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WORDS TO ELATE.

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Computing-1-anti- piracy

I built an antipiracy software to help developers find out how many copies of their software are being pirated on a daily basis, the number of potential customers they were losing due this sweet vice, and also if possible be able to respond to the pirates by reporting their servers and websites to assigned authorities for appropriate action to be taken against them, to my surprise within the first one week of releasing my software, I discovered that it had been pirated, over five thousand copies already downloaded. How can an anti-piracy software be pirated? I built it so that it can at least reduce piracy on the web if not completely stop it when it ended up being pirated itself. It then became clear to me that piracy no matter how hard we try is something we can never end soon. The use of internet itself is a form of piracy, anything that can be digitised can be pirated. And any information locked onto a server can be hacked into. There is nothing safe on the World Wide Web. And any cash that is placed inside a safe can be broken into, nowhere is safe. However, Apps are harder to pirate compared to pc software.

We can release a software only after we have sat down in a meeting and have concluded that upon release, it shall be immune to piracy, when hundreds of its copies are being pirated daily by selfish pickers, there are on the other side thousands of shoppers who come to our store daily to buy the genuine copies. The World Wide Web, its route structure itself is a digital piracy business. We send one another scanned copies of our documents each day, isn't that piracy?

All software is vulnerable to exploitation a software so soft; this brings us to the obvious conclusion that:

- For every genuine software sold there are one hundred copies of it pirated in the dark street corners of the World Wide Web.
- The most pirated software are the ones that are most sold at genuine store outlets.

- Those who pirate programs never ever buy genuine ones even if they have the money, they'd never throw away money at something they can get for free.

A software so soft indeed, what a poor you?

Computing-2-The problem of electronics.

It seems that electronics are plagued with so many problems, other than a lack of power due to fast power drainage, faulty batteries, they are prone to breakups, the screen could be easily smashed on a rough surface or when it falls to the ground.

They are also very prone to theft, People very often steal cool electronic gadgets. I rarely hear of a professional thief who was caught stealing books from a bookstore or a regular mail stolen on its transit route.

E-devices can be easily misplaced, when I am travelling, I often forget my e-device in a bus so many times that I have decided not to carry it with me when on a journey,

E-content is prone to attack by malicious programs that can mess with your entire applications. Everything inside that device lives at the mercy of the gadget, its safety, endurance, reliability etc. you find yourself re-downloading your software, apps and books over and over again.

Health and safety of e-books is constantly at the mercy of the electronic device on which it's being stored.

Electronics are also rather troublesome, when you want to write fast, really fast, you will need a reliable source tools, that's pen and paper.

Computing-3-technology the saviour.

Its technology that's helping law enforcers perform their duties, without it criminal investigators wouldn't be as proud as they are now, its technology that's helping merchants conduct their trade, it drives commerce, its technology that's boosting manufacturing, heavy industries, travel, communication, education, agriculture, healthcare, everything, there is not a thing man can do today without the aid of machines.

Computing-4- more to invent.

There are a hundred trillion inventions that have not already been made, for those who are claiming that others are faking it all, they should sweat, sweat and sweat a lot more, and then will they find whatever they have been looking for. Technology is revealing to us that what our ancestors were proud of to have discovered is not even one in a zillionth of what remains hidden out there. If you look deeper you will see things that your eyes have never hoped to look at, you will hear sounds your ears could not interpret fully and information goes through your mind that your brains can hardly take in.

Computing-5-Death of print.

The rise of the machines is at hand, age of electronic devices has begun and are adding a great boost to printed work.

Ink and paper have been there for over five thousand years, there is no assurance that they can be eradicated by the evolution of electronic devices in just a few decades, they are just there to boost the printed press as a learning tool. But never to eradicate them. Printed work is more reliable than digital work, though many records show that entire libraries have been burned, and tones of written records destroyed by natural hazards such as water or aging. The invention of airplanes made travel easier and faster, but it did not eradicate road travel by vehicles or sea travel by ships, which has been there for thousands of years.

In fact, electronics will multiply printing process by tenfold. Electronic material becomes more enduring than print material because it gets into the hands of many, therefore a loss from an individual would not affect it. As there are millions who have made copies for themselves.

The attitude that people have towards electronic reading of academic texts hasn't changed a little. As you imagine you are going to stare at a blank screen with some imaginary ink and paper inside for hours till your eyes become sour or hurt. It sounds both strange and amusing.

One day an elderly asked me, "I want to keep my Will & tittle deed in a safe place where I can find it whenever I need it," I suggested he see a software engineer who will give him better advice, as soon as he heard that, he walked away saying, "please don't tell me any of that, I know all about it, you send your personal confidential files or documents to be stored in an unknown place where nobody can go. Where exactly is that place? Doesn't it have a name a location, an office where you can go to claim your documents when you need them? I prefer to keep my papers in simple tangible form than to have them sent to mysterious locations where every stranger can have easy access to them."

I realised that the more you try to explain to him the scarier and confusing it becomes to him, so we better end the conversation. The world is stranger and scarier now than it was before, many elderly people will admit this.

Computing-6-death of grammar

Once these kids begin to do all their assignments using their mini pcs, word editors will automatically correct every word they misspell, and every phrase they misquote will quickly be corrected by the fancy machines. How then will you be able to test their grammar if they don't need to do anything on their own? It's like giving a third grader a calculator to use at every exam and then expect them to know simple calculations off head. What about creative writing and compositions? They can easily check-up thesaurus in the dictionaries. The marginalisation of the handwriting is inevitable.

Computing-7- foolish techno phrasing.

I met a bunch of hill Billies who were arguing with one another about who's the most tech surveyed among them. They were all in their late seventies, and most of them had received very little education.

Education was not compulsory at their time so their families had decided to buy a wheat farm from which they all grew up in, with their children and grandchildren. Whoever gave names to those techno objects they don't know pretty sure.

"You know I hear about the cutting of the hedge technology that has come to our little town, with the states of the heart technology, the funny looking cars of the youth have many horse powers,"

"One of them hit another with a kali-bar bullet for many rounds and munitions, the police searched the area for Ds and As, they found it in his urine, the kid had sprayed the potted plant with acid, they also took their fingers for printing before they are completely sure, they also found stains on walls, and used high ferocity impact sprinter to identify it, inside the boot, they found some hard drivers and soft drivers, plus many small chips, they also had in their possession two compound disks and a fresh disk to be used to sniff out information.

Workers do many jols of work every day

Sailing for a thousand notes.

Flying up high where there is small dig-reed Celsius, and many far and heights.

The electricity comes in small huts, and homes.

Using no-no technology to catch tiny bugs.

My grandchildren wanted to send my wife Angela a new keyboard and some mice, I wondered what that package was going to look like? I don't have a piano what am I going to use a keyboard for? Who would send you moles as a gift?

Do some of you here have blue teeth, I would like to check out my yellow pages and send some documents.

My daughter was complaining yesterday that she had received a lot of SPAMS in her inbox, what it is doing there, and who could have sent such a wicked package to my only child?

I will go into a neighbourhood where there are many WIFEs then I connect to them all, to get the hot sports.

Then I came across this hollow & white web. Where you find some are browsing while others are grazing. Many things available of which you can choose from.

First you need a fire and a fox (or is it supposed to be a fox with its tail on fire) with the help of a monitor, or you can go to the cyber caves where there is searching the gears and engines with goggles.

At the entrance there is a pass and a word place before you go through.

Inside you will see many amazing things including
Faces on a book
Tweeting birds
Then I will see you in a tube.”

Computing-8- awkward telegram never

Remember the awkward days of sending telegrams where you have to chop off important words in your message so that the telegram would go through? Not anymore. Instead of writing a full paragraph you are forced to shrink your information into a single line sentence. Which actually makes it loose meaning. Or it might give the message a meaning totally different from what you had intended it to be, yet people survived on, life continued with just that.

Computing-9- attention deficit.

Attention deficit has been on the rise in university colleges due to the widespread penetration of electronics or learning devices. Professors and lecturers are complaining much, students don't pay needed attention as they used to, despite the fact they try to gather as much information to present to their students, every time they are in class, only about a tenth is paying attention while the others are in the worlds of their own, their eyes stuck onto gawky screens, this serious issue occurs over and over again such that some professors are threatening to quit their teaching practice. Though absent mindedness during class is not a new thing, the emergence of electronics seems to have worsened the situation.

