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Facebook

Facebook is an online community where anyone can meet new people, keep in touch with friends and family that have moved away, post pictures they would like to share with others, post comments, and also show their interests and other things about themselves. I love the capabilities Facebook gives me. On Facebook I am able to upload pictures of me, my friends, and anything else I want to show people. It also allows me to keep in touch with friends and family that have moved away. I am by nature a very sociable person, so I greatly enjoy meeting new people. With the help of Facebook, it is rather easy to do with all of the applications it offers.

As of now, the pictures that appear on my page are random. They vary from prom to my Disney World vacation. This allows others a small glimpse of my life and what goes on inside of it. I also like being able to look at others' pictures for the same reason. Being able to see how other people act and what goes on in their lives helps when someone starts talking to them and getting to know them. I can "tag" people in pictures I take, which sends the pictures to their page so that they can enjoy the pictures as well. That is usually where one can find the best pictures because other people capture a different side of them than they do of themselves.

Since I just began a new chapter in my life at college, it is crucial that I make new friends to fill the pages. On my Facebook page there is a link where a person can click that is called "networks." When clicking on this, I can see who all is in my network or any network I choose. This allows me to add people as friends that I have recently met or would like to meet. This

gives me the chance to get to know them better, assuming they don't lie about anything they tell me.

Another thing I really like about Facebook is being able to keep in touch with family and friends that have moved away. There is an application called "the wall" that I am able to write on, and anyone can read what I write. However, I am also able to send people a personal message that only they can read. For example, my friend Lauren moved away five years ago. We used to write letters, but then it became harder to find time to mail them. Thanks to Facebook, I am able to keep in touch with her and everything that is going on in her life. Facebook also allows me to get missed homework from fellow students and notes that I might have missed in class at some point.

Even though Facebook seems great, there are also some drawbacks to it. As with any Internet or online site, there is a risk of Internet predators and identify theft. When people put too much information and pictures about themselves, they can end up attracting a predator. This is why people must be careful when talking to others and careful about what information they give out. Although Facebook has improved security precautions since it was started, unfortunately Facebook itself cannot keep people from lying, so people have to be responsible and very cautious with the information they give out.

To some people, Facebook is just a waste of time. However, I think it is a thing of great opportunity. Being able to view pictures of others and to show pictures of my own is a very neat thing. Meeting new people is something that I love to do, and Facebook makes it very easy. Keeping in touch with people who have moved away is very important to me, and through Facebook I am able to do it with greater ease. Facebook has many opportunities to offer; a person just has to log on and see.