

Social Hermits

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VOCABULARY

1: Vocabulary match: Match the words on the left with a letter from the right.

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| 1. interact | a. closeness |
| 2. loner | b. group |
| 3. demographic | c. renew |
| 4. proximity | d. communicate |
| 5. newborn | e. missing |
| 6. condolences | f. baby |
| 7. nonexistent | g. request |
| 8. superficial | h. hermit |
| 9. update | i. shallow |
| 10. beg | j. sympathy |

2: Fill in the Blanks: Fill in the blank with the correct word.

superficial	proximity	loners	condolences	beg
newborn	interaction	updated	nonexistent	demographic

- a. Do social networking sites like Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter encourage social _____ ?
- b. Or do these sites encourage people to become _____ ?
- c. People who are over twenty-five are the largest growing _____ of users.
- d. Social networking sites allow users to keep in contact with " _____ friends."
- e. We may send these people birthday cards, or call with congratulations for a wedding or a _____
- f. We may express _____ for a death in the family.
- g. Face to face contact, however, is largely _____ .
- h. The contact may be _____ and achieved through emails and instant messages.
- i. As long as the personal pages are regularly _____ , it's easy to share photos or hear about kids.
- j. Social networking sites _____ the following question then: Are people becoming social hermits?