

INTERNET AND SOCIAL IN YOUTH SOCIALIZATION
EFFECT OF NETWORKS

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Annotation: The information provided discusses the influence of the internet on today's youth and offers recommendations to mitigate potential risks. It highlights the dangers posed by opening emails from unknown senders, emphasizing the possibility of harmful viruses or programs. Additionally, it stresses the importance of safeguarding personal passwords and refraining from sharing them. The text also advises against responding to unnecessary messages or offers and suggests reporting such incidents to parents or guardians. Finally, it emphasizes the significance of avoiding websites intended for adults only. Overall, the annotation underscores the importance of recognizing both the positive and negative impacts of internet usage and urges individuals to use it responsibly.

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The internet has become one of the most important issues of the current global era affecting the demands of the time and the generation growing up with it. Nowadays, personal computers connected to the internet are available in almost every household, and young people, in particular, are making extensive use of them. Social networks occupy a very important place in the lives of children, teenagers, and young adults. Most children spend a lot of time in front of the monitor, which, according to them, contributes to expanding their vocabulary, ideas, and worldview. The Internet has captured the entire world and all aspects of human life. Therefore, it is very difficult for us to imagine our lives without it. Currently, the internet and social networks are having a significant impact on the socialization of young people. The internet simplifies people's lifestyles and opens up many opportunities for them. It also provides great assistance in reading and work. People can obtain any information they are interested in on a certain topic in a short time, and they can reach any point of the world in a few seconds. The internet is a wonderful discovery that provides great opportunities for humanity.

It's appropriate to state that the internet has both positive and negative aspects. Particularly, the abundance of negative information affecting the younger generation on the internet is evident. In today's perilous times, harmful information disseminated through the internet, various conspiracy theories, and manners that undermine morality and ethics, all cause concern for every thoughtful individual. In recent times, incidents of cyberbullying related to the internet and the misuse of the global network for nefarious purposes are increasing. Consequently, provocative electronic publications and videos are widely circulated. Crafty individuals skillfully exploit the internet to lure young people into their schemes, presenting themselves as "close friends" or "guides," leading the youth astray. In reality, they have no knowledge of religion and morality, merely repeating what they have memorized from their distorted perspectives. On the other hand, they blindly impose their ignorance on others, unaware of whose interests they are serving. Such individuals initially speak enticing words about faith, worship, and paradise, but ultimately lead the youth astray and, in the end, sacrifice them to their own folly. It is necessary to realize that what is obtained from the internet should be understood as true, reliable, and harmless. Young people who indiscriminately accept any information or news transmitted through the internet without distinguishing between good and bad seriously risk falling into a state of profound anxiety. Furthermore, adults spend too much time on

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the internet, neglecting to read books due to excessive chat and virtual conversations on forums, causing their social circle to shrink, indulging excessively in computer games, and sometimes engaging in aggressive behavior driven by a strong desire. All of these contribute to the individual's gradual decline, as interacting with peers becomes difficult, and antisocial behaviors exacerbate societal issues. In this regard, it is essential to redefine the concept of "Internet" according to the purpose. The internet is a global computer network, also known as the World Wide Web. Through this modern source, it is not necessary to physically attend a cinema or an artist's concert today, or spend time in a library, or engage in face-to-face transactions at markets or shopping centers; rather, all necessary information. Can be obtained through the monitor of a computer. Most young people utilize the internet as an intriguing resource, with its valuable knowledge becoming a source of assistance in educational activities, ranking it second after the study materials. Those who have entered the boundless world of the internet must always remember. That it is a borderless domain where individuals can lose track of time, spending their days without realizing it. In today's era of intense globalization, effectively safeguarding young people from harmful ideas and influences that they encounter on the internet is of paramount importance. This necessitates educators, moral motivators, and parents to become even more vigilant and vigilant, expanding the scope of their work to strengthen the conceptual immunity of the younger generation against imaginary and abstract ideologies. Consequently, some adults utilize computers and the internet for educational purposes. While various games played by adults can indeed be entertaining activities, some pose a serious risk to their lives and well-being. Many websites entice young people and children with psychologically and emotionally manipulative changes, taking advantage of their unique characteristics and attracting them to precarious situations with close individuals and encouraging them to enter unauthorized sites when they face difficult situations. The internet is a complex phenomenon, and its impact on young people is equally unpredictable. Its lack of boundaries often leads to negative consequences, as it cannot protect young people from various information and data that are contrary to social norms. In addition to useful information, there are also dangerous substances, suicidal situations, terrorist activities, and pornography materials available, posing a significant risk to young minds that have not yet fully formed moral values. Overall, the vibrant game available to everyone on the internet can be considered a vivid example, requiring provocative tasks that demand execution without discussion, such as a game called "Blue Whale," which includes merciless instructions leading to self-harm, without consideration for psychological immunity. As a result, the participation of many children who lack psychological immunity has become detrimental to their lives.

If not properly monitored by adults, young people can become targets of manipulation due to negative information and psychological effects on social networks. Using information warfare tactics as a tool for public manipulation is not uncommon, where young people are lured into extremist groups, engaging in anti-social and illegal activities, including sexual offenses. All of these pose significant risks of negative consequences for the growing youth.

