

Technology is Growing
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About one hundred thirty years ago, the first telephone was in the process of being invented. Today, about ninety percent of people in the U.S. own and use a cellular device. This colossal amount of people includes kids, adults, and teens. As technology grows, cell phones and the Internet are becoming increasingly distracting in people's lives and it causes them to be antisocial. Technology is damaging to numerous people's social lives outside of technology. This problem continues to advance, and it only gets worse as the growth of technology continues to increase.

The way people used to communicate with each other was through writing letters to one another. Instead, nowadays about half of smartphone users send at least fifty texts messages a day. When teens text, they use "shortcuts" to say things, and they often forget to use punctuation. When they attend school and they are assigned to write a paper or essay, teachers have reported to see the word "you" being used as "u", and that is just one of many vocabulary errors that we can blame on texting. Adults between the ages eighteen and twenty four send around one thousand five hundred texts per month. The main problem is teenager's use of language, although adults don't tend to do this as much. According to dailycal.org the use of technology effects your mood and it makes school easier with translating apps, as well as making it harder for kids in the classroom to focus.

Social media plays a big role in the use of cellular devices and the Internet. Eighty one percent of kids and teens have and use social media. Having cell phones makes it easy to access to social media. However, about forty percent of people under the age of eighteen have been bullied online, and seventy one percent of kids and teens have seen it happen. Social media makes it a lot easier to bully kids online because you aren't doing it face to face. You can also bully people anonymously, so it can't be traced back to the person who is doing it. Another situation is kids and teens have made fake accounts to bully others and make fun of them. Kids who are and have been bullied have said that it occurred more often once they got to the age where everyone had cell phones. Technology is partially at fault for kids and teens being made fun online and on social media.

People say that advanced technology is great and it's very convenient that we can text and call people instantly. In some cases that may be true if you're just looking to send a quick text or phone call, but an abundant amount of people are talking and texting for hours. There is especially a big risk with talking on the cell phone for a long period of time. One result is brain tumors. The radiation from the phone causes this when the phone is against the head for a long time. Today a majority of teens spend about seven hours on their phones, tablets, or computers a day. This includes playing games, texting, phone calls, and social media.

Technology distracts a large amount of people from their reality. People have become too involved in their phones, the Internet, and having the newest updates on social media. Texting has hurt many people's social lives and has caused them to become isolated from other things that are really happening in their lives. The use of cell phones, computers and the Internet only makes it easier for kids and teens to get bullied by one another. The number of people's use of technology continues to get bigger and is only getting worse.