**Many people make friends through social sites and chat rooms. Others believe that it is not a good idea to make friends without meeting them face to face. Do you agree or disagree with this statement?**

As Internet is growing, people are starting to enjoy benefits from different services that it provides. One of these services is communication from distance. Chat rooms and social networks assist us in being connected to everyone around the world and find new friends. However, these services has some negative effects too. Personally, I believe making new friends in the old fashion way is better than using chat rooms.

The first problem can be the trust issue in cyber space. Not everyone is honest in this area. Many attempt to fob others and take advantage from them. Every year many reports are being published about people who are faced with fraud which happened in these social networks. So, we should make our best effort to be so conscious when we are online and not give too much information about ourselves. Therefore, when you have no trust in anybody there you cannot find a reliable friend there, because trusting is one of the friendship bases.

The other problem in cyber space is that lying is extremely easy in this place and unfortunately many lie about their personality or appearance. They do not lie because they wish to fob you. There are many reasons behind their untruth. For example, they are ashamed about their look and so, they take pictures from an angle which hide that negative point in their appearance. As a result, you cannot meet everybody's real personality or face in there. But when you meet someone in person, after going out a few times you can become familiar with his real behavior.

In conclusion, although Internet is a great help in omitting the distance between people, it is not a safe place to meet new people. There are many cheaters and many who tell the untruth about themselves there. On the other hand, we can use it to keep in touch with many of our old friends and stay close to them with spending not much energy.