

Technology Has Changed How We Communicate

Over the years, technology has **revolutionized** our world and daily lives. Additionally, technology has created amazing tools and resources, putting useful information **at our fingertips**.

Modern technology **has paved the way** for **multi-functional devices** like the **smartwatch** and the **smartphone**. Computers are increasingly faster, more portable, and higher-powered than ever before. With all of these revolutions, technology has also made our lives easier, faster, better, and more fun.

Technology's advancements have provided quicker ways **to communicate through instant messaging** apps and **social media** platforms. Technology has also given us **brand new** devices in recent decades, like smartwatches, **tablets**, and **voice assistant** devices. With these devices, we can do things like transfer money instantly and make purchases for everything from clothes, food delivery, groceries, furniture, and more. Technology has changed how we entertain ourselves, meet each other, and consume all types of media. It's made fun advancements, but it's also made important advancements in safety when it comes to home security and medical devices.

Digital technology has changed what people term as "media." The influence of new technology on media is apparent since a media company isn't necessarily a news platform anymore. A media company is now any company that helps pass information across the globe, including social media platforms like Facebook and Twitter.

Social media isn't the only big statement digital technology has made. Neither is social media the only way technology has had an impact in everyone's life.

Before mobile technology, you had to search through a dictionary to understand the meaning of a word. Now you can **look words up in a dictionary app** or quickly **search the Internet**. Beyond words, you can search for practically anything on the Internet using search engines like Google and Bing.

How has technology helped communication? The advancement of technology has made communication unbelievably fast and convenient. It's incredible to look back and see how much easier communication has gotten over the years. Communication tools offer one of the most significant examples of how quickly technology has evolved.

In the past, writing a letter, sending faxes, or finding a wired telephone was the best way to communicate remotely with someone. To connect with someone in society today, you have many more efficient options at your fingertips. You can send them a message on social media, text them, video chat, email, or put a call through. These new methods can help you **keep in touch with** loved ones, especially if you're aging in place or living alone.

Social Media

Facebook, Twitter, or Skype have **become household names**. Even if you don't use these platforms, they're a part of everyday life and not going away anytime soon. Regardless of your location, messages via social media get delivered on these platforms at the same rate and speed whether the recipient is right beside you or on

the other side of the globe. You can also send voice messages through these platforms, and it is delivered in nanoseconds.

Messaging Apps

The way we use mobile phones has changed dramatically as well. In addition to social media platforms, there are numerous other **applications** specifically designed for communication. If social media isn't for you, WhatsApp and other messaging apps enable you **to** quickly **message** family and friends and even **make calls over Wi-Fi**.

You can **email through your phone** or send SMS text messages through your mobile provider, but many smartphones have their own messaging platforms built directly into the phone. On Apple iPhones, iMessage allows you communicate with anyone else who has an iPhone for free using WiFi or cellular data.

Smartwatches

Communication has even evolved beyond mobile devices and personal computers. We can now send messages through tablets, voice assistants, smartwatches, and more. The smartwatch is a relatively new technology that captures almost all the capabilities of smartphones in a convenient **touch-screen watch**. You can receive **notifications**, **track** your **activity**, set alarms, and even call and text directly through these wearable devices. Smartwatches can also serve as a way to communicate with **emergency responders**.

Technology has changed how we pay bills and transfer money

No more do you have to enter a bank **to withdraw money** or transfer it to someone. Many banks have already made transactions possible online and accessible to people everywhere. Companies like PayPal and Venmo have created platforms where people can send and receive money from any location using the Internet.

Paying bills has also become simplified thanks to technology. You can automatically schedule payments when they are due rather than having to remember to mail a check. With your cell phone and a banking app, you can **manage** all of your necessary **bill payments online**.

It's even simple to pay for things using only your smartphone. With Apple Pay and Google Wallet, you don't need to carry cash when you go shopping. These apps securely link your bank account to your mobile phone. The same machines you use **to swipe your credit card** at the store now allow mobile payments from your phone.

Technology has changed how we watch TV

Cable companies are continuously **rolling out new features** allowing viewers to pause and **rewind** live TV and record their favorite programs to watch later.

With your mobile devices, you can watch, or "**stream**" the tv shows you want, when you want, and how you want. Streaming services offer access to cable TV shows and original content for a low monthly price. Streaming is just another way to watch your favorite shows, but it uses the Internet instead of cable. It can be a more **cost-effective** way to watch television. Unlike traditional cable tv packages, you don't have to pay for large cable bundles with channels you don't use. Streaming services offer movies and TV shows that are grouped by genre, making it easy to

find your favorites. With streaming, you can watch **on the go** – all you need is an Internet connection.

More and more TVs these days are even designed for streaming. “Smart TVs” have Wi-Fi capability, which allows them to connect to streaming services using the Internet. Smart TVs will enable you to access more programs and even save money. With a Smart TV, you can access both streaming services and cable channels. To save money, you can also **opt-out of** cable altogether.

How has technology changed forms of entertainment?

Paper books aren’t going anywhere. However, **e-reader** devices have made reading easier when you’re on the go. An e-reader device can hold thousands of books without taking up space in your home. It’s a great way to have multiple options **on hand** if you’re going on a trip or vacation.

Audio books are an especially great way to enjoy classic and new books alike. Though you’re not reading, you’re still able to consume a great story through an **audiobook**. Audio books are great when it becomes more challenging to read the small type in books.

Technology has changed how we date

With the proliferation of online **dating sites**, you can **register on a website**, find a match, and start to communicate **at your own pace**. Many people don’t meet face to face until they decide there is a connection. This **vetting** helps you **prioritize** your time and protect your privacy while still getting to know someone new.

For better or worse, technology has also made it possible for you to find other people’s personal information on the Internet through social media. You can gain access to the information you want to know about a particular person. Some people who aren’t used to social media may view this as an unnecessary new part of life. However, it’s helpful to get to know people and keep up with them through busy schedules.

Online dating platforms have millions of registered users and have received lots of good **reviews** from every part of the world. Dating platforms have helped people connect with their matches in a way where neither party has to waste the other person’s time. It is comfortable, straightforward, safe, and it works.