

ACADEMIC PARAGRAPH STRUCTURESubheading: Negative Effects of social media on youth (generation gap)

Topic Sentence	Social media has affected not only the professional but also the personal lives of youth very negatively and one of ^{the} major effects seen all across the world is the drastic increase of generation gap among youth and their elders.
Explanatory or reasoning sentence.	It is evident from the current situations observed that youth spends most of their time on social media not just for entertainment but also for awareness regarding current situations. This act and increased use of social media, however, has created a much larger gap between them and their parents or grandparents. The time that could be given to family matters, the healthy discussions, and the sense to listen and speak to each other has been vanished due to usage of social media.
Supporting Point	Youth, now spends most of their time on social media neglecting their elders and family. They believe that being active on social media will not only make them respected and honored among their friends and society but will also keep them all important and essential things that could be taught by their elders. They think that the updated communication trends, styles and new applications are too modern for their older generations and thus social media and older generations cannot go hand in hand.
Evidence / Example	Online spaces like TikTok, Instagram, Twitter and Facebook tend to cater younger demographics, trends, memes and content that may not resonate with their older generation.
Conclusion.	Indeed, social media and its usage has enlarged the generation gap b/w the youth and their elders and is responsible for the loss of social norms, values and family traditions and values.