

## Reading:

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### Activity 1

Before you read the text, find the synonym of the word!

| NO | Words       | Synonyms                       |
|----|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 1  | (noun)      | Lying; trickery; untruth       |
| 2  | (verb)      | Support; strengthen; reassure  |
| 3  | (noun)      | Demonstration; parade; protest |
| 4  | (noun)      | Swindler; deceiver; scammer    |
| 5  | (noun)      | Roleplay; acting; imitation    |
| 6  | (noun)      | Event; incident; circumstance  |
| 7  | (noun)      | Hacking; spamming; attacking   |
| 8  | (adjective) | Doubtful; sceptical; wary      |
| 9  | (noun)      | Intimidation; menace; risk     |
| 10 | (noun)      | rampage; assault; force        |

### Activity 2

Read the text carefully

#### Are Social Media Platforms Safe?

Social media platforms, as one of the new media, have become a phenomenon in the world including in Indonesia with an amazing growing number of users. Data from the Indonesian Internet Network User Association (APJII) as of January 2016 reported there were 79 million users of social media in Indonesia. I am confident that social media allows all users to become producers of information, present an open space for responding to information, and build a virtual community with discussions in virtual space. However, I am afraid that the flexibility of discussion in social media is implying some negative impacts: the presence and increased intensity of hate speech and insecurity.

Hate speech is a form of intolerance of other groups of people. Another view sees its following impact which considers hate speech as an expression that attacks and encourages violence. As far as I know, this issue is getting more serious when many cases of violence are caused by provocations via social media. I often found attacking sentences to a certain tribe, race

or religion. For example, in 2015, the burning of the Tolikara mosque in Papua caused widespread fanfare because of the information confusion on social media.

I believe that almost every social media user has shared their information on their social media, especially on the popular networking sites, like: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or WhatsApp. Unfortunately, this data may reveal them to various internet threats, such as: fake profiles or impersonation, viruses, and cybercrime. Fraudsters use deception by: asking for money to the followers on Instagram pretending that they were the real users, selling fraud items at a lower price than the market price, or even sending suspicious links for phishing purposes.

By all means, to reduce the negative effects of social media, the government must formulate better regulations for the digital community. This concept is often referred to as Digital Literacy. It enables people to access, sort and understand different types of information which can be used to improve their quality of life. In addition, one can participate in social life, state and politics by conveying their aspirations in certain channels. Through digital media, one can voice their perspectives and opinions for justice without harming others so that one can participate in social life better.

Source: Suko Widodo (Unair News) <https://news.unair.ac.id/2017/04/12/digital-literacy-strategy-responding-hate-speech-social-media/?lang=en>

Answer these questions based on the text "Are Social Media Platforms Safe?".

1. What is the communicative purpose of the text?
  - A. to describe how social media becomes a phenomenal emergence
  - B. to discuss the controversy of delivering hate speech on social media
  - C. to convince the readers how dangerous social media in internet are
  - D. to inform about the Indonesian Internet Network User Association
  - E. to explain digital literacy for some communities in the internet
2. The third paragraph talks about?
  - A. The popular networking sites
  - B. Fraudsters' Instagram account
  - C. How hackers do the phishing
  - D. Various threats of social media
  - E. The purpose of cybercrime
3. The word "their" in paragraph 3 refers to?
  - A. social media users'
  - B. popular networking sites
  - C. various internet threats
  - D. selling fraud items
  - E. fake profiles by fraudster
4. Why does hate speech on social media platforms may lead to violence?
  - A. Since it is a form of tolerance of other groups of people in an event
  - B. Because it is considered as an attacking sentence only by youngsters
  - C. As it has recently been a form of confusion on social media like twitter
  - D. Because it may initiate the provocation of a certain race or religion
  - E. Since it is the expression of freedom to a particular community
5. From the text, we may define digital literacy as ...
  - A. the availability and use of digital tools to communicate on the Internet, digital devices, smart devices and other technologies. (digital world)
  - B. a form of currency that is available only in digital or electronic form called digital or electronic money. (digital currency)
  - C. an individual's ability to find, evaluate, and communicate information through typing and other media on various digital platforms.
  - D. any communication media that operate with the use of any of various encoded machine-readable data formats. (digital media)
  - E. the component of marketing that uses the Internet and online based digital technologies promote products and services. (digital marketing)

6. To make a better internet environment, the author suggests that ...
  - A. the government makes use of digital literacy in remote areas.
  - B. digital literacy through proper regulation is devised comprehensively.
  - C. digital media need to be dispersed so there won't be hackers.
  - D. the recent worsening effects of social media on the internet.
  - E. popular social media must be aware of their adverse impacts<sup>33</sup>
7. From the text, it is implied that the author seems ... that social media may endanger the users.
  - A. serious
  - B. positive
  - C. concerned
  - D. piqued
  - E. ignorant
8. Digital literacy helps reduce the negative effects of social media because ....
  - A. it lets internet users access, sort and understand different information types used to improve their quality of life
  - B. it keeps the popular media voice their perspectives by harming others so that one can't participate in social life better
  - C. it drives social media influencers to improve their quality of life with better regulations for the digital community
  - D. it leaves common people participate in social life, state and politics by denying their aspirations in any places
  - E. it encourages social media experts to formulate better regulations for merely the digital community in Indonesia.
9. "In addition, one can participate in social life, state and politics by conveying their aspirations in certain channels (P.4)." The underlined word can best be replaced with?
  - A. burrows
  - B. sewers
  - C. worlds
  - D. universes
  - E. means
10. The author states, "However, I am afraid that the flexibility of discussion in social media is implying some negative impacts: the presence and increased intensity of hate speech and insecurity." in paragraph 1 is to ...
  - A. elaborate further information of social media
  - B. reveal the main objective of social media
  - C. develop the idea of having social media
  - D. present the drawbacks of social media
  - E. emphasize the importance of social media