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Introduction

Communication is an art that has been in the world for decades. It is the most important in the lives of all living species on earth used for survival. Man has depended on communication for millions of years. Communication has improved from time to time with different generations forming modes of communication so that they can understand each other better. The generations form mediums that are suitable for them so that they can communicate and survive better. One of the mediums that changed communication was technology. Originally set to enhance and improve communication especially in long distances, technology has turned to be one of the factors that communication has derailed over time. It has formed a basis through which people can go days without communicating with each other. The generations using technology seem to have found suitable methods through which they could survive using whilst using communication a lot. Communication still remains vital for human life but the decline due to technology has raised many concerns. In this paper, I will research on the decline of technology through an Annotated Bibliography on works by authors.

*Brown, C. (2013). Are We Becoming More Socially Awkward? An Analysis of the Relationship Between Technological Communication Use and Social Skills in College Students.*

In his article, Brown raises concern on the developments on communications especially amongst college students. The title of the work mainly asks the questions of whether human beings are becoming socially awkward. To integrate socially with others, we need communication a lot and at all levels. The study conducted by Brown analyzes the use of technological communication compared to the use of social skills by students in colleges. 112 students at Connecticut College were used for the survey by the author. The main areas that the author surveyed on were the social skills, social anxiety, and the use of technology and preference of technology. The participants were allowed to use technology alongside face-to-face communication. Both genders were used on different levels to see which of the two modes of communication that they were going to use.

The results were then collected after several groups had been analyzed. The team found that students that used technological communication faced high social anxiety more than those that used face-to-face communication. Most of them preferred using technology rather than communicating with each other personally. The skills were different with females more eager to communicate face to face more than their male compatriots. The study was mainly to test the students on how technology was actually affecting the way that they communicated with each other. The decline of communication due to technology was the highlight as the supervisors tried to find ways that communication has been affected especially to a generation that has been absorbed by technology.

The source is effective and can be used to support the decline of communication due to technology. The source provides a real time research on a young generation that has been absorbed to technology. The source is credible and will provide a lot of information that will prove to be adequate to my research project. The information provided by the source has many ideas and could lead to discovering of more information to be added to my research project.

*Drussell, J. (2012). Social Networking and Interpersonal Communication and Conflict Resolution Skills among College Freshmen.*

The author studies on how social networking has affected communications on interpersonal levels. Social networking is a current phenomenon that is web-based communication. The communications through this type of technology take place through websites and cellular devices. A survey was conducted on 2,277 adults ranging from the age of 18 to 24. The survey found that the participants received 109.5 messages per day resulting to 3,200 text messages per month. Facebook was one of the platforms that the study focused on so that they could understand how it had affected communication and at which levels. 22 college students were surveyed on to see how they viewed communication. Amongst some of the areas that were highly researched on was the ability of the students to resolve conflicts. Skills of how they communicated were also researched on to help understand if they had the correct methods that they could use to communicate.

The research as seen mainly focuses on the uses of communication in a normal human beings life. Communication is used to cover many aspects of our social lives. Conflict resolution is very important to understanding and respecting each. People will always involve themselves in conflicts but resolving them is also important. If we do not have the correct skills to use communication effectively to resolve conflicts, then we will not be able to live peacefully with each other. Conflict resolution has been used from ancient times and it could only be carried out through communication. There are also other critical uses of communication that have been outlined in the research. The research focuses on how humans relate with each other through communication. It’s critical for certain functions that need to be attended to so that we can be able to survive. They have, however, been disrupted by the emergence of technology. It has changed the way that people view communication completely.

The source is credible and could be used as a guide in the research. The study conducted by the author focuses the key reasons on why we communicate with each other. The effects of lack of communication and how they have influenced the decisions we make has also been discussed. The source will be a good guide towards analyzing the context of the topic that has been selected. The source will provide crucial and needed information that will lead to the completion of the research on different areas. Rationale and examples of what is discussed by the author are supported by the research. Credible results that are understandable are outlined and are important towards ensuring that the research achieves the aimed goals.

*Morreale, S. P., Osborn, M. M., & Pearson, J. C. (2010). Why communication is important: A rationale for the centrality of the study of communication. JACA-ANNANDALE-, (1), 1-25.*

The authors in the article mainly cover the importance of communication. They first analyze how communication has derailed due to the use of technology in the modern days. The authors further analyze the groups that have been affected and how they have been affected. Through the results that are found, they analyze how communication is important and how it could be restored to the way it was before.