

Consider the Pros and Cons of Innovation by Ayur Cheng Wai Chung

Have you ever thought innovation has become a big part of our lives? Innovation is about people coming up with ideas to create something new that makes our lives different and easier. Innovation has also had a major impact on our society due to economic growth. Take smartphones as an example. They have become a part of our lives due to convenience, for example leaving messages. When people wanted to contact each other in the past, they would write a letter and the letter would be sent to the receiver by a pigeon. This was the only way to leave messages for each other and it was very inconvenient and time-consuming.

Nowadays, people can leave messages through texting, or they can even make a call. Apart from making communication easier, smartphones have also made other parts of our lives easier. Apps are being developed every day. Payment apps like PayMe, Alipay and PayPal have become very popular. Social media apps are also used by most smartphone users. People use their phones to read the news, look for directions and search for information. It's no wonder people say they can't live without a smartphone.

On the other hand, people are addicted to their phones nowadays. They spend more time on their phones and other mobile devices than ever. They spend less time with family and friends in real life which affects their social skills. Smartphones also have many health risks. Excessive use can cause eye strain, headaches, poor posture and neck pain. The blue light that comes from the screen can affect our sleep. Phones can also be full of germs if we don't clean them regularly. They can even lead to more serious things such as car accidents if people text while driving.

Innovation is necessary and it can change our lives for the better. However, it is important to consider the pros and cons of new inventions and to make sure that we use them in a way that won't affect our lives in a negative manner.