I heard this remarkable statement from a professor who was speaking to some of his students at a school council, an exchange programme meeting between Browburgg UNIS, and Clowtagg UNIS., He said, "you see most of you students of course let's say all of you come here to gain knowledge, isn't that right? Yes of course", they said,

"Are you aware of the fact that some students have made dozens of excuses for missing class or not paying enough attention out of this? If one read a lot of medical journals available at the library and fails to attend class, does that make him/her a doctor? If students study flight aerodynamics on their own and finish the entire course, does that automatically qualify them as pilots?"

"No of course not," they mumbled back.

"then you should know this, frankly you remind me of a lady who once came to see me, she asked me if I could find a trustworthy tutor, I asked what for, she said that her firstborn son is growing up quickly and as soon as soon as he is able to walk or talk, she wants a teacher at her home to start the teaching right away. Her child is going to be home-schooled.

We stood right there at the entry of the mall for about an hour, discussing the matter. I was trying my best to advise her to take her child to school, but on the other hand she was giving lots of enough reasons why she thinks public schools are dangerous for her child.

I understand the mother's concerns for her child. She fears that her child may get involved in some risky behaviour or get influenced by some bad company. I understand all that, but if you are saying so, those are some of the things all of us here go through growing up, how can they know what is right when they don't know what is wrong?

Going to school does not only provide academic qualifications, there is a whole range of things children learn, they get to interact with their friends, play all sorts of sports, games both physical and mental, learn ethics, and a lot much more, the competitive nature acquired after taking rigorous academic tests prepares them for the hardships and competition they are going to experience later in life.

And for these reasons a lot of students here think they can just collect all the required notes, read them and simply miss all classes, then when their test results come, they all get to pass with flying colours, and walk away with first class honours. And claim they are better off than those who have been in class all the time yet made only an average grade.

If it were so, why don't you go and read all about aerodynamics, when finished with all volumes, take a plane and fly it, see if you reach the sky safely, as folks think academic learning is a large compound made up of many small fragments which can be extracted to be used separately, there is a lesser-known holistic approach.

Electronics have become a real problem in the recent years, a few decades ago, students would go to sleep when they feel a lecturer is too boring, or switch off, now you don't have to endure the long hours of boring lecture to the end. If there is anything a student doesn't like he simply stoops, turns on his device plugs earphones into their ears, and gets busy down the knees. " "Why should you watch another video & listen to an audio on your device instead of listening to my voice". Says the lecturer.

Computing-10- technology a blessing or a curse?

Has technology improved our lives or as it added more burdens to our already busy schedules. When one says improvements, it would rather mean things are simpler, life is easier, you don't have to spend extra hours, meditating at your office table, salaries are higher, you relax and sleep much longer, everything is smooth., when machines take over daily labour, if that was really the case? We would not be complaining of backaches, eye problems, stomach crumps and fatigue. In fact, in countries where technology is at its highest peak, people are working twice as hard, twice as long, and double the expenditure of money they need to keep those technologies running, and in a good condition, machines don't reduce the workload, they simply make the work easier.

Technology has proven to be both a blessing and a curse.

Does technology really simplify life or does it clutter it with more meaningless stuff? There is an astronomical phrase which says, travelling to the moon takes 16 days, one day of steering the shuttle till it touches its surface carefully and 15 days of figuring out which buttons to press.

As technology teach children everything (many things about the world) but never teach them things a parent would do about life, about responsibility about penance.

Computing-11- electronics for learning.

At the dawn of the techno age people believed that the internet would make children smarter and quicker at learning new things, from the way we see things around my place it has done the opposite, it has made children more foolish, we are raising a generation of ignorant youngsters who believe they know everything about the world when they actually know nothing important.

I was in a waiting room with some people to see an advocate, then there was this kid who was sitting next to her mother with two others, he was kind of reading a red booklet with blue markings on the edges, with the words *Hawaii the land of ferocious fires*, he was wearing a navy blue uniform with red and white stripes at the wrists, I said hello, and he replied back gladly, then I asked which school are you from, he described it in rapid fire including the grade, he was in class seven, "wow! That's good," I mumbled looking at the magazine cover he was staring at I posed a question, "do you know what a marsupial is? No!" He replies, "But you should be knowing by this age, you said you are in class seven right?" "yes of course, but I just don't remember, he says, some teacher taught us a year ago and went away so I don't remember," then I thought it wise to keep the conversation going with another question, "do you know what rocks are?" there was no answer. I gave three more simple questions based on his primary school curriculum and each time came up with the same blunt replies, then seemingly utterly annoyed, he barked at me saying, "Why don't you go and find that out on the internet? Our teacher taught us how to search the internet to learn more of things we learn at school like last week we searched for vertebrates, birds and amphibians." I didn't ask him any more questions after this for I was shocked beyond belief. I wanted to say "hey what's wrong with you kid," but later saw it was no use.

I can't imagine the kid is blaming the availability of the internet for his ignorance at school believing he can find everything there and does not need to remember anything at all. This is a sign of laziness and reluctance about to thrive instead of the desire for academic excellence.

Primary school pupils no longer care about their handwriting or even the neatness of their works or books, because they know they will type it on a keyboard, the age of handwriting recognition and uniqueness, (identification) will soon disappear and be replaced by disarray of electronic writing.

Electronics boost learning processes in colleges and institutions of higher learning, that is a great benefit to the academic elite, but when it comes to juniors, it poses serious questions. Bombarding them with all these gadgets in their classrooms might interfere with their calmness and learning processes,

Furthermore, it takes a long time to learn how to use these gadgets especially programs that come with them, probably six to twelve months of training is enough, so they won't be useful for someone who doesn't know how to read, secondly, they rely heavily on power source and power supply, so they won't be useful in places where there is no electricity. A vast majority of school going children around the world do not have access to electricity in both their homes and schools, in the meantime this program will only be available to a few rich kids who live in mega cities. Electricity is the father of all electronics, without it no gadget can be of use to anyone.

There is a group of enthusiasts who are very determined to distribute electronics to all primary school going children around the world, including grade one and grade two pupils. The important question is, do they teach children how to read and write because that's what children go to school to do, "to learn how to read and write." should those electronics boggle their minds with unwanted programs, they will simply break them and ask for another one.

A teacher once removed all electronic learning materials from her classroom when she found out that children were playing more games when she goes out. All the time when she is in class, they pay no attention to her, instead keep staring at the screens throughout the lesson and end up learning nothing.

For someone who know what they are doing, then it becomes useful but for children who have no idea what the gadget is for will lose much.

Can they completely replace the role of the teacher in class? Books have been there for over millennia, they are easy to handle, when you give child an electronic gadget, they stop listening to your words, unlike books, these are clumsy creatures, it raises their curiosity and want to experiment with them tweaking things here and there, they look strange and produce funny sounds, these are exactly what they have been looking for" they say unto themselves, a plaything.

What was meant to be an educational tool ended up being used as a child's toy. Electronics destroy a pupil's interest in academic work, they look for something more exciting always instead of something of value. Excessive information fed to them saps their energy and enthusiasm as they strive to acquire more.

Back at campuses, the librarian says, we have thousands of academic texts on our library shelves we have about ten times more on our electronic library, we encourage students to open up as many books as they can related to their courses, they didn't have to be physically present in the library because they can log in and access them from virtually anywhere. What puzzled him most was that only a handful of learners who visit the electronic source while an overwhelming majority come to the library grounds to study the printed texts, electronic sources have many advantages" he says since you don't need to be physically present in the library to access them, you can read them anywhere anytime, are convenient to carry around. No more bulky luggage of books, one thing we don't understand is why no one reads them much as they read printed texts.

E-Book readers are overwhelmed by the large number of books they need to read at a short period of time, this quickly leads to discouragement.

One student who was studying geology then said, "I would like to have printed copies of my maps as well as we look at the electronic version. As we do survey on land, I would pinpoint places, draw markers on locations and put symbols on target areas on the map. it's just the feel of it we love, long after we are done with our planning at the round table, we roll up our maps and put them in backpacks and begin walking up straight the mountain, once you are on the mountain, no electronic gadget becomes useful where there is no network coverage or power."

Another student led out her grievances saying that someone stole her gadget when they had gone on a trip. She lost all her notes, her books, some saved work and photographs of the assigned destination. She had not backed up any of her research notes on paper which means that she will have to start again from scratch. It has been many months since she last wrote on a piece of paper that could be why she did not imagine what could have happened.

To me it's no different story, you often find too many things competing for your attention from the same screen. But you can do only one at a time, you have to sacrifice all the others to attend to only one. many articles lay there in the background without being touched, sometimes you even forget of their existence and drift away into uncertainty, unless it has very important information that you treasure very much, unless you are under immense external pressure to read e.g., exams mode for the course or a job demand, you might never look at that book. So many applications competing for the same screen that only a few, say a handful end up being used in the long run, you become like a fellow who subscribes to a thousand satellite stations and end up utilising only one channel during the entire summer holiday, since there is only one screen and you can watch only one programme at a time, many stations are left unused for the sake of a few.

