

Abstract:

The socialization process through which we become part of society and form our own subjective personality has been accompanied by various changes over the generations, influenced by the technological advances of the time. Today's generation is coming into a world that is globally surrounded by the internet and the use of social media as an adjunct to socializing and leisure. Our surroundings have the biggest influence on our development, in our teens it is family, school and peers, we acquire our values through socialization. Today's generation of teens have embraced social media as one of their primary sources of socialization, using social media to maintain and form relationships, to learn about world events, to experiment and to form their own conception of their identity. In this paper, I aim to bring together findings from current studies that focus on the specific effects of social media use on adolescents and their values.

Key words:

Teenager, values, value orientation, online, family, peers, social media, socialization, internet, identity, influence