

To Google or not to Google

Google is not necessarily making us less educated; rather, we are simply discovering other ways to access more information. Even though the continuous use of Google has a few disadvantages, there are many more reasons that using Google makes people much smarter. Google has many advantages if it is used for the right purpose. Google is informative, convenient, and promotes creativity allowing us to be more knowledgeable.

Google can help people discover things that they would never be able to think of themselves. It has an unlimited amount of information that one person would never be able to process by himself. One person can be a genius at one certain subject, yet barely know anything about another one. There are billions of people around the world who use Google to solve problems that they couldn't solve alone. In this sense, Google is a community of learners and teachers who share their experiences and their unique intelligence.

One of the best things about Google is that it's always convenient. No matter when or where users need to find something, they can always google it. For example, if people were on a scavenger hunt, and they discovered a word they didn't know, they could google the definition of that certain word. We no longer have to waste time out of our day searching for one little thing when we can simply google it in a matter of minutes. Before Google and technology, if people wanted to know the definition of a word, they would have to find a dictionary then look up the word. Now, however, all anyone has to do is type the unknown word in to google to get every definition of the word possible.

Another reason Google makes us smarter is that it enhances creativity that we would have never had, giving us more ways to open our mind to other possibilities. For example, if we ever needed to be creative for a certain project, we could use Google to help us brainstorm ideas. As teenagers, our minds go straight to the easiest and simplest of ideas, but Google gives us more creative ideas.

Convenience, information, and creativity are just some of the ways that Google makes us smarter. It's convenient because it's only a few seconds away. It's informative because it allows us to view many sites that give us explanations for the most complicated problems. It promotes creativity by providing multiple sites from which to glean information, thereby giving us examples of others' experiences for a problem and creating a vague idea for inquirers to try on their own. These are only a few reasons that Google lets us be more knowledgeable about complicated problems that we may need to solve in the future.