On the other hand, print works quiet well, people love just the feel of books, magazines, papers etc. when you go home with a piece of magazine that has no attractive cover, or a book with an entire black cover, and drop it onto the table, other family members will pick it up and try to look at it no matter how unattractive it may be on the cover, they may spend several minutes or hours starring at the pages, just perusing through, the feel of it is just so great.

On the other hand, you ask a friend to take a look of an interesting news bulletin on your electronic device, exciting news story you must read and asked them to do the same, once you have handed them the gadget, they don't even finish the entire text, instead they flip over the other pages turn off the newsreader and explore other programs on your device or search for pictures or videos on your device. A completely irrelevant information.

Computing-12- nerdy geeks.

You can't send children into a computer laboratory then leave them to find things out for themselves without any guidance which could be dangerous for them. It's a freedom only applicable to students in higher education. But for pre-school and secondary school going children that would be loading them with bulk of information which could possibly harm them. Their computers should come pre-programmed with their relevant subjects, if possible, disconnect the entire library from the World Wide Web.

Children are tracking their parents' activities online more rigorously and much swifter than their parents are, and they happen to be smarter in this field.

Technology raising kids with poor posture, a sluggish and soggy look with their eyes glued onto the screen of a tiny gadget held in their hands with some long plastic thread hanging from their head, plugged deep into their ears, and once in a while laugh at themselves then go back to gaze at the small screen, people in the bus turn to see what the hullabaloo is all about only to see what looks like a disoriented kid making funny faces to a hand held gadget, as if something has gotten into his eyes, or talking to the plastic box, with probably an old friend behind the prehensile screen.

Computing-13-words over the wire.

Communication through the internet, telephone & regular mail (*plus all forms of communication*) filters out all awkwardness you would have experienced if you have been doing a face-to-face communication, noise and interferences are filtered out, what's only left, soul touching words. No wonder why people are more comfortable sharing private information with people they don't know hoping they will never meet one day in the streets.

Computing-14- teachers behind screens.

Students will continue to learn the way they have done, the only difference is that they won't have to be physically in a class nor have to travel many miles to attend one, they will observe their teachers carefully as they repeat their actions who will now be standing behind a screen, to their advantage, the students can now afford to pay little to no attention for they are far out of reach, they can ask the teacher to hold on if they want to take a short call. They can ask the teacher to speak louder, if he/she is not audible enough, they can ask them to pause, repeat what they have said even if it's a hundred times over, or jump over to another topic far ahead, all these commands they obey without hesitation, all you need to do is to have a mouse, then click. Their teachers are willing to do everything their students ask them at a lightning speed.

Computing-15- information bombardment.

Imagined myself back in my cottage in the country side sitting by the fireplace. Taking a warm coffee, with only some few old books around and a tattered newspaper, with no much electronics to entertain you, the place was very quiet and also very happy.

In the city you find yourself bombarded by information from every direction.

It's just that when you start searching the web, you are bombarded with so much information that you don't know which ones to take in and which ones to leave out. Take for instance an office worker searches the web to look for potential markets for their company goods. The search results brings in lots of extra information of which he had no clues of. The extra results appear somehow exciting and therefore decides to venture into them, there is lots of interesting splash screen promotions too. He continually searches hours on till he forgets what he was supposed to be doing.

He turned on the net to send a business e-mail, then slowly turns his attention to his personal inbox, then wanted to chat with some friends for a little while, now he has been on the web for more than eight hours and still hasn't found what he was searching for.

Internet addicts have something special in mind they have been looking for which even if you give them a hundred years, they still won't be able to find it. The web opens a new world of opportunities but also a new world of distraction.

Internet does give a great bulk of resource on nearly every aspect of a human being, but there is a lot more of things you still won't find on the internet, it cannot teach you everything about life the way your conscience would do. Information overload is one of the key challenges technology brings forth.

The internet has indeed become a necessity and has changed the way we work, interact, learn etc. The internet has clenched hard into our lives like nut and bolt.

Computing-16- electricity the father of all electronics

Electricity is the father of all electronics

Our world was pretty dark and quiet before came along electricity.

If one was to fly high above the clouds at night time to look at the world below, they'll see a glittering globe, contrary to what it was centuries ago.

Computing-17- Spread like wild fire.

Technology is spreading far and wide to the farthest locations of the globe, even in the remotest parts of the world, you will find mobile communication and the internet, I saw some Tuareg herders searching for a network in the Sahara Desert and Amazonian forest dwellers climbing tall trees to catch a network. I saw a chimp inside a zoo holding a tablet, that picture I remember very vividly, what I still do not comprehend is whether it was actually reading, watching a movie, playing a game, or simply curious about the gadget and probably was glaring on a blank screen.

Computing-18- back to main library

The good thing about online search is that you get information you were searching for immediately, exactly the way you hoped it to be unlike a conventional library where you will be forced to go through dozens of books, peruse through thousands of pages just to find the single piece of information you were looking for.

E-learning is still in its infancy stage, despite the technological advances that have been made in the last few decades.

It's harder to read text on an electronic device than to read it on a printed page, video turns out to be the easiest and the most enjoyable way to learn using electronics, if the education systems wants to be entirely digital, then they better convert all the lessons into video. Classes of the future will be like educative mini movie theatres, where children go there simply to watch a lesson.

Unlike conventional libraries where you can walk through the shelves, pick dozens of books and read them simultaneously, you have on the table half a dozen books with pages open as you crosscheck information from one title to another when doing research, many e-readers and apps can only open or display one book page at a time, as the other related book pages remain locked away in the background, you could easily lose track of your research progress since you cannot post sticky notes on e-readers. Since electronics are not good at making or keeping notes, it's absolutely why I still like pen and paper, as soon as I get to the table, I would like to grab a pen and start right

away. Unlike electronic devices where you click through a series of stubborn programmes wasting early precious minutes where your exuberance is at its peak.

electronics are not good for grade 1 kids, let it be someone who knows what they are doing for the time being. You buy a kid a hundred thousand pounds E-gadget, and two weeks later they have smashed it, and they want another better than the first.

The easiness to flip through pages makes it also easy to ignore important content, the kids rapidly flip through the pages they were supposed to read in detail looking for interesting features, if your book does not have marvellous pictures then less likely is it going to be read.

The high-tech class room atmosphere with all its resources will be in contrast with the immediate world outside where these gadgets would have limited functionality.

I wonder why students despise their teachers greatly these days, maybe it's because they can find a more constructive and detailed information on the internet, I remember in the nineties, teachers were greatly respected in all provinces. They were said to possess precious knowledge, that knowledge if passed from one generation to generation will transform the society, they are like walking treasure box from which any passer by can grab their fill of the jewels.

Although the internet may teach children many good things, it cannot teach them about life-skills values, principles the way a parent would do.

Computing-19- technology the betrayer of secrets.

In this high-tech world, there is nothing you can hide ma-friend, spying has spiralled out of control, neighbours spy on each other's compound, there is nothing to hide from others, everything is exposed out there for the world to see, whatever way you try to hide your secrets, the spy master, the internet with many other technologies will hover over your head recording everything you do and transmitting that information live for others living far away to see, if you lock yourself into the safety of your home it folds itself into an insect and passes through tiny openings in the windows and chimneys, if you run outside

to dive in the pool it follows you there. If you abandon your dwellings and go into the woods to hide yourself inside a cave, it will still get you there, there is nothing secret anymore.

Computing-20- brittle electronics

How can a programme or software be reliable if the hardware components & electronic device upon which they are stored is brittle as glass, such an unreliable tool, when someone loses their electronic device they weep bitterly, not because of the monetary value of the scrap but the energy, time and resources spent on keying in valuable data, many months. Years' worth of work vanishes in just a second, it snaps away "TAP!" just like that and you will never study from it again. No wonder why many elderly people prefer to keep information on a diary than to store contacts on their electronic device, a phonebook/directory may become old and dusty, dog eared, tattered pages, punch holes through the sheets of paper but it's much more reliable for safety of your contacts than a shining brand-new high-definition device.

Computing-21- the dark web.

As the old adage goes, an idle mind.....

Surfing the web creates some form of idleness, the more a person surfs the web, they unconsciously idle, their physic and brain becomes clogged, the youngster starts planning ways of breaking into some accounts. Shouldn't anyone lie to you saying he's busy surfing the web, not unless they had pre-planned whatever they had come to look for, not unless they had prepared a list of research projects they are to tackle, those fellows are doing nothing.

