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MODERN SOCIALIZATION

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Facebook, Twitter, Instagram. What do you think they have in common? Right! They are all popular social networking sites. Have you ever thought of the reason why these social networking sites have become so appealing not only to the present generation but also to the old ones as well?

Social networking sites help users to keep in touch with their loved ones and their friends wherever they may be situated. With these sites, one can find out about the people whom they are concerned about are doing. One can establish a connection for as long as there is an internet access from their place.

Networking sites also allow its users to make new friends from different parts of the world. They become a commonplace for socialization and open up new avenues for establishing friendship with other people who share the same interests, knowledge and beliefs. As we all know, man is a social being and shall always remain as one. Man needs to interact with others and this need is being satisfied by the existence of all these social networking sites. However, this should not replace real-life socialization. Online socialization is way different from personal interaction with other people.

In addition, social networking sites also provide a platform for individuals who want to express their feelings and ideas toward specific issue, event or topic. People could also easily post a website or blog on these sites that would serve as their representation to the online world. These sites give its users the freedom of choice and expression.





However, while there are quite a number of benefits that we could reap from all these social networking sites, there are also dangers associated with having one. People are susceptible to identity theft, cyber bullying and invasion of privacy, to name a few.

While some may view these social networking sites as detrimental to the overall well-being of an individual, we cannot argue with the fact that these sites have become the modern way of socializing, in building relationships and fulfilling the social needs of every individual in one way or another.

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