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Evidence Based Argumentative Writing

“In the blink of an eye, the search engine delivers useful information about pretty much any search imaginable,” said Author Nicholas Carr. Some authors are Nicholas Carr, Genevieve Roberts and Moran and Firth on the the articles “Is google making us stupid?” “Google effect: is technology making us stupid?” and “A study of students,” these articles are informal and argumentative. In my opinion, I think that google is making us “stupid” because of a few reasons, google is always getting us distracted by music, messages etc., we forget personal information and we can’t remember as much information as before.

First, google is always getting us distracted with messages, music, apps etc. According to Nicholas Carr, he states,”That’s the problem with Google-and with the internet in general when we use our computers and our cell phones all the time we’re always getting distracted.” When I do homework I sometimes get distracted with messages, music, or different apps so I get distracted and don’t memorize all the information I am learning. According to “Is google making us stupid,” it states,”The Net bombards us with messages and other bits of data, and everyone of those interruptions break our train of thought we end up scatterbrained.” When I am listening to music while reading sometimes I have to re-read it over without music because I get distracted by the lyrics. Google is leading to many people getting distracted instead of people doing their work with peace and quiet.

Next, some people forget personal information because of Google, and they also just have it in their phones. According to Genevieve Roberts, she states, "A recent study (you've probably forgotten it by now) suggests 90 per cent of us are suffering from digital amnesia." People are suffering from digital amnesia because all they do is look on the internet and forget to memorize what they learn. According to "Google Effect: is technology making us stupid?" it states, "More than 70 per cent of people don't know their children's phone numbers by heart, and 49 per cent have not memorized their partner's number." The statistic is true because in my house my siblings that have phones haven't memorized each other's numbers, they have only gotten the phone numbers and put it in their phones but what they don't get is when their phone dies and they can't call anyone they can't call anyone to borrow their phone but they don't know any numbers. Google and the internet does have a lot of information but what happens when it glitches or you don't have a device, so at that point you will need to memorize personal information.

Last but not least, we don't remember most of the information we have done or as much information as before. According to Moran and Firth, they state, "With search engines available all the time, we often don't encode the information internally, because we need it, we will look it up in the internet." Yes, google does allow us to search up information but we don't remember it because it is always going to be there. According to "A study of students online research Behavior by Moran and Firth," it states, "When the information is saved externally, we usually don't memorize it, but rather remember where we can find it." Google is making us not as smart as before because we just remember where we found the information and since google allows us to bookmark the page we don't remember what we have learned.

To conclude, my argument , google is making us not as smart and I can back that up with a few reasons, google is distracting us with messages, music, apps, etc., we forget personal information because we write it somewhere on a device, and we can't remember all the information that we have learned. The significant part about google is that it helps us do some assignments faster but we don't really learn as much about the topic so when it comes to a test based on the homework then you might fail the test. A consequence on how google affects our daily lives in a bad way is that people will need to get glasses to see the screens. Google is making us very useful but it can lead people to seeing bad things, bullying people online, and not remembering everything you learn. Google isn't all that bad and it can help you to see what career you want in the future.