a difficult time speaking face-to-face on social media, social media also carries its negative dark side. "cyberbullying and sexting have overshadowed a look into the really nuanced things about the way technology is affecting the closeness properties of friendship," By these dirty distinguished negative things on social media, it may change the nature of children's bonds and friendships with others. The influence of social media is mostly upon our young users that are missing out on great experiences that can be maybe a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity or building stronger relationships among themselves and others outside the little bright screen that catches our minds into a whole new world.

Consequently, The purpose of social media was intended to help people share important information and do business much faster among other reasons. But recently users have been building up social media anxiety on the

internet. According to resource D, "UK study from the fall found that over 50% of social media users evaluated their participation in social networking as having an overall negative effect on their lives." This can eventually build up by the content they see on their feed by comparing themselves to people they follow for example, models, famous celebrity figures and even outstanding accomplishments their old or current peers have achieved lowering their own self-esteem without having a single clue that it's them who are bringing themselves down. They're stuck in their own traps. "It seems that not only are we using these devices to hide from social gatherings, but the use of social media on a lone basis (in other words, those who rely on social media for their social and cultural stimulation) find it increasingly difficult to not only socialize in situations where it is called for, but they are generally more depressed and anxious in actual social situations." Those who rely much on social media on a daily basis often have trouble at social gatherings coming back to the issue of also having a hard time having a fluent ongoing conversation face-to-face. There are going to be times where they won't be able to connect to the internet because with a wifi network or data on their electronic device leads to no social media interaction, dodging social situations making them feel generally depressed and anxious. The influences of social media content upon our young users doesn't only affect their minds mentally on how they see things and think but on the part of personal lives too.

Formerly, The use of social media in modern-day youth is an ever-growing phenomenon, resulting in interest to want to discover the impact and attention grabber social media has on the youth. Surveys and questionnaires were also used to determine how cyberbullying on social networking sites affected teenagers. "The use of social media leads to cyberbullying, which leads to depression, thoughts of suicide, and sadness." Cyberbullying is common issue among social media that just starts small such as name calling and minor aggressive gestures but throughout time the problem gets bigger and it starts getting into a more serious issue about the safety of the individual when it comes to suicidal related topics. "Leads to suicide, which is the third leading cause of death among young people ages 15-24." As stated, there a more young users on social media websites than older people with acknowledgement about internet safety but since our young ones are just getting started on this new digital sequence they don't know much and enjoy it in whatever use they wish to use it in but as the dark side of social media cyberbullying targets young adults ion the ages of 15-24 which leads to the accomplishment of suicide making it the third most leading cause of death. The

influences of social media content upon our young users aren't always positive impacts on their self-esteem; most of their actions online are negative.

To conclude, social media is an on-growing system and through research and gathering data, people are finding what are the negative and positive impacts on youth in this current generation. There are more negative impacts of social media on the development of teenagers than there are positive impacts. A person with an interaction of shaping our society and with different beliefs about this topic would say that these negative impacts are not the results of social media itself; rather they are the result of the actions and decisions that people make while using these social media sites.