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## **Is Social Media a Reliable Source of News?**

What happens when TikTok becomes your primary source of news and information?

The article provided highlights that nearly 40% of Gen Z prefer TikTok and Instagram as their search engines. According to the article, this trend contributes to the spread of misinformation.

Research supports this concern. Studies show that many students struggle to distinguish between fake and real news. A Stanford study even described students’ ability to separate fact from fiction online as “bleak.”

Now, as a student—and someone who understands how young people engage with social media and news—your question is this:

Is it a problem that many young people use social media as their main source of news? If you think it is a problem, explain why. Does it lead to misinformation? Uneducated voters?

Or is there another consequence that isn’t being addressed? If you disagree, explain why. Do you believe social media news will improve over time? Or do you think adults are simply overreacting to how young people consume information?

Whatever stance you take, be sure to provide evidence and clear reasoning.

So, once again:

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