There is a difference between someone who goes into a library with prewritten titles in hand and someone who ignores the catalogue and wonders aimlessly across the shelves, asking others to give him advice of what he/she should read.

The surfers are so bored that the only thing they can think of is to break into someone else's servers. Since surfing the web is not physically or mentally engaging, it boggles their mind.

People should remember that the digital world is no different from the real world, it is a really dark planet with equal number of predators and prey, laid with booby traps, sink holes, nets of all shapes and sizes, dangerous sharp objects, and many more numerous dangers. The more experienced predators who can see clearly in the dark stalk their amateurish prey that roam aimlessly into the unknown, they stalk quietly then make a tasty meal out of them. Just as the real world has equal hours of day and night, the digital world will give you both equal measure of good and evil. Presently parallel to one another, which means internet use is important & valuable to you if you really know what you are doing.

Computing-22-Clickbait is everywhere on the Web, users beware

Whether you started browsing the web just the other day or have been on the internet since its grassroots boom in the nineties you would have noticed that the web is full of traps. You come across attractive banners put in place to entice you to follow a link so that you can take a look at something valuable on the other side of the spectrum. They come in a variety of ways depending on the purpose of the bait.

Viruses and malware sites

They often come in the shape of a promotion that contains labels such as, "*Click here to win an iPhone thirteen.*" we all know very well that people don't win valuable stuff by clicking links to unknown sites, moreover you never took part in any lottery scheme, why should someone think that they can win anything when they never participated in any competition in the first place? When the deal sounds too good to be true, then you should think twice. Winning doesn't come up that easy, no one should expect luck to drop on them just like that.

Most of these links are loaded with tones of viruses and other forms of malware designed to steal information from your device, if you have any saved passwords on your gadget then sorry to tell you that they are going to extract all your personal information. Confidential files such as personal photos can be held hostage and asked to send some money if you do not wish to see them online. They will blackmail you in whatever way they can, and rob you of your hard-earned cash after tarnishing your sparkling clean reputation. You find your credit cards and bank accounts hacked with all the money inside swept clean.

Reporting the crime to the police in most cases does you very little good because these guys have specialized in covering their tracks, they never leave behind a single shred of evidence. You don't have to be a genius to figure out that you should never accept gifts from strangers, let's say you are walking on the streets one day and then run into someone who offers you a wrapped gift, he asks you to open it claiming that he would let you walk away with whatever you find inside that box. If your instincts are correct, your first thought would be to walk away, first of all, you don't know the person or what their real intentions are, even if they offer you lots of assurances, that is still a red flag.

There could be anything inside that box. A concealed weapon used in crime, a trafficked human organ or a pipe bomb ready to go off as soon as you unwrap it. You would be foolish enough to accept gifts from strangers on the streets. The same thing goes for online. scammers, hackers and cyber terrorists always use clickbait to lure you onto their platforms where they have set up traps to take advantage of your naivety.

Fakenews or propaganda sites

There are countless websites out there that have been set up just for the purpose of spreading rumors. As the saying goes, rumor is a great traveler, the more unbelievable a story sounds the more likely people are going to click through the article to read it. They device very dubious ways of writing their headlines so they'd attract the maximum clicks possible. They no longer care about what they put out as long as it attracts readership. Headlines that can sometimes be misleading are put out there for all to see. The purpose of these news articles varies depending on the creator, some content can be defamatory stories targeted against a business rival or political opponent. So the folks who are busy conducting smear campaigns often use clickbait as their number one option.

Others are just bloggers who simply want to increase their readership and possibly profits. So, finance can be a motivation in most cases. You click through an interesting news headline only to be disappointed when you reach the site. You find a page with an incomplete story, the publisher had only put a few paragraphs of the story on the page and paginated the page in such a way that you have to constantly click the "*next page button*" like ten times before you can finish reading the story, all in the meanwhile you are being bombarded by banner ads. When you see the website is full of intrusive ads on every corner of the page to the point where you find it hard to distinguish the actual story paragraphs from ads, then will you know that you are in a truly messy

world. Some bloggers have very unprofessional ways of monetizing their website content. Why should you force readers to click through multiple pages before they can finish reading a single story? Why can't you just put all that on a single page? I have come to learn to avoid these sites, whenever I spot a site that is trying to take me in circles then I always run for the back button. The website is not worth your time and effort.

Video Sharing and Social sites

Have you seen videos on *YouTube* with very eye catching and ridiculous titles? With words that are always screaming out to you saying, ***"Hey Please come and click me!"*** The images happen to be also very attention grabbing. But when you actually click through the video you find nothing useful at all, more importantly, you find nothing related to the heading. The entire content of the video has nothing to do with the title, it's not related in any way. ***It's nothing but a Hoax, the perfect work of a con artist.*** Oh! Not again, I have once again fallen for another Clickbait. I have come to learn that YouTube Videos that have very interesting and attractive titles have nothing of value in them, they are nothing but Hoaxes, I am forced to avoid all the other videos produced by the same channel.

When you see ridiculous headlines like...

You will be Shocked to see this Clip...Funniest Video ever, you will laugh until you fart

20 Foot Giant Human Skulls Found in Nevada Desert, The World will Change a lot After This Archeological Discovery

UFOs and Alien Spacecraft have been spotted Hovering Above the Capitol Building and the Pentagon

You will not believe your ears when you hear what this first lady did after moving into the white House

Your life will never be the same after watching this video. Do not say you were never warned, click at your own peril.

A couple finds an old chest in their backyard, they take the items they found in the metallic box to an antique dealer then disappeared mysteriously

Scientists have created a Super Hybrid Being that is a mix of Human, Ape and Plant Genes

The World is Soon coming to an end, please go sell everything you own and donate the money to our Foundation...

All the above statements are among the craziest headlines imaginable, they are a commonplace these days on YouTube and many other Social Media Sites. They engage in such unethical media practices just for the sole purpose of increasing their subscriber volumes and care very little if someone would get hurt in the process. In-fact when a video title has the word "*shocking*" in it, then you should know there is no surprising content inside. The poorest of the videos are the ones that usually have the most outrageous of headlines, things like, "*the most shocking video ever recorded, you will definitely pass out after watching this video.*" viewers have smartened up as a result of these clickbaits. Anything that is urging you to click through either has worthless substandard content or is potentially harmful. So, they have learned to steer away from these traps.

Words of a Hindu Linguists

Sometimes when I am searching for YouTube guides, I often run into videos of some Hindu linguist. The videos have very misleading titles. What I mean is that the title is always written in English language while the actual video content is some mysterious Indian language. I know the voice behind the video is Indian because they partly speak English in the video with an Indian accent. An Indian accent is one of the most recognizable accents in the English language. I have never really understood why these guys keep doing this crazy stuff. YouTube is a channel where your videos get an opportunity to be viewed by billions of people around the world. And those videos where the English language is used in both text and audio have the greatest viewership potential,

it is the most widely spoken language in the world with billions of native and non-native speakers.

If these guys wanted their videos to be watched only by people living in India then they should put geographical restrictions on viewership of that content, or at least use the native language they are using in the audio to write the headlines. Some start their videos very well, speaking fluent English from the beginning but then mess up along the way, they start using a mix of English with vernacular or sometimes go entirely native. The first five minutes of the video can be in English but then deteriorate quickly several minutes into the video. Please spare viewers the pain of trying to watch your videos only to be forced to leave the page once they start the gibberish.

The video headlines could go something like this, "***A simple guide on How to fix your slow computers, old desktops and laptops.***"

The guy behind the video would start his presentation like this... "***Hello guys, I am here to help you fix your stubborn old machines, if you have a laptop or desktop PC that has been bothering you lately because of its slow performance, then hold on a minute as I teach you free simple ways to make your old laptop perform like a brand new one, so here we go, first of all you must get a screwdriver and then remove the battery for a laptop or open up the back casing of the desktop PC...***

secondly..... yada yada yada yada gibberish gibberish ding ding dong pata potea cheth anjaaan BRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR dsijaldaldijd kl?djvvie;opew?[xo'azpqw['z/xpwc['im'waox./'z/[qzlpfkewpv uoiet83094-32x0ocm;'ax,paecm[v'#cpa[#x./pa[#vm,i#'c,.dpa#x./[ape,-0eow-morivom'awx.#e-wow-0evmgjsjg'akp['xa,dpf[#pfxpdf333£';/.;'ll./.';#lk#l/?.'ll';/l/l/'k.l'k/.l'/.l/l/.'l /.'lk#./'k#./k'l.#/#'lk/.lk#/.#kl[. #k/.#kl'.k#l/.'k#l/.#k[./#k[l./#o[./#[k/.[#k/. [k#l/.[k#/#k/.l#k.[k#./l[#k[jk;l;['.????????????????}{FTFTF}BFYU{UIUYFYFB}{TF}?F[/];F}?TFFYTYUY}{}}/}{FYUYUYU}}{?}{FYFYFF}}}{YFYFYF}{?}}UYFY?[]{}?}{FYF}}{][FYFYFY]'/'96765597856458089987867675654678

Yeah, *blah blah blah blah*, non-Indians have already lost their way and therefore leave the video page instantly. When they slowly transitioned from English to their native language, nothing was worth following anymore.

