

## Debate: Children under the age of 12 should use social media

### FIRST SPEAKER (EMILY)

1. Good afternoon Mr/Madam Chairman Ladies and Gentlemen,
2. The topic for our debate is children under the age of 12 should be using social media. Today my team and I will be discussing why kids under the age of 12 should be able to use social media.

2A. We define the topic as kids under the age of 12 should use social media as:

#### **Define**

Children: A son or daughter of any age.

Under: Extending or directly below.

Age: The length of time that a person has lived or a thing has existed.

Of: Used to show possession, belonging, or origin.

Age of 12: Kids 0-12

Should: Used to indicate obligation, duty, or correctness, typically when criticizing someone's actions.

Be: Exist

Able: Having the power, skill, means, or opportunity to do something.

To: Expressing motion in the direction of a particular location.

Use, take, hold, or deploy (something) as a means of accomplishing or achieving something; employ.

social media: such as Tik Tok, snapchat, Facebook, Instagram, Youtube, Discord and Roblox.

3. We, the affirmative team, believe that this statement is true.

3A. Today as the first speaker, I will be talking to you about cyberbullying.

Our second speaker will be talking about social media curing depression and social skills.

Our third speaker will rebut and sum up our team case.

## ARGUMENTS

8. I am going to discuss points about cyberbullying and social media and why it is a learning curve.

9. My first point is that cyberbullying is a big part of using social media.

10. This is because it can happen to people of all ages and all kinds. You can learn about cyberbullying. Some people might think you have to go through cyberbullying to know about it but that is not true you can learn about cyberbullying by watching videos on it or asking questions to people you know have gone through cyberbullying. If you're insulting people on the internet, you must be ugly on the inside." – Phil Lester. That is one of the many reasons why children under the age of 12 should be on social media

11. My second point is that cyberbullying can be a learning curve for children. Social media is great for children under the age of 12.

12. This is because it will teach them about cyberbullying at a very young age, cyberbullying is where a child/adult gets bullied online for anything. This is because If they ever experience cyber bullying they will learn at a young age never to talk/chat with a person that they don't know/trust. The reason for this is social media is a good safe space for kids under the age of 12 to feel welcome to all social media and not get made fun of. Social media can help you make new friends and online family.

## ENDING

13. Mr/Madam, today as the first speaker I have addressed why Children under the age of 12 should be using technology. **Technology is best when it brings people together.**

## SECOND SPEAKER (ISAIAH)

1. Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen.
2. The topic of our debate is kids under 12 shouldn't be allowed
3. We the affirmative team believe this statement is true.

## REBUTTAL

1. The first speaker from the negative team has tried to tell you that...
2. This is wrong because...
3. S/he has also said that...
4. This is wrong because...

## RECAP

7A. Our first speaker has already explained that cyberbullying is just a learning curve and is a learning experience.

## ARGUMENTS

5. Today, Our second speaker will be talking about Kids under the age of 12 should be using social media.
6. My first point is that it can improve your social skills. Why? You might ask because you can chat on many apps such as Tik Tok, Instagram, Facebook, Discord, Youtube, Snapchat and many others. Chatting with other people can improve your social skills. So that is why kids under the age of 12 should be using social media. People are using Social Media to Get Better at Socializing Online and Offline. Social media doesn't have to be a time thief. You could use it to gain better social skills or get more engaged with your community and friendship circles. You could also use it to connect with others in your city, meet new people, or motivate yourself. Social media can cure depression. Why can it cure depression? Because when you talk to people online it can improve social skills and can make you a more confident person. You can also talk to your real life friends online too so that is why kids under the age of 12

should be on social media. My second point is that children using social media is good because they have a more diverse audience to listen

## ENDING

13. So, in conclusion, that is the many reasons why children under the age of 12 should be using social media.

## **THIRD SPEAKER (LANA)**

Good afternoon Madam Chairman, ladies and gentlemen our team is debating Children under the age of 12 should be able to use social media. We, the affirmative team, believe that this statement is true.

## REBUTTAL

The first negative speaker has tried to tell you that...

This is wrong because...

The second negative speaker has tried to tell you that...

This is wrong because...

The third negative speaker tried to tell you that...

This is wrong because...

Our first speaker has told you that cyberbullying is a big part of using social media.

She also spoke about cyberbullying can be a learning curve for children. Social media is great for children under the age of 12.

Our second speaker told you about how it can improve your social skills. He also spoke about how social media can cure depression

So Madam Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, in conclusion we, Kids under the age of 12 should be using social media. If kids under the age of 12 don't have social media they might get made fun of because they don't have what the other kids have. When kids get made fun of they can have a really bad impact such as depression sadness or losing there lack of confidence because if some kids don't have social media then they will get made fun of by the kids who have social media .Social media is a big part of social and creative life for teenagers or preteens to learn new things. So that is why all kids under the age of 12 should use social media.

To conclude, children under the age of 12 should be on social media. We as a team have talked about curing depression, chatting to friends online, making new friends, getting bullied if children don't have social media, learning new things, social skills and cyber bullying.We as a team have discussed these 6 points. So that is why you should let your child use social media.