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Facebook – sign up or not

Nowadays it is hard to find a teenager who can imagine life without Facebook, and even harder to find one who does not have a profile on this social network. The question is what impact Facebook has on today's society.

Many people think that Facebook makes social life easier and that it has numerous advantages. In the first place, this network gives us the opportunity to stay in touch with people we do not have a chance to see every day, such as old friends and foreigners. Also, the good thing is that you can have as many friends as you want. By making groups you are able to meet people who have the same interests as you and you can learn a lot of new things by sharing experiences. Some people find it good for promoting if they do certain work through it. Others can find a large variety of news through Events.

But, on the other hand, you can become friends with a person who does not have good intentions and who is only pretending to be your friend. Furthermore, once you put pictures or videos, even though you make them visible only to your friends, you can lose control over them and they can be misused. Overall, Facebook is becoming a kind of disease and it is easy to get addicted to. In my opinion people are spending much more time on the net than they should, and while they think that this is the way to improve friendships, they do not realize the value of direct human contact.

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