(Assignment #1) My Thoughts on The Internet

Dr. Perigo,

I will be talking about what I notice about the internet. Some of the thoughts include; in what ways are the internet used, what are my favorite apps/websites, and how I see the internet evolving in the future. I think it is important to note how people interpret the internet because it is a tool that billions of people use every day.

First off, I notice that the internet is so widespread and used by so many people that it could be hindrance to people that do not have access to the internet. For example, I use discover.com and my local credit union website to track my credit card purchases and to view my bank account. Without access to the internet, I wouldn’t be able to actions like disable my credit card if I lost it or transfer funds to my bank account. Having access to the internet should be a right in my opinion, given that sensitive/important information that people have can only be accessed by the internet.

There are many ways to use the internet other than personal information, and I would like to list some here:

* E-commerce: purchasing services/products over the internet
* Health: Health services provide access to services like therapy that can be done completely over the internet without direct human interaction
* AI Entertainment: People utilize an AI personality to create entertainment content without any human interaction
* Government websites: Allows the ability to access any type of government website with up to date and accurate information

Some of my favorite apps include: YouTube, Netflix, TikTok, Snapchat, Instagram, Twitter/X, and Spotify. Websites that I use frequently include: Gmail, Canvas, Google Calendar. For a majority of my favorites apps, I also frequently use their respective website as well.

The technologies that I have listed heavily impact my daily life. I use my computer and phone every day of my life for: education, entertainment, healthcare, transportation and so much more. These technologies all require some sort of internet connection to access the information. The internet has become an increasingly more important tool for many people, and I think the future of the internet will hopefully be accessible for everyone. Having access to the internet in my opinion should be a right and I am predicting that some sort of technology will allow for people in underserved areas to get access to the internet. I have had a passion for the online world since I built my first personal computer and I hope to involve myself in new aspects of the internet to contribute towards this accessibility.

Best Regards,

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