

Media Influence on Teenagers

Media influence is having a big impact on teenage minds. I'm not saying that we should stop letting teenagers take part in media. I'm trying to say it's not teenagers' fault what companies broadcast on TV. Adults tend to blame teenagers for what they watch. It's their fault for creating the shows.

I think media influence helps connect with the world in a positive and negative way. In a positive way, it shows us the impact of issues our world is facing, like the great earthquake that happened in Japan with many people trying to help out as much as they can. In a negative way, TV and movies show mostly violence, or other negative behaviors.

Teenagers see the use of alcohol, drugs, violence, and other negative things that affect them in a bad way. Violence has a great impact. This is why many teenagers turn out to be bullies and victims at school. Video games that they play have a great amount of violence, but media sees this as interesting for teenagers. Drugs and alcohol on TV and at the movies are shown as not a big deal. Some shows even seem like they are trying to encourage teenagers to drink, or take drugs.

I watch TV a lot, and see that many shows aren't supposed to be watched by teenagers. These types of shows should be banned, or at least rated. My little brother is only eight years old, and he knows many things he is not supposed to know at his age. My mother blames us, but it's mostly the media's fault. I think media should get rid of the negative shows that influence teenagers. I don't think that making these kinds of shows is a good way to develop a teenager's image about the world. I think media is a place where people should find out things that happen in the world around us. Media should be more positive.

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