

# Social Media and Me

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# Confusion Is the Point

Social media makes it very easy for one to find information. Just a few presses on the keyboard and a click of a mouse, thousands of profiles, places, and many more info are presented to one. Social media makes knowledge very easy to consume; however, it also makes it very easy to consume incorrect knowledge. Therefore, even if an article or post seems trustworthy, one should double-check by reading another related article / post.



# TED Talk



I use social media, such as Instagram, for a variety of reasons. First, I use it to communicate with others, such as friends and family. For example, I use the video call feature on Instagram to facetime with my family members in Korea. I also used SNS to look at news. From local to global, the for you page on many platforms can be a great source of news about political issues or celebrities. I also gain lots of life hacks (tips) from Instagram feeds. Nowadays, the youth culture uses social media mostly to communicate with others. Either by making posts or sending DMs, one is easily able to share and communicate with others, which makes it more easy to establish friendships. That is why many teenagers get to know others online first before actually meeting them. However, the development of social media has also led to a new type of bullying: cyber bullying. As students can easily interact with others after school through social media, many develop in-school bullying into cyber bullying. Therefore, social media is used by youth is mostly positive; however, it can also become negative

# Black Mirror

The world presented in the clips and social media in our world is very similar, as people are trying to always seem happy and ideal, which to some extent is being quite fake. The main character loses and gain points by a rating after an interaction with someone. The scene where a guy has a rating of 3.1 reminds me of cyber bullying, as the majority is standing on a powerful guy's side, dropping Chester's rating, when he did nothing wrong to them. These points are important to the main character, as she is judged by others based on her points. Therefore, she acts fake to appease others. This kind of social interaction would derive the trust between people, as everyone would be fake to get a better rating; therefore, lying just to appeal to others.



Personally, this video reminded me a case of cyber bullying I witnessed on a Google+ community in 2016. This was the first time I witness cyberbullying and realized the severity of it, as a group of people were fiercely attacking one account. This video reminded of this situation and once again taught me that cyberbullying is intolerable



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