Not all of us here on the internet speak Hindi. We know that you are a tech guru and want to help others fix their electronic devices. But please mind your language, that a lot of folks on the internet here also want to fix their problematic PCs but don't speak Hindi as you may have thought. Clickbait is a social media ill that the entire online community should cooperate on combating

Computing-23- Love on The Screen

There are some Online Dating safety precautions that every lady should have at her fingertips.

Finding Love has never been easier, these days anyone looking for love even the underage can easily pick their electronic device, say for instance a tablet or smartphone and begin swiping the screen in search of possible candidates. one advantage being that there is a wide array of individuals of different qualities, interests, professions and personalities to choose from, depending on ones preference. However this new trend has arrived with brand new dangers never seen before. the very fact that people speak from a very great distance without ever meeting in person means that people can make false claims about themselves, the fact that there are no social connections & surroundings between the two lovers where they can independently verify details of their backgrounds makes the experience very dangerous, especially for women. I say to the ladies that Online dating is a very dangerous thing to do these days. Here are some amazing tips to keep you safe...

Do not believe in anything that is on that guy's profile, From their names, Professions, Hobbies, Personal photos etc. all of that can be cooked up. He can use his dog's name, write his friends Careers' & professions and use them as his own. He can steal His boss' photos and put them on his profile pretending to be a wealthy person living a happy life, he can claim to like things he actually hates in reality. Not until you get to see them in person, you never know what's really behind that Computer, tablet or smartphone, it could be a dog, an alligator or a hyena. Just don't believe anything they have on their profile.

Never date any fellow who asks you to send him money, for a person whom you have just began communicating with to start demanding cash from the day go is definitely a red flag. If you yield to his demands, then keep in mind that this is not love anymore, its become an online trading of some sorts, you will be quickly turned from a potential sweetheart to a “digital wallet.” not unless you want to buy the sweet love poems he writes to you with your hard earned money.

Arrange to meet him at “your place of choice” and have friends and colleagues on stand by, people who can rush to your aid just in case of an emergency, you never know who that fellow is, he could be a scammer, a gangster, a human trafficker, a terrorist, a psychopath, a pedophile, a rapist, a serial killer or whatever Criminal Pretending to be “a Romeo” looking for “a Juliet.”

After your first date goes well and the guy happens to match some of your expectations, put your relationship on hold for a few weeks or months to test the waters, arrange to meet in another second, third, or fourth places. Learn about them as much as you can.

Get to know the people in his social surroundings, like their co-workers, friends, family etc. Give your relationship a few more months.

If he proposes, do not rush into wedding, many ladies jump into this only days after meeting, you need to give yourself some time to think it over. Don't hurry into things you will soon regret. There are a lot of naïve girls who quickly jump into responding, “YES I DO” a long way even before they get to meet him in person. They happen to be “SO NAÏVE! SO SILLY! SO FOOLISH! SO DUMB!”

After he has passed all your tests, you have known enough of him, and now feel confident being around him after many months or years of dating, you can show your tom boy to all your relatives and friends then prepare for the big day. Because you now know that you didn't just "fall in love," but have "grown in love"

Computing-24 Naming Computer Parts

Who named the parts of a computer, the monitor, the keyboard and the mouse?

First of all I would like to say to the millennials that we are talking about the generation that was born in the early eighties and a little bit earlier, When I first learnt about computers, it was a very fascinating experience, it was in the late nineties, computers were very old fashioned back then, they were those big ugly things that looked like white boxes propped on a table, the MS-DOS devices, they were also very slow. Turning on a computer in those days was a very tedious and annoying process, quite complicated, Now at the time it wasn't called, "just switching on a PC", but it was referred to as the "boot process," "please go boot that Computer," our teacher would tell us, after it loads you had to wait for a while for the thing to open, say for example five minutes or more, so before computer classes began, the teacher made sure that he sent someone there to switch on the machines likes say ten minutes before we entered the computer room, so that by the time the lesson starts, the machines are active and working.

I remember there was only one friend who owned a computer in my entire neighborhood, we used to crowd over his home so that we can play games on

weekends, we turned on the machine then went out to take a walk for a few minutes, by the time we return, lets say ten minutes later, it is working. Opening files was also very slow, when you click a file, you had to wait like five minutes or so before it opens.

The first PC I ever learned to use was running on windows 98, then moved to Windows 2000, then XP, I used windows XP for nearly a decade before I found out about windows 7, then 8, now we are in ten, in my short lifespan of less than three decades, the computer technology has changed so much so quickly. There was a neighbor who had a windows computer in my neighborhood, he was in his early twenties, something unfortunate happened in his home, the police came, put him in cuffs, he went to prison for a crime related to trafficking. this fellow who was using computers when I was young then went to serve time.

Two and a half decades later, he was out, he could barely recognize the machines people were using in the homes, in his time there were a few desktop computers, there were only a few because they were very very expensive, now nearly every kid in the block has a laptop PC. Before there were very few computers in colleges and their use required special training, there were separate computer rooms where you can go and do some typing staff. But now computers are everywhere at colleges, in fact it has become mandatory that every college student should have a laptop PC before they enroll at any college. Things change that fast, I mean literary that fast.

Now, back to the topic of discussion, When I first learned about the names of computer parts, I mean desktop PC, I really laughed out loudly, “so those are the names they chose to call them? The monitor, the keyboard and the

Mouse,” well that is not very clever, they should have thought of better names, there a zillions of better names they could have used of course, but they didn’t, when I heard the word monitor, I thought of the monitor lizard, when I heard keyboard, I remembered my board where I hang the keys, and the uttering of the word mouse is obvious and straightforward what it actually is, it looks like the person that named these parts had a serious rodent problem in his house, some Hill Billy from the countryside perhaps, well if that is the case, who cares?

It sounds funny but also creative as well,

Our computer parts were named after a bunch of rodents

Computing-25- Poisoned Cookies

Every Website Now Uses Cookies which makes them very dangerous, why you should reject all cookie requests in order to protect yourself from spying and Potential Malware Online

Its quite difficult nowadays to find a website that is clean and free of all these kinds of annoying staff, whenever you visit a website, you are bombarded with annoying notifications that ask you to accept some cookies. The statement often goes like this, “Please accept these cookies, we use cookies to help improve user experience on our websites.... Blah! Blah! Blah! Blah!” and all sorts of silly staff.

What users are never told is that those so called cookies are not designed to bring users any good, instead they are potentially harmful, all of them are spyware put on your computer to track your every online move. When you accept them its like accepting a request from CIA to surgically place a GPS transponder into your body so that they can know where you are in the world at all times. Most website users don't really understand the dangers of these things, they blindly click accept so that either they can get rid of the annoying popup window, or to be granted access to the pages they want to view. Once that deadly "Accept/Allow" button is clicked, then the malicious bots start installing themselves into the browser software and computer, you never know what kind of information they gather and send to its creators, what kinds of harmful changes they make to your PC, and how you make yourself vulnerable to a cyber attack.

Cookies gather all kinds of information from you including your personal details, location, address, and Personal files on your PC. Since they know all your activity online, all the pages you visit, at what time and how many times, these cookie bots gather information about your login names, passwords, credit card information, Banking details, your social security number and so forth, they can even activate you phone and voice recorder on you PCs and Smartphones so that they can record everything you do in the house and send it to its creators.

Some of those cookie bot websites may put a disclaimer on their website claiming that they don't gather such information about your personal details, unfortunately this is what they actually do in the background, when you are busy browsing the web oblivious to the prying eyes watching you all the time, even if they promise not to collect your personal information, who is going to believe that? How sure can you be that they are not collecting more information than they claim to be gathering? can you believe the words of a

stranger who parks a black van with tinted windows in your neighborhood then starts looking into his binoculars in the direction of your home, when you go forth to confront him, he replies, “sorry my dear, I am not starrng at your house, am just observing the activities of the neighborhood, please don’t get spooked,”

The fact that he has packed a mysterious van in your parking lot is enough to raise alarm, you don’t know the person nor have you ever seen the car nor do you know what is in the van, and why are the windows tinted? even if he gives you assurances a hundred times that all is going to be all right, are you gonna believe him?

