T1 Assessment

Sociology of Youth

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Part 1

1.A Social Forces

A. Mass Media

Mass Media is the social force that has a greater influence on my life.It is the first time in history, individuals can convey their opinions on just about anything. Putting myself out in the world gave me a sense of existence.

How did it start?

When I started my YouTube channel, I didn't expect much from it. It was just a hobby, something to keep me happy and creative in my spare time. Talking about my first video it took me 12 sets to make a 2 minute long video. I fumbled a lot, I thought of giving up every single time I failed but somehow in the course of 2 months I managed to record more than 40+ tutorials.

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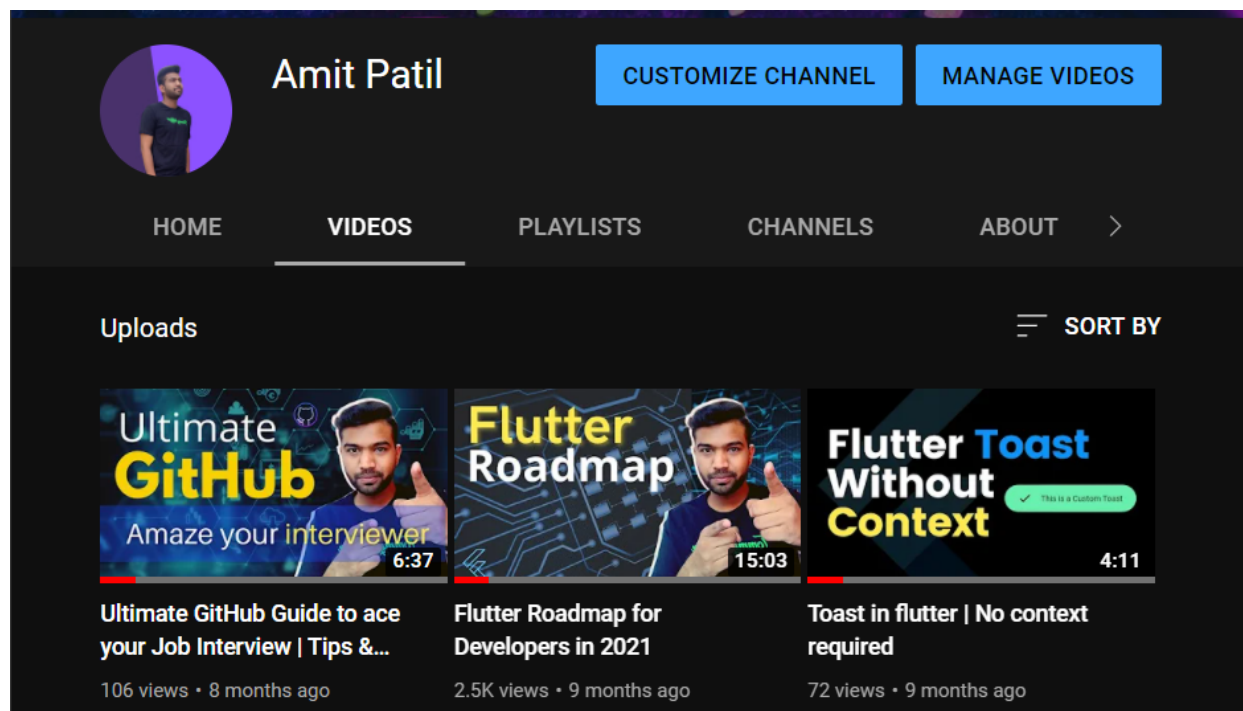
For promoting I started engaging with students on different forums, twitter, linkedin and what not. The one who never approached himself is now talking about how one should model their

android app to achieve great user experience. Being active on social media made it a lot easier to interact with them in real life and have a context of what's going on in their life.

I grew confident with every video and started to love the creativity and the freedom of expression that it offers. Before I knew it, what started off just as a hobby, had transformed into something that I really cared about.

