COVID-19 & TECHNOLOGY

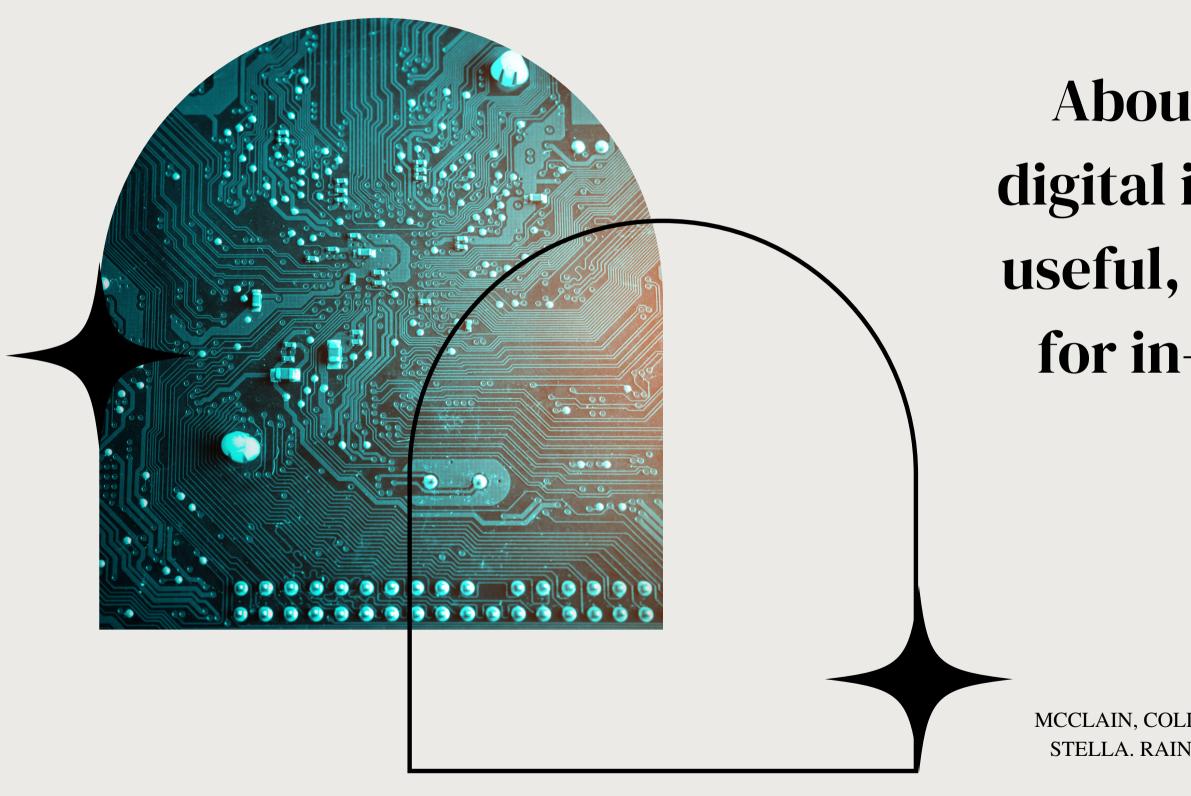
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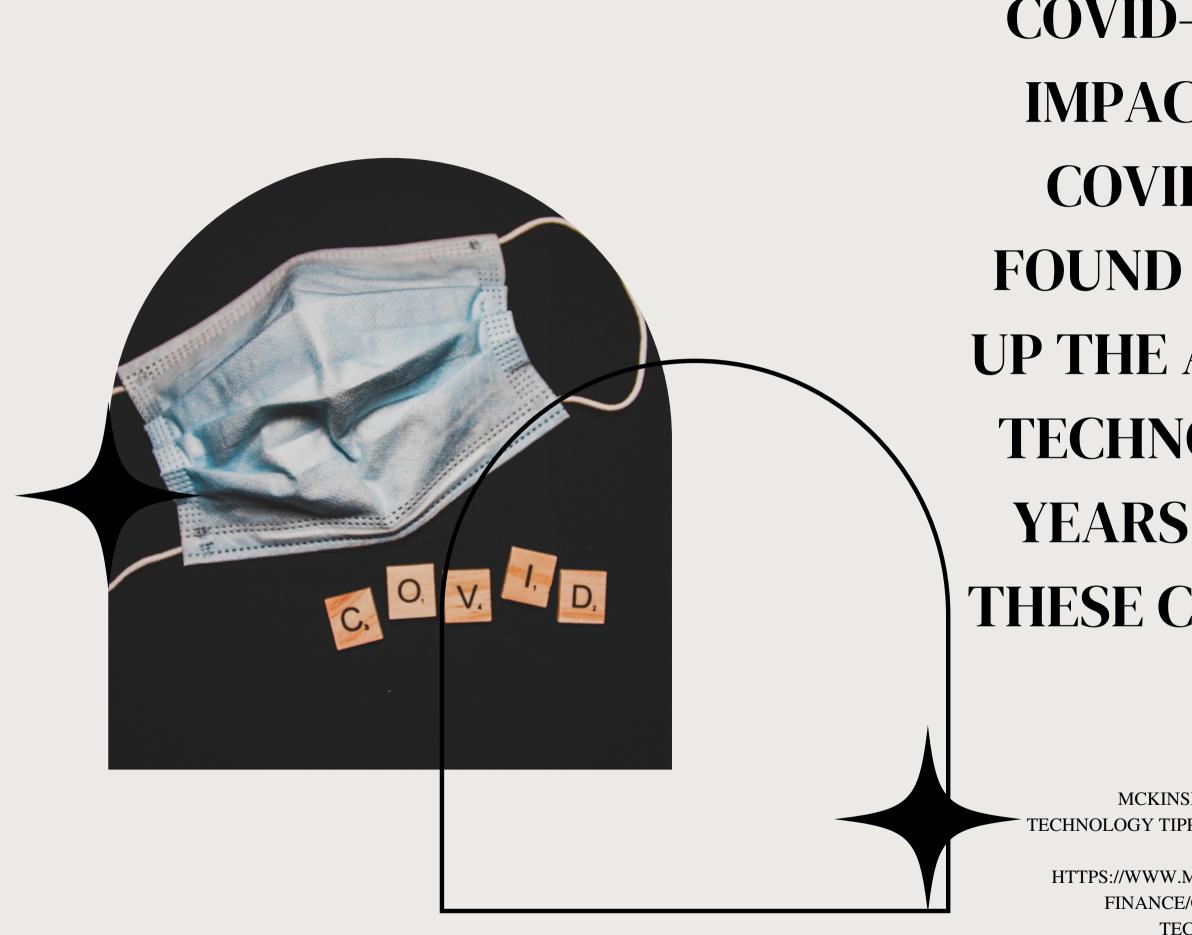
The impact that technology has made on society today. Is the rapid use of technology benefiting us today and how has CODVID-19 made an impact?