Do you understand how cookies work and what exactly they do, if you do, well that is great, but for me, I don’t know anything technical about them, you should therefore understand that I have good reasons to fear them, Cookies are nothing but dangerous spyware and bots that give users false assurances on the front end and do malicious activities in the back end.

A few months ago my PC started behaving erratically, the browsers started performing very slowly, the pages were taking too long to load, say five minutes or more, then all the apps including the browsers started shutting down unexpectedly. I installed an antivirus software and scanned everything on my PC, to my utter shock, the software came with a report that all my browsers are infected with more than a thousands different kinds of malware, spyware, adware, worms and Trojan horses. When I opened my browsers

settings and options, I saw that there were one thousand three hundred and thirty six cookies installed on it, nearly the exact number to that the antivirus software had given me, my PC cleaner software had notified me to clear all my browsers of all cookies because they were slowing down the PCs Performance, but I had ignored the warning, a warning which I paid the price dearly later in the form of data loss through malware activity.

If a page demands that you should first accept their cookies before you are granted access to part or all their websites contents, then run for your life, scramble for the back button and find an alternative source of information, their cookies are not worth the risks, “RUN FOR YOUR LIFE!”

Never Click that tempting ***“Accept Button”***

Computing-26- Has the Selfie Culture Gone too far?

Have you seen people taking selfies in places they shouldn't have before? I see that all the time, I saw a tourist get close to a saltwater crocodile that was basking on the side of the pool, the croc was very still and had its mouth wide open, the guy went very close, I mean dangerously close to it to take a selfie, many of the folks that were nearby tried to prevent him from doing so, but he managed to evade the park wardens and got into the reptile's enclosing, he gave his friend his phone and asked him to take a photo of him with the raptor,

he then moved much closer, crouched a little bit and touched the croc's snout, who surprisingly remained still, "I wonder how these creatures can stay motionless for so long," he said to his friend, "I have been here for more than an hour now, and this monster creature hasn't moved a muscle," he added, "are you sure this is a live animal and not just a piece of log, sculpted to look like a living thing?"

"I will put my head into its open jaws then take a selfie, to show all my friends on social media that I pulled such a terrific stunt," but first," said his friend, "put this in its jaw," don't risk that danger before you properly examine the creature,"

At that instant, the Godzilla snapped its jaws shut, ramming the plastic bottle he was carrying and sparing his hands by just a few inches,

The youngster completely overtaken by shock was left speechless, he leaped off like a deer out of the creature's perimeter fence almost injuring himself, later on after he had recovered from the shock he was heard ranting, "all this time I have been moving around that monster it was alive? It looked like a rock or some sculpture," what would have happened had he grabbed me by the knee and dragged me into the pool?

Such a close shave. He came this close to having his arm sabered by a giant saltwater crocodile.

The invention of the portable phone camera has spelled doom upon humanity, all over the world, people especially the youngsters are going to such dangerous heights just for the sake of taking a selfie to boast about it to their friends and colleagues, they will put their lives on the line just to get that rare photo, youngsters climb steep rock faces, or onto the head of a giant monument, once at the top, they lift one leg, to stand on the other, you then hear them screaming to the camera they were carrying on one hand as they

spoke to their friends on the other part of the world, “Hey look, I am standing on top of the steepest rock face of the table mountains suspended with just one foot, watch me make this cool stunt.”

People put heads out of windows of flying planes so that they can capture their selfies with the heads in the clouds and the blue skies, you see some crazy people rushing towards the summit of an active volcano, when it started erupting, the local residents started evacuating, they were moving away from the fiery mountain as fast as they could, when people are running away from the volcano, these crazy folks are going the opposite direction, they head towards it, they then stand there next to the molten lava, they watch it boil like water in a cooking pot, they stand there enjoying the scene while simultaneously taking pictures and videos of themselves, oblivious to the fact that their lives are in danger, and even if they know that, they don't care, they don't give a da**

They do extremely dangerous stuff just for the sensation, just for the sake of being the next social media star, “you know what, once my photos or video goes viral, I am gonna be the next most famous teen in the world, its gonna be so cool! Do you believe that?”

Sometimes you see some silly tourists trying to get out of their safari cars so that they can take selfies with the wild animals they have just come across, there in the woods, the park guide who was showing these adventurers around, sees some of them trying to get off the SUV, he gives them a stern warning, “Please stay in your cars, don't make sudden moves, remember however cute they may look, they are still wild animals, that bear may look lethargic, but if you get too close to it, then will you see its true colors, if he sees you as threat or food, then will become as agile as a monkey and tear you into pieces, you think its slow, but once spooked, it will run as fast as deer, and catch you in just a few leaps.”

Many of these crazy folks act this way, because at the back of their minds, they think that the process is only gonna take a few seconds and the risk is

therefore worth taking, “I just need two seconds with my dangerous friend, after that I will be the most famous fellow in my city,”

What they never really come to grasp is that those few seconds of super excitement may be the last few seconds of their lives, there is no joke about it, you don't throw away your life in exchange for silly photo or video,

We all know the extremes the selfie culture has gone to, for instance when there is an accident on a busy motorway, an area that is always full of traffic, cars as well as humans alike, do you know what happens these days when a major accident occurs on in these places in broad daylight? Yes you guessed it right, first you hear screams of shocked motorists and pedestrians, then the next thing on Peoples minds is their, “PHONES,” where is my phone, where is it? Oh! I can't miss that clip, you will hear this from most witnesses around the scene Within seconds, motorist traffic comes to a stand still, and the accident scene is surrounded by hundreds if not thousands of people,

Most of them are too busy taking pictures and videos with their phones, they film the screeched road surface, the mashed up vehicles and the bodies of the accident victims who were squashed by vehicle tires on the road, ignoring the fact that there are surviving victims in the car who need emergency medical attention. Luckily there are few good Samaritans in the crowd who decide to put their phones into better use by calling for help, and less than an hour later, the paramedics arrive on the scene, and carrying off the injured to the hospitals.

But for some of them, the arrival of the Paramedics is a scene a little too late, they had lost too much blood, before their arrival and there was nothing much they could do for them. The spectators continue to take photos and record videos vigorously, with no shame nor guilt, had only a small portion of them put aside their phones and did some CPR to the accident victims while waiting for the paramedics, many of them would have survived, especially those that were in the bus. But because precious few seconds and minutes were wasted by first people to be on the scene, many lives were lost.

Contemporary culture states that if something really bad is happening to you and you need urgent help, chances are that people watching will scramble for their phones to film and not to call for urgent help, if your house is on fire and your neighbor witnesses it, chances are that he/she will spend the first precious seconds filming your misery before calling for help, by the time the fire brigade arrives, the flames would have swallowed your entire house, when the sparks started, you were screaming for help, your neighbors did nothing, instead of trying to save your house, they wanted to enjoy the show a little bit while your entire life's worth of work is reduced to ashes. This is the brutal reality of the twenty first century.

Computing-27- The Great American Chips Nightmare

For the last year and a half, people have been talking about a global chips shortage that is affecting manufacturing and production across many industries, what has caught everyone by surprise is that The United States of America, the most technologically advanced country in the world doesn't have a single microchips factory. The world today is run by computers, and every electronic device in our homes offices or fields runs with the help of microchip technologies, I am surprised that even tractors today use computers and farmers have to learn how to use that software in order to grow their crops.

But how did the world comes to this? With a combined reasons ranging from the current pandemic, economic recessions, the trade wars and several others, nearly the manufacturing of almost every electronic gadget is coming to a standstill. What people are asking is how did the Americans who are known to be geniuses in technology come to lack microchips factories on their home soils. Chips are very complex stuff to make and require a lot of time and resources to advance, but the US has all that. So what went wrong?

Thanks to the great outsourcing scheme that sent factory jobs overseas from the US mainland. Because of cheaper labor and better business environment

there for industries a lot of manufacturers moved all their production to those countries. Things like unfriendly legislation and exorbitantly high minimum wages were a real thorn in their operating businesses.

The Silicon Valley is known the world over to be the home of the dotcom revolution, everything that has to do with computers or the internet originated from the Silicon Valley. They are the guys that invented the microchips, and ushered in the digital age we are living in today, but along the way something caused them to be mistrustful of production on their own home soils and decided to move all their manufacturing processes overseas. They had never imagined that a few years down the line there shall come a pandemic that will affect cross border trade and prevent them from getting their goods in a timely manner.