Putting myself out in the world

When I first began making videos, I was really shy and awkward. I found it very uncomfortable to talk in front of a camera in a room, all by myself. If my family members were around, it would make me lose my nerves even more! Sometimes you have to mold your voice, crack jokes even if there isn't any instant validation and gratification. However, time teaches you many things doesn't it? Slowly but surely, as I started realizing that the more natural and comfortable I am in front of the camera, my subscribers will get to know me better and better. I Have a great respect for every youtuber out there who is putting out some content and making this world a better place.

Helped in finding new opportunities

After a few months I started looking for internships , I have something to flex upon and sometimes recruiters themselves approach me for an interview. This boosted my confidence. It also helped me to work on my language skills, convincing skills. Comments on video gave me a sense of achievement that I helped someone learn a new skill which potentially changed their career because of the mass media.

Asif Khan 3 days ago
watched 2 3 videos before but didn't ubderstand.....but after watching your video ..the difference between const and final became crystal clear.thank you...going to follow your playlist to learn flutter

REPLY

B. Migration for education

Educational Background

More specifically a trend of living away from home for higher education. Luckily I had a great track record in academics so I went to Kota after 10th and thereafter in Noida for graduation which is basically 1600 km away from my hometown.

Learnings from living away from home

I have learnt way more things earlier in my life which I couldn't be able to learn without moving out from home. From valuing money to understanding that you can't trust everyone. You have to take care of mental, physical and emotional health. You have to make every decision on your own . Living with strangers taught me so many things in life. Everyone is unique and has something good to learn from. Being there with N number of cultural peoples with different family backgrounds which also opened up more opportunities and social networks for my future career. Also got a perspective that Everything has to be shared. Everyone's opinion and choice have to be respected. Talking and sharing your thoughts helps to sort out the tiffs between each other.

Comparison with peers

Compared with my school friends who are graduating from my hometown itself, they have less overall exposure to the people and opportunities.

1B Literature Review

Literature review on Mass Media

Outcomes from literature:

Social media is beneficial for youth in the field of education, social media deteriorating social norms, social media is affecting negatively on the study of youth.[1] Social media has increased the quality and rate of collaboration for students. [3]. The access of social media provides the opportunity for educators to teach good digital citizenship and the use of Internet for productivity [5] Social networking sites can allow teens to find support online that

they may lack in traditional relationships, especially for teens [3].In a Critical Development period youngsters also go for social networking sites for advice and information.[5]

Personal Experience:

I myself felt that social media has drastically improved ease of communication and helped me better collaborate with my friends, surprisingly we prefer google meet over physical meetings for project related discussions.
I have a sense of belonging because of social media. I'm not the only one who is going through and it allows me to find a support group as well..

Literature review on Migration for Education

Outcomes from literature:

structural inequalities persist and migration for education has become an important individual, family and community response to overcome gaps. This article explores the relationship between migration and educational aspirations among a group of young people. [4] Young people and their parents connect migration with the process of 'becoming somebody in life' and with their high educational aspirations. This is linked to intergenerational dependencies..

Personal Experience:

My motive behind migration was being somebody in life. Being more social and self dependent is the end goal we took and it eventually got achieved.

Part 2

Do you agree or disagree with the research?

Yes I do agree with the research.Also I found some contradictory opinions and results, they are as follows

Contradiction on literature review of Mass Media

anti-religious post and links create hatred among peoples of different communities, Negative use of social media is deteriorating the relationship among the countries [1]

By the time youth reach adolescence, most are fully immersed in a world of smartphones, computers, and social media. Recent nationally representative statistics suggest that 95% of adolescents aged 13-18 have access to a smartphone and 88% have access to a desktop or laptop at home . In 2018, 45% of US adolescents reported that they were online "almost constantly," up from 24% only three years prior . The pervasiveness of new media has created an increasingly complex environment for youth, parents, health care providers, and policymakers to navigate. Indeed, while this media environment has introduced numerous new challenges and risks for youth mental health, so too has it presented considerable benefits and opportunities. [2]

Because of social media students lose their ability to engage themselves for face to face communication [5]

Contradiction on literature review of migration for education

Many students struggle to adapt to a healthy lifestyle as they become more independent, are influenced by new peers.[6] Some of the students feel homesickness for extended amounts of time which eventually leads to depression.

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