# Digitally Captive Society

# Introduction

Digital devices impact our societies interpersonal communication in a negative way. Our face-to-face communication is on a decline because we choose to communicate through digital communication instead of interpersonal communication.

The purpose of this research paper is to identify the negative impacts that digital devices have on society’s interpersonal communication skills.

I choose this topic because I see people on their phones at restaurants and in coffee shops. They are glued to their screens. I wanted to find out what research had to say about digital devices and communication.

I have identified and researched three major points that have negative effects interpersonal communication. The decline of face-to-face communication amongst friends and family. How the lack of face-to-face communication affects the work place. Lastly, how communication through digital devices affects the younger generation, the future of our society.

# Face-to-face communication amongst friends and family is degrading due to digital devices.

## Having less meaningful conversations. Degradation in the quality of conversation.

## Being less attentive and presents during meal time or in a group of people.

## Texting or using social media to communicate instead of meeting face-to-face.

# Communication in the work place is degrading due to digital devices.

## Coworkers are emailing and texting each other instead of speaking face-to-face.

## Conflict between supervisors and employees.

## Lack of participation in open workplace discussions.

# Our future generations are choosing to communicate through digital devices instead of interpersonal communication.

## 63% of teens use text to communicate with others every day.

## Teens use cell phones anywhere from 4-8 hours per day.

## Studies show more teens have social anxiety then ever before.

# Conclusion

Digital devices impact our societies interpersonal communication in a negative way. Our face-to-face communication is on a decline due to choosing digital communication instead of interpersonal communication.

Interpersonal communication is on decline due to the constant use of digital devices. Face-to-face communication between family, friends and coworkers is declining, resulting in a loss of quality in communication. Interpersonal communication is in jeopardy, teenagers prefer to use digital devices for communication, businesses and families are relying on social media to communicate. All of these factors combined demonstrate that digital devices are impacting interpersonal communication in a negative way.

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