Every country is now realizing how important the microchips industry is and governments are now investing directly in the building of chips factories on their own home soils. Even though they started on good footing, it takes time before such a technological industry is full thriving, probably a couple of years, so Americans now have to wait for a few years before they can see chips rolling out from their factories on their home soils. What about the other jobs that went away and never came back, will they be returning also? Well I don't think so, if that is possible then that will take a very long time. It takes global disasters such as epidemics to convince the people of how weak major industries are, and sometimes it takes a small natural disaster to cripple an entire industry.

This chips thing in the news is sparking a lot of imagination in my head, it sounds like an interesting story we should follow up keenly because it affects us all, or should I try building a small chips factory in my backyard just to test the ride of it. Just like I did with my crypto mining business, this should be another cool breeze. The best industries for entrepreneurs are those that don't require a lot of startup capital.

Computing-28- Beware of Budget Phones

Most of us would like to go to the nearest electronic shops and grab the **best cheapest** phone we can find. Well, you need to be careful with your purchases, there is a reason why they are very cheap despite the fact that they offer tones of incredible features that are not supposed to be in the phone. There is a reason for the existence of a saying which goes like... "*cheap is expensive*" or "*if the deal is too good then think twice*". These are tried and tested phrases that you should never ever ignore.

First of all, I would like to clear things up here, what we are talking about are smartphones and not the feature phones that have solid dial pads and tiny screens. *Feature phones* used to be the latest advanced tech in the early 2000s, phones like Nokia C100 and Motorola flip phones were highly sought-after tech gadgets of their time. They were incredibly reliable and robust, feature phones went for an incredibly long time without the need for recharging, they are incredibly reliable especially in remote areas where they are prone to dangers such as breakage or water hazard.

Their reliability is probably the reason feature phones are still common in our electronic stores. Millions of them are always sold out every year alongside their smartphone counterparts. If you need a phone to be used for just text messaging and calling, then go for a feature phone, you are likely to use it for such a long time that you would want to throw it away when it refuses to breakdown.

As we all know it, the launching of the iPhone in 2007 by Steve Jobs was a game changer, he and his apple company managed to miniaturize the personal computers and place it into the palm of our hands, Google's android phones followed shortly after. Even though the operating system in the phones belonged to google, the phones were made with different brands, by 2010 and onwards Android OS was powering hundreds of millions of devices across the globe. And there went the smartphone revolution. It's nearly two decades now since Steve Jobs' famous launch and the world has changed so much. Personal computers are in everyone's hands now including small children.

Even though they are an industry leader, for having been the ones who invented the industry, iPhones are exorbitantly priced. Even within the United States itself, the price tags of about a thousand dollars and above for a brand-new iPhone is way too high and out of reach for millions of Americans. The issue is magnified even further in other parts of the developing world where

productivity and wages are still low. Three quarters of the world's population are willing to spend only between One hundred and two hundred US dollars equivalent on a phone that they like very much. The average monthly salary of billions of workers across the globe is about \$350 USD and below, so spending more than \$250 USD on a phone is the equivalent of spending your entire month's wages on a single phone, with almost nothing left for your bills and other daily expenses. Apple's exorbitant pricing of its magnificent iPhones opened the doors for other phone manufacturers into the industry, right now iPhone holds a very miniature share of the smartphone market. When you travel across electronic stores around the world, you always come across smartphones priced at \$100 USD or below.

The problem we have nowadays is that deceptive practices have made their way into the manufacturing and marketing of these phones. In many cases you will find that these phones have been stripped down to their bare bone and do not really have the features they display on the brochures. They could just be a skeleton of the things they claim to be. For instance, how can \$100 USD Phone contain a one-hundred-megapixel camera? That is a resolution that is much higher than the bulky DSLR cameras often used by the national geographic channel to film wildlife. Those cameras are really pricy, I wanted to buy one sometime back and I was really shocked to discover that some of their costs were equal to the price of a small brand-new car. Each of those cameras I imagined that they had a resolution of less than fifty megapixels.

But here we have a hundred-dollar phone claiming to contain over a hundred megapixels. I would like to believe that we are a few years away from that technology right now. You also find that the phone has 8GB of RAM as well as 500GB of internal memory. My questions always remain as, "where would you get such valuable microchips at such a low price?" Even computers with a fraction of the hardware specs of such a phone do not cost that cheap. It's such an absurdity. This kind of purchase even though it looks like a smart decision at the beginning is prone to run into serious problems months or years down the line. Below is a list of the issue you may run into when going for a budget phone.

1.Slow Phones or Hanging too frequently

You may face frequent issues of phones hanging when you are using the phone. There could also be cases of the phone restarting itself without you touching any button. This can be so frustrating especially when you are in the

middle of a serious conversation with someone on the other side and the phone suddenly shuts itself off. This type of distraction caused by the phone's erratic behavior ends up ruining the conversation because you have to start all over again after an interruption by a phone's shutdown. This is such a very serious matter as it can ruin someone's career prospects especially if you are using it for official purposes. Imagine you are in the middle of an important phone call with potential employer or customer when your phone goes off. Once you switch it back on, you find out that the phone keeps hanging and the apps taking many minutes to load. Your WhatsApp chat gets derailed and you may end up losing a potential client if you are using the app for business. You had been told that the phone had a whopping 8GB RAM which makes it way faster than most office computers in many organizations across the globe. This is more than enough memory to run multiple apps at the same time without having any lag issues. The very fact that it has high specs written on the brochure while at the same time becoming so problematic is a reason to believe that something more sinister is happening behind the scenes. If you take it to an expert to properly examine it you may hear a different story that you may not like.

As I have heard it from other tech experts, some shady manufacturers sometimes placed into the device poor quality hardware specs such as early generation microchips, they then boost the memory with the help of an advanced software to make up for the memory size. The inflated memory chip then fools the OS into thinking that a 2GB RAM is now 8GB. In reality the installed chip could have a maximum memory of 1GB or even less. So, you go about running multiple apps on your device thinking it's all safe without knowing that something may go wrong in the background. A while back, Apple was accused of deliberately slowing down their iPhone devices so that their users are forced to buy brand new ones. Many users said that their phones became slower and slower with every new software update therefore forcing them to get themselves latest brand-new iPhones. The magnificent Apple company on the other hand denied such claims and the accusers on the other hand never produced a single shred of evidence to support their claim. But that's a story for another day.

2. Constant breakdowns

If you buy a cheap smartphone, you need to put aside some money to be used for constant repairs and upgrades. As we had said earlier that *cheap is expensive*, you will pay dearly later on when the phone starts being a nuisance,

you will end up repairing the mouthpiece, the battery, the screen, the OS and, multiple other features inside that will drive you crazy. I don't remember how many times I had to repair a cheap smartphone that I bought from the streets. It constantly broke down and I churned out bundles of notes hoping that it would be excellent the next time I repaired it. After a year of using it, I sat down, removed by calculator from the drawer and did some math. I summed up all the money I spent on repairing the device and it added to a price of two brand new phones of the same brand I have been repairing. This was a shocking revelation as I had never imagined spending significant chunk of my monthly wages on a phone that won't stop breaking down. I learnt the hard way, and will never repeat that mistake again. I strongly advice every person that buys a cheap smartphone that if something inside that phone gets damaged rendering it unusable, they should not try to repair for it will cost them dearly, every time you repair the phone it becomes worse and worse. Making it more unreliable, they should instead throw it away and get another cheap brand new one if they want to save themselves pain and heartbreak.

3. Dangers to the user

Cheap smartphones are full of hidden dangers to the users. The fact that they are extremely cheap for their class means safety and security were compromised to lower the price. There are countless cases of cheap smartphones blowing up in the hands of the user. Either while charging or having a telephone conversation. It's such a sad scenario that innocent people were seriously injured by explosive materials from these devices. I truly feel sorry for them and their families. Cracked phone screens have been known to cause serious cuts to its users that could not afford to throw them away.