The positive effects of the internet on young people also exist, as they have the opportunity to search for and effectively utilize scientific and educational information. Additionally, the internet allows individuals to reconnect with long-lost friends and search for jobs they have been looking for a long time. Millions of opportunities open up, even for those restricted by distance, to work and communicate with friends. The internet hosts vast repositories of all types of literature, with scientific literature being particularly important. In fact, the internet is truly the largest repository of information. Learning many things from the internet, acquiring skills, or advancing one's own expertise are all possible. Despite the almost infinite possibilities of the internet, "World Wide Web" does not replace the joy of sharing experiences with friends and enjoying lively conversations. The negative aspects of internet influence are that various information can be found that introduces vivid negative consequences for young people. For example, groups promoting suicide, encouraging

substance abuse, and perpetrating various terrorist activities can be active on different websites. Those who join such sites may intend to harm themselves, purchase weapons and drugs, and learn how to use them. Adults, on the other hand, quickly assimilate such information. In reality, today's information is so vast and rapidly available that it requires deep thought and broad-mindedness to "digest" it. Especially in today's world, where information overload is prevalent, some computer games may present similar challenges. According to experts, 49% of computer games played over the internet exhibit significant levels of aggression and violence, while 41% of shooter games involve aggression and violence aimed at achieving the goal of the game. In 17% of the games, this aggression and violence are the main objectives. Various aggressive games, which are not compatible with our mentality and sometimes lead to a brutalization of heroism, negatively affect the moral and aesthetic education of young people. Numerous real-life examples abound of individuals being influenced by the aggression and violent fantasies presented in seemingly innocent games, leading to many negative consequences.

It is possible to classify influential information for young people on internet sites as follows: In the first category of information, extremist ideas (religious extremism and terrorism, nationalism, racism, sadism, etc.) may be promoted. The second category of information appeals to Western lifestyles, promotes habits and customs contrary to Uzbek mentality. This includes articles, clips, and movies that appeal to Western youth. The third category includes pornographic content. The fourth category may include various attacks by yet unverified attackers. The dissemination of such harmful content and information on internet sites is a cause for concern for the entire world community. It is always important for us to be vigilant against any actions that lead young people to adopt behaviors that undermine our national interests, violate our values, infringe upon our spirituality, and erase our historical memory. It is essential for everyone to remain steadfast in their stance against any actions that divert them from their chosen path and lead them to achieve their noble goals.

Our society is being infiltrated mainly through the internet as a source of false culture. This situation promotes many negative habits such as disrespect for norms and values, national and religious values - many harmful effects. The habit of dressing indecently among young people, drawing tattoos on their bodies, piercing their ears and noses, imitating "cool" behavior, and girls dressing like boys, are all "fashion" elements that are spreading through the internet. The fictitious temptations on the internet are similar to a cultural invasion and can be dangerous for young people. Negative cultural influences on some youth lead them astray and towards moral decay. Unfortunately, most young people do not realize that they have fallen victim to such "culture". As a result of accepting uncensored news from the global information system, young people are being poisoned. For example, if a young person visits a site to obtain some necessary information and sees an advertisement saying "a famous person died", they may be curious and click on it. Then another site opens, and they read the continuation of deceptive news. In this way, young people are led into the abyss of gullibility. Children who fall victim to such an "invasion" of culture become easy prey to those who seek to harm them. Such culture, imposed on society through the internet, leads to the destruction of many families and communities. Serious attention must be paid to every parent's duty to educate their children for their future and well-being. Based on the information presented above, the following recommendations can be made for today's youth: never open emails sent by unknown persons, as such files may contain viruses or any software that could harm the system. Likewise, always keep computer and personal device passwords secure and confidential. Avoid unnecessary messages or offers, and if such situations arise frequently, inform your parents or close relatives. Always be cautious; even if unknown people have won a lot of prize money, confirming this by asking for credit card information is a form of fraud. Never visit sites labeled "only for those over 18." Such warnings on websites are designed to protect minors. In conclusion, it is evident that the internet plays a significant role in people's lives today and cannot be imagined without it. Whether

this situation is positive or negative, it depends solely on how individuals use it and assess its benefits. Conversely, if a person chooses to use the internet for harmful purposes or to harm their health, negative consequences will occur in their life and activities in the future. Conversely, using the internet for positive purposes plays a crucial role in a person's development.

Based on the information provided above, the following recommendations can be made for today's youth:

1. Never open emails sent by unfamiliar individuals: Since such files may contain harmful viruses or programs that can negatively affect your computer systems. Also, always keep computer and personal device passwords secure and avoid sharing them with others.
2. Avoid responding to unnecessary messages or offers: If unnecessary messages or offers are received, it's important not to respond to them. Such situations should be reported to parents or close relatives.
3. Always be cautious: If unfamiliar individuals claim that you have won a large amount of prize money and ask for credit card information, it is likely a scam. It's important to always be cautious in such situations.
4. Avoid accessing sites only suitable for those over 18 years old: Such sites typically have warnings designed for the protection of minors.

In summary, it's important to recognize that the internet plays a significant role in people's lives today, and its impact can be difficult to imagine. It's challenging to categorize this situation as entirely positive or negative; instead, it's up to individuals to assess how they use it and evaluate its benefits and drawbacks in their lives. On the contrary, if a person recognizes the potential dangers or risks associated with using the internet, they can also lead to negative consequences in their future life and activities. Conversely, using the internet for positive purposes plays a crucial role in personal development.

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