

Bad sides of Technology

By Anthony Jaimes

Anyone can agree that mostly everyone in the world has used technology once. 90 percent of Americans have phones, but even though that technology is cool, it has some bad things about it. I am not saying it is all bad, but it can turn into cyber bullying, and adults sometimes text while driving, therefore, I will talk about the bad things about technology.

About 81 percent of teens play online games, but 43 percent of teens have been cyber bullied. I have been cyber bullied, and I think it is a serious problem, and 68 percent of teens think that as well. Sadly, one of four percent of teenagers are bullied constantly, and two to nine think about suicide. Kids should tell their parents because they would help them solve bullying before it turns to a bigger problem. Cyber bullying can happen on online games, on phones, consoles like Play Station 3, texting, social media, and more.

There are many online games in which people get cyber bullied like Minecraft, World of Warcraft, Call of Duty, and more. In 2011, a 46-year-old man from the United Kingdom was in a match on Call of Duty Black Ops when a 13-year-old boy kept attacking and insulting him in the game. What did the man do? Instead of ignoring it, the man went to the boy's house and started strangling him! Luckily the boy's mom was in the house and was able to kick the man out, and he was later arrested.

There are hackers who take people's accounts and do other things, and 21 percent of children between ages eight and eleven have been cyber bullied. They can also send harassing messages, and I received some as well. Some little kids say bad words, and some people try to comeback with bullying.

Another bad thing about technology is texting while driving. Did you know 1.6 million crashes happen by phone usage? 77 percent of teens say that parents or guardians tell them not to text while driving, but the parents do the same thing. 34 percent say they have texted while driving, and 52 percent have been talking to someone while driving. Texting while driving gives a 23 times more likely to crash. 39 states prohibit to text and drive and

some still do it. 1 of 4 crashes happen to text and driving. I think that prohibit from all countries because now it causes so much accidents around the world.

In conclusion, there are many things useful in technology but there can be bad things about it too. Many bad things happen with technology, but not all is bad such as video games, however texting while driving is bad as well as cyber bullying. People should become aware of the bad things of technology because it can ruin your life because being cyber bullied and harm you because of text while driving.