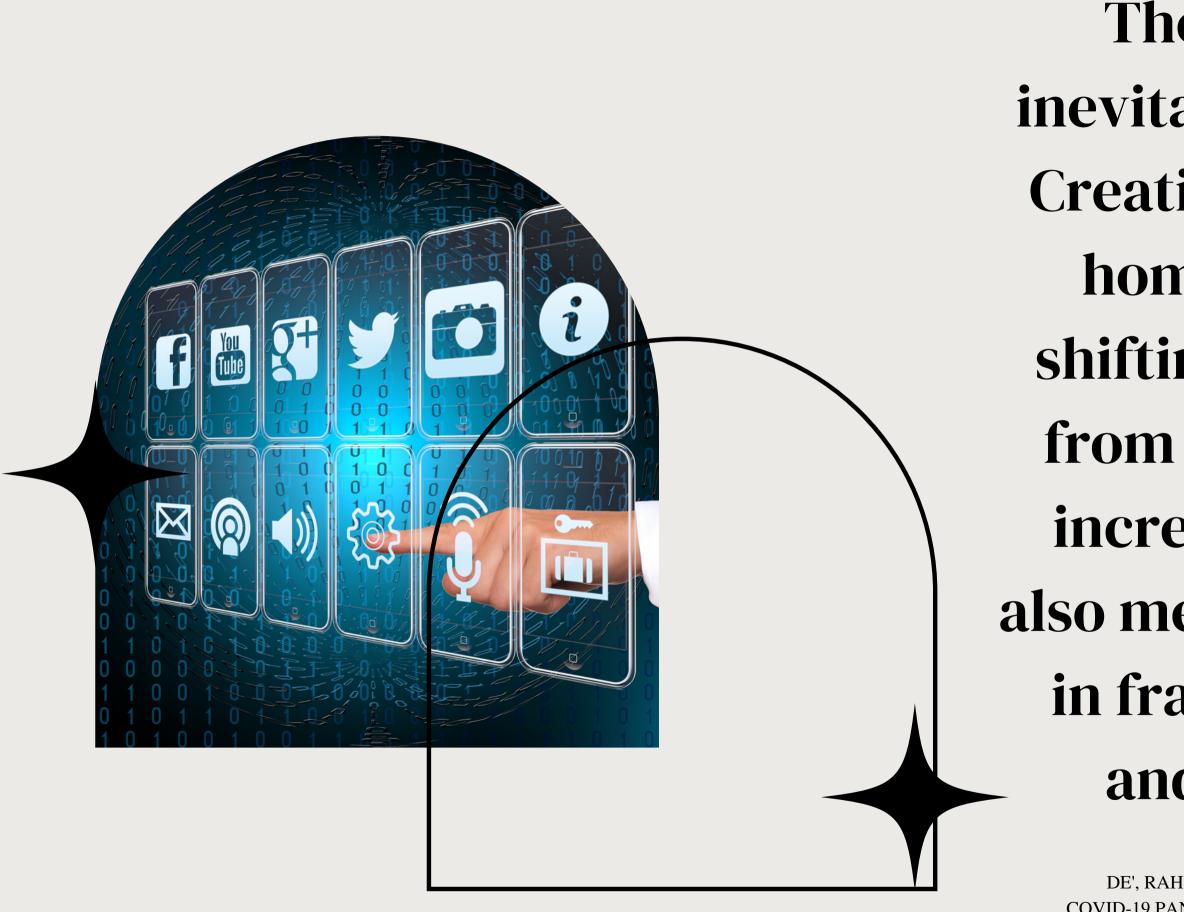
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About two-thirds say that digital interactions have been useful, but not a replacement for in-person contact (Pew Research).



