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Social media is a bad influence for kids

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You probably have social media on your phone or ipad, usually for entertainment. But it's usually long after that you realize social media can mostly be a bad influence for children. Sure, it can be fun, but I think there should be separation between children and adults when it comes to social apps. Social media companies should make two different sections of social [media platforms](#) because if kids see something like Squid Game videos, they might want to watch it. As you know, Squid Game is not appropriate for children to watch.

The first reason is, let's say people are playing video games while streaming online, and when something goes wrong, they start swearing. I know this because I've seen other kids using social media the wrong way. Some of my friends know some words that they

shouldn't know, all because of social media. That's why most parents are always strict about what their kids watch because most videos influence the emotional health kids have. Adults can sometimes get bad-tempered and rage during technical difficulties which inspires kids to do the same. That will lead to children learning bad habits.

Next reason is that Social media can also give people an addiction where everyone is feeling bad about missing out when they are

offline. People upload to social media billions of photos per day,

people might get stuck on their devices for eternity. In the world,

there are currently 600 million instagramers and that 400 million are active every day and even more people are active daily on other

social apps. That's a lot of data spent on one day around the globe.

People won't even think about shutting their devices down and going

outside. That makes children feel like they missed out on something

important, and want to try. There's also something else that happens

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during social media. Often people will “overshare” where they post too many pictures or videos of their life.

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Now I am going to talk about how we can fix this—or at least some of it. Maybe the social media companies could have social media shut down every once in a while, so people can’t sit all day checking out a cat falling from a sofa. If that doesn't work, they can at least make two different social media platforms because it should be easy for them. Social media has gotten too popular. It might be the most popular thing in the world. Kids can’t be participating in that chaos. If kids start doing social media until they get old, there won’t be a nice future for them because imagine all the stuff others would have experienced if social media hadn’t been your full on hobby.

To wrap it up, now I showed you why social media can be a bad influence to kids. Like I said, there should be a separation between adults and kids when it comes to social media if we want to fix the main mistake. Thank you for listening.