

2. YOUTH AND SOCIETY

Youth and Society: Youth Issues. Tech Addiction. Generation Gap.

1. What are the biggest problems facing the young today?
2. What is tech addiction? Do you think it's a serious problem nowadays?
3. Do you have tech addiction? How much time do you spend on social media and surfing the Internet?
4. What is generation gap? Is it a serious problem in your opinion?

YOUTH ISSUES

Our world is changing at a rapid pace. Our society today is completely different from how it was a decade ago. The problems that our grandparents experienced when they were younger weren't the same that our parents experienced in their youth. And the same is the case with us. Some of these issues have been around since forever and others arise as a result of the change in the trends of this fast-paced life. The biggest problems facing young people today are tech addiction, depression, bullying and cyberbullying, drug and alcohol abuse, violence in schools, poverty, and maturity at a young age.

TECH ADDICTION

A social media addiction is sometimes used to refer to someone spending too much time on social networks such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and others so much that it interferes with other aspects of daily life. The Internet now plays a huge part in modern life, but its benefits are accompanied by a darker side. An addiction in general is a compulsive behavior that usually leads to negative effects. Social media is addicting and interferes with other important things such as school or work. Personally I like social networking and spend a lot of time on social media and I agree that it can be addictive, but what makes social media so addictive? Addiction arises because of the fact that social media stimulates pleasure that enters your brain which can be activated. For example, it can be activated by someone clicking the like button on your post, someone commenting on your post, or someone following you. Social Networking is a quick and easy way of having fun, but can lead to some strong addiction and can be harmful to you. Limit your amount of time on social media, but that doesn't mean eliminate it completely.

GENERATION GAP

For some people, the generation gap is a big social issue. Generation gap is a difference in values and attitudes between one generation and another, especially between young people and their parents. There are several ways to make distinctions between generations (slang, technological influences). For example, names are given to major groups (Silent Generation, Baby boomers, Generation X, Millennials, Generation Z, and Generation Alpha) and each generation sets its own trends and has its own cultural impact.

People born in different time periods under different conditions have their own views based on the circumstances they have been through. Sometimes parents want children to act in accordance with their values, children on the other hand have broader outlook and refuse to accept the traditional ways. Generation gap occurs because society is constantly changing. It is the responsibility of both generations to fill this gap with love, affection and trust. Spending more time with each other like family outings, vacations, picnics, shopping, watching movies together could be some effective ways to build up a strong bond between each other.