COVID-19 HAS MADE A REAL IMPACT ON TECHNOLOGY. COVID-19 SURVEYS HAVE FOUND THAT THIS HAS SPED **UP THE ADOPTION OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES BY SEVERAL** YEARS AND THAT MANY OF **THESE CHANGES MAY BE HERE** FOR A WHILE.

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The pandemic led to an inevitable surge in digital use. **Creating a shift in work from** home jobs and education shifting to learning/teaching from home as well. With an increase in technology that also means a potential increase in fraud, scams, intrusions, and security breaches.

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Technology has made a huge impact for several people. For some, technology is what has saved them and allowed that human interaction still that we need and crave. For others, the worst thing that could have happened to them because they are used to living in certain ways. Technology has advanced rapidly, especially in the past few years. I think that it will continue to be a lifeline for some, especially those who use technology heavily for business purposes.



EXPLANATION

Social media causes a risk of isolation, depression, and withdraw from society. 95 percent of all information that exists on the planet is digitalized and most of it is accessible on the internet and other computer networks. (A Global Perspective)

The use of technology and increase in it, causes an increase in the risk of security issues. The misuse of technology is also a cause for concern as well as the misuse for spreading rumors, hate, and terrorism.

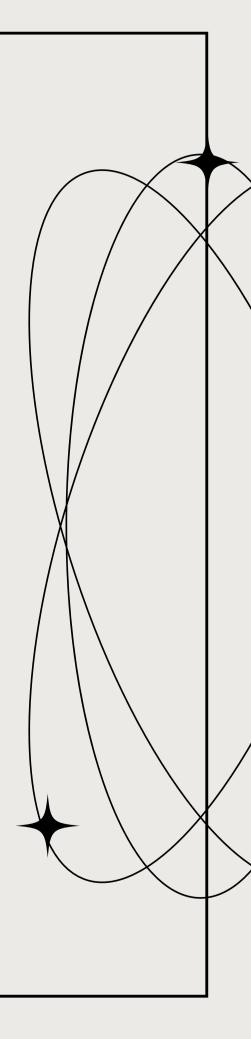
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EXPLANATION

The use of technology has both positive and negative results. Excessive or inappropriate use of technology can lead to isolation, depression, and disconnect. Technology can also often lead to miscommunication. It is occasionally hard to hear or understand the tone that is being used in communication.



CONCLUSION

Yes, the rapid use of technology is benefiting us today in many ways – that being some hurtful and some harmful. I believe that it is benefiting us by the ease of accessibility when it comes to the option to work from home. Technology has developed in many ways over the past few years and I don't see it stopping. I believe that the way technology has formed certain work and personal life aspects, it will just stay the same or continue to move forward instead of going back the way that it was. I think that is helpful in the terms that we can turn it on and off when we see fit for ourselves but it also allows you to work on time management and what works best for you.

CRITICAL THINKING

Why is critical thinking important? It is important because it helps you see new perspectives.

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