Worksheet 21

UNIT 8: *Social Media*

Task 31 (C/B p. 110)

Put the verbs in brackets in the correct form

Social Media and Interpersonal Relationships

The social media _____ (become) popular with the number of the social networks increasing drastically. The developers of the social networks like Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter, among others, _____ (compete) so as to offer excellent features.

This can be categorised in terms of privacy, interaction, socialization as well as entertainment. Through the use of wide range of communication platform, the sites can be accessed from laptops, mobile phones, iPhones, and iPads. This _____ (make) it easy for people to interact freely anytime given that they _____ (have) internet connections.

The social media _____ (make) it easy for people to communicate without need for face to face interactions. However, the concern _____ (be) whether social media _____ (eradicate) the essence of interpersonal relationship. Interpersonal relationships _____ (involve) the association between people for a long period, where the association is based on emotional feelings, social commitments as well as regular interactions.

The relationships can occur in different situations, such as friends, clubs, acquaintances, family, workplaces, and churches among others. The difference between the two _____ (be) that interpersonal relations are determined and regulated by society, law and customs that are shared. Social media _____ (have) both the negative and positive impacts to individuals' relationships that affect daily activities.

The social media _____ (have) both negative and positive impacts on relationships. However, the social media is expected to have more positive than negative impacts because of lowered constraints of traditional communication (Anderson). This _____ (make) it possible for people to connect more rapidly with more zeal and zest. According to Jain, the social media _____ (enable) people connect easily with many other people from different parts of life far more than the people we _____ (meet) in the street.

This _____ (be) true because people _____ (share) what they _____ (have) in common and they _____ (make) a relation out of it. However, this _____ (degrade) the traditional ways in which relationships were initiated and accomplished. But the social media _____ (have) that ability of bringing people from different social and cultural backgrounds more easily than the traditional mode of

communication. Therefore, social media can help one meet many friends than they could ever meet in their life thus enriching their relationships.

Introverts _____ (have) the chance of strengthening their relations through the social media. Relations in the workplace can be strengthened through the social media and it has been made easy for employees to exchange ideas (Conlin and MacMillan). Through the social media brands can be enriched through the wider range of friends and followers. However, it also _____ (ruin) the relationships in the workplace and _____ (reduce) productivity. This is because a lot of time is spent and hate and hatred can be spread over through social networks.

In a negative way, social media _____ (ruin) some of the relationships based on the comments made by other people. For instance, intimate relationships can be ruined because of some post like in Facebook or Twitter. Meraji _____ (note) that some posts made on Facebook or tweets made on Twitter can lead to resentment that _____ (generate) hate and hatred.

This can ruin closer relationships because of some comments made on your wall. Some forgotten relationships can no longer be forgotten and escaped if one _____ (use) the social media. This _____ (be) because it _____ (become) a platform where everybody _____ (meet) and friends of friends _____ (be) on it. Social media can be detrimental to relationships because of the negativity it may arouse. For example, negative or moody responses can affect the real time relationships.

Social media and the internet _____ (rob off) people the time that can be used in a more constructive and intimate face to face communication (Anderson). This _____ (be) because most of the friends in the social media _____ (use) fake names, _____ (give) wrong information about themselves, and even _____ (create) the aspect of intolerance and impatience. This _____ (harm) the real relations more and it _____ (happen) in the real world.

The communication that _____ (create) the feeling of remorse when wrong is done, _____ (not be) present in the social media relationships. Social media interactions can now strengthen far away relationships. This _____ (be) because people can easily communicate and, according to Anderson, geographical distance _____ (be) no longer a hindrance to relationship. This _____ (make) some of the relations blossom.

It can be concluded that social media _____ (have) both positive and negative effects on relationships. The mode in which they are necessitated _____ (consume) a lot of people's time that could have been applied in a more face to face communication. This _____ (endanger) the traditional mode of communication and can be detrimental to relationships.

However, it _____ (make) it possible to enhance the communication and keep long distanced relationships in check. It _____ (also make) it easy for people to interact more easily and one can make friends online rapidly than it can occur in real life. Contrary, the social media can break relationships and create aspects like intolerance and impatience. It is believed that social media would be having more positive impacts on relationships as time _____ (go) on.

The social media has become popular with the number of the social networks increasing drastically. The developers of the social networks like Face book, MySpace, and Twitter, among others, have been competing so as to offer excellent features.

This can be categorised in terms of privacy, interaction, socialization as well as entertainment. Through the use of wide range of communication platform, the sites can be accessed from laptops, mobile phones, iPhones, and iPads. This has made it easy for people to interact freely anytime given that they have internet connections.

The social media has made it easy for people to communicate without need for face to face interactions. However, the concern has been whether social media is eradicating the essence of interpersonal relationship. Interpersonal relationships involve the association between people for a long period, where the association is based emotional feelings, social commitments as well as regular interactions.

The relationships can occur in different situations, such as friends, clubs, acquaintances, family, workplaces, and churches among others. The difference between the two is that interpersonal relations are determined and regulated by society, law and customs that are shared. Social media has both the negative and positive impacts to individuals' relationships that affect daily activities.

The social media has both negative and positive impacts on relationships. However, the social media is expected to have more positive than negative impacts because of lowered constraints of traditional communication (Anderson, 1). This has made it possible for people to connect more rapidly with more zeal and zest. According to Jain (1) the social media enables people connect easily with many other people from different parts of life far more than the people we meet in the street.

This is true because people share what they have in common and they make a relation out of it. However, this is degrading the traditional ways in which relationships were initiated and accomplished. But the social media has that ability of bringing people from different social and cultural backgrounds more easily than the traditional mode of communication. Therefore, social media can help one meet many friends than they could ever meet in their life thus enriching their relationships.

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In a negative way, social media is ruining some of the relationships based on the comments made by other people. For instance, intimate relationships can ruined because of some post like in face book or twitter. Meraji (1) note that some posts made on face book or tweets made can lead to resentment that generates hate and hatred.

This can ruin closer relationship because of some comments made on your wall. Some forgotten relationships can no longer be forgotten and escaped if one is using the social media. This is because it has become a platform where everybody meets and friends of friends are on it. Social

media can be detrimental to relationships because of the negativity it may arouse. For example, negative or moody response can affect the real time relationships.

Social media and the internet are robbing off people the time that can be used in a more constructive and intimate face to face communication (Anderson 2). This is because most of the friends in the social media use fake names, give wrong information about themselves, and even create the aspect of intolerance and impatient. This harms the real relations more and it is happening in the real world.

The communication that creates the feeling of remorse when wrong is done, is not present in the social media relationships. Social media interactions can now strengthen far away relationships. This is because the people can easily communicate and according to Anderson (2) geographical distance is no longer a hindrance to relationship. This has made some of the relations blossom.

It can be concluded that social media has both positive and negative effects on relationships. The mode in which they are necessitated consumes a lot of people time that could have been applied in a more face to face communication. This has endangered the traditional mode of communication and can be detrimental to relationships.

However, it has made it possible to enhance the communication and keep long distanced relationships in check. It has also made it easy for people to interact more easily and one can make friends online rapidly than it can occur in real life. Contrary, the social media can break relationships and create aspects like intolerance and impatient. It is believed that social media would be having more positive impacts on relationships as time goes on.

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