

**Some believe that modern technology has made people less socially active, while others disagree. Discuss both views and give your own opinion.**

With the advent of new technology, modern gadgets or devices have become made our life easier in many aspects. However, these technologies such as smartphones have adverse effects too. I strongly agree with the latter view that I will discuss in my essay.

It is undeniable that high-tech pieces of equipment have bridged the physical distance and made people socially connected. To put it simply, the universal availability of smartphones and the internet has caused ~~that~~ people to have access to each other in any part of the world at a very reasonable cost which was impossible earlier. Other than that, people could broaden their friends' circle. Not only do they have accessibility to their near and dear ones sitting across the world, but also they establish new friendships about their careers, hobbies, entertainments and much more besides. An Oxford study reveals that 30% of USA's citizens have online friends residing in Asia.

However, new technologies have led people to isolation. Children have become less active and contained-imprisoned themselves within walls. Meanwhile, they adhered-adhere to their mobiles or laptops. They have fewer friends and they will gradually become more isolated. Children feel isolated which affects their mindset too. Adults have become socially inactive as well. They have-are occupied chatting with their buddies on social networks rather than come out of their homes that earlier people used to. Parents are too-so busy with their mobiles that they forget to spend quality time with their children, hence their poor relationship.

In a nut shell, although modern technologies have facilitated our life, they have expanded widened the social gap between people and given rise to the feeling of isolation among people.