You may find your phone failing constantly for unexplained reasons, this happens time and again, microchips from used phones sometimes ended up being used in brand new phones, the reason your brand-new smartphone is so cheap is that it contains electronic hardware from used phones. When phones die, their owners throw them away where they end up in an electronic waste junkyard. Some recycling companies have specialized in salvaging components of phones from completely dead phones to be reused, the problem here being that even though the phone has been used for such a long time and most of its components completely worn out, microchips are plucked off, cleaned and reinstalled into brand new devices even though they still possess the defects that caused the phone to be thrown away in the first place. All these amazing stuffs you are receiving are just recycled materials. There is little to no

production whereby an entirely brand-new motherboard had to be manufactured from scratch and with the use of brand-new components. So, when you buy a budget phone that starts to flicker, hang or repeatedly shuts down just a few weeks after buying it, then you should know that it may contain some elements of used phones. The world of electronics manufacturing is so diverse and so shady that it is becoming more difficult to tell who is supplying what, they just end up on our consumer shelves and consumers rush for them like hot cakes. **People just want the best cheapest** and that is where the problem lies. They all want the cheapest and throw away quality assurance out of the window. *"It doesn't have to be the best quality brand in the market, it just needs to work,"* they say.

4. Personal Information Security issues

The fact that budget phones are made of poor components and often breakdown isn't enough. I assume when you were buying your phone you were planning to use it to login into your favorite social media sites. since the manufacturing process was also rushed, little consideration was put into the cyber security aspects of the software installed. You always find your social media accounts being hacked into all the time.

I don't remember how many times I had to change the password of my social media accounts after being hacked into several times in a month. That hacking plague went away only after I threw away the phone and bought a brand-new quality one. It was a bit pricy but worth the sacrifice. If you have a budget phone then you should only use it for calling and texts, every other app you are logging into is potentially dangerous.

When *Steve Jobs* invented the iPhone in the early 2000s he knew very well that smart phones are going to be a part and parcel of our daily lives, it's the reason why iPhones are the safest and most secure smartphones in the world today, they got it right from day one.

5. Intrusive apps

Users all over the world have been giving complaints about apps on their phones that quietly installed themselves in the background only to be surprised the following morning when they woke up to find their phones full of apps and games that they didn't install themselves. When they try to uninstall them, they fail miserably, the uninstall button is missing on those apps. So,

they just have to put up with them anyway. The most disturbing thing is that there is no way of determining what exactly the app is doing on your phone, how much information it takes and how dangerous it can be to your personal information.

Ok I am talking about Android devices here, for those of us that love our android devices we need to be a little bit cautious. When you search on the **Google Playstore** for those same intrusive apps you find no presence of them there, so where did these apps come from and how did they manage to install themselves on your device without your consent? A lot of experts warn that when you see any kind of strange behavior in your smartphone, then it could be a malware that has taken over your phone, it installs itself so secretly, causes as little damage to your phone as possible and then cleverly masks itself to look like a harmless health or fitness app or a cool game.

You have apps labeled on your phone as games, but don't actually work, so what are they doing there? You click on them to load them up so as to see what is inside but nothing happens, you can't use them and can't remove them either, they just sit there seemingly doing nothing but, in the background, they are working day and night harvesting your data and transporting it to wherever place the creator of the malware is. Other tech experts argue that this could be a deliberate act by the manufacturer to leave a backdoor into the Operating System so that they can secretly install spy apps that will be closely watching everything you do with that phone. Yes, everything including banking.

I have come to learn the hard way that it is not a smart idea to bank online using a phone especially a cheap one. Installing banking apps on budget phones is asking to be robbed by hackers of the dark web, the features are so poor and security of these phones so weak that you are better off using an outdated version of windows desktop than a brand-new smartphone. Since successful hacking into two of my banking apps I have never used budget phones to login into my bank accounts, I always go for a laptop computer or desktop PC. Windows and MAC computers have much safer security features than phones, so if you don't have to do it, please don't bank online using cheap budget phones. You shall come to bear me witness that I had warned you but failed to listen, and had to learn the hard way through pain and heartbreak. When your bank accounts get swept clean by a hacker then will you learn to be truly cautious.

Nothing is really cheap in this world. If you find a phone that is too cheap for its *features* and *tech specs* then you need to think twice. When the deal is too good you should always take a step back and hold your breath for a moment. Give yourself time to internalize what exactly is happening and you shall never be sorry for anything, you shall be glad that you always take precautions in your techno undertakings. You may think you got a good deal at the beginning but eventually you are going to pay dearly in the long run. You shall pay a heavy price indeed, I tell you, my friend. *Nothing is cheap in this world.* It may be cheap for a reason that you may not like.

Let's say for instance you come across a Hummer being sold on the streets for two thousand dollars. I mean a brand new one. You know very well that Hummers are for the elites of the society, used ones cost hundreds of thousands of dollars let alone a brand new one. But the sight of coming across a sparkling clean brand-new automobile being sold across the streets raises a lot of eyebrows. You may wonder if it is really a car or a carton box that looks like a car. If you manage to get inside and test the vehicle yourself, with the engines, mirrors, breaks and everything else working fine, you may wonder if the person selling the vehicle is the actual owner who has the legal right to sell it. There are so many questions running in your mind, this is how it should be when you are going to get yourself a budget phone, they are questions you cannot afford to ignore.

Let's say for instance you come across a brand-new residential tower in the middle of Manhattan with a two-bedroom apartment renting out for two hundred dollars a month. Even though the building exterior and interiors may look sparkling clean, people will instantly know that something is not right about the building, it's either been poorly built, possess a health hazard to the occupants or something else shady is going on. Coming across a two hundred dollar a month residential rental property in the middle of Manhattan downtown is a scenario so strange, it's like finding a lake in the middle of the desert. You may think it's a mirage. Or your mind playing tricks on you, people lose their sense and hallucinate in the heat of deserts. Even if you get closer to find the actual lake is full of water, you will still doubt if the pool's water is actual clean enough to be used for drinking. So many thoughts, doubts and fears cross your mind before you make that fateful decision of dipping your head into the water and drinking from the fountain.

A rental property that is too cheap for its neighborhood always raises eyebrows. It could be dangerous to live in there. You may save a lot in terms of

rent but may pay dearly in medical bills and living in it may adversely affect your health.

Cheap is expensive as the old adage goes

If you notice that there are apps that stubbornly installing themselves on your device yet you can't uninstall or delete them, you should stop using the phone for sensitive purposes such as logging into your online platforms, they could be recording everything you are keying into the touchpad, you may be unknowingly giving away your personal information to unknown people.

Know Your Brands.

It is a good idea that people should stick to excellent quality brands, if they care about their privacy and security. It's better to get phones from a brand you know and trust than picking items from the streets with such little consideration.

Here is a list of my favourite phone brands out there in the market. am pretty sure you have heard about a lot of them already. Let me give you my own honest gauge of what I think are among the best out in the market...

6. My Best Phone Brands

1. iPhone

It reminds us once again that Steve Jobs' name will remain as one of the best out there in the Tech world for many decades to come. he had it all figured out right from the start. The Phone was extremely powerful compared to anything else in its market range, the sleek design made it extremely beautiful. the operating system was user friendly and full of mind-blowing new features. it was water proof and crushproof thus guaranteeing durability. and the security features are like no other brand in the world. apple went to lengths to make sure that people who try to steal or snatch your phone from your hands never get a chance to use it. iPhone's security features have been rock solid right from the beginning, and this is what makes it the number one quality brand in the world. no other phone brand will ever overthrow or even come close to the iPhone. It was, it still is and will always be my number one pick phone

when I go shopping for phones. If your pockets permit you, then please go for an iPhone. It will save you a lot of pain and heartache brought about by budget phones.

2. Samsung

Samsung has come a long way in the manufacturing sector, for those that have gone through the company's history, we all know that they specialised in other electronics fields long before they tried their luck in the smartphone market. They carefully aimed their darts and miraculously hit the bull's eye, in the emergence of android as an alternative phone operating system to iPhones' iOS, Samsung quickly became the number one choice for those that wanted to try a smartphone but were not within the budget to get themselves an iPhone, in the last decade and a half, Samsung produced extremely powerful and reliable phones that were rivalled only by iPhones. A lot of people already had a couple of Samsung branded electronic gadgets in their homes already, this really helped Samsung in marketing their phones because millions of people around the world were already aware of how the company produced excellent quality products, based on the durable Samsung products they were already using in their homes.

My first android phone was a Samsung, it was a very pretty and powerful device which served me for many years, I still use it now, even after nearly a decade of extensive use. It's still working perfectly, though it has slowed down little bit, I cannot call it dead or anything of that sort. Though a small dent appeared on the company a couple of years ago when the phone batteries started to expand and bulge and after long periods of disuse. I had a Samsung Galaxy S brand that had sat in my drawer for a period of many months, when I went to check on it, I found the battery was very much swollen which cracked open the back casing. This issue was brought to the attention of the company, and I believe they have sorted out the issue right now, there were other issues that emerged at the company back then like batteries blowing up in the hands of the users, and some users unfortunately losing their lives to this unfortunate incident. Despite all these drawbacks Samsung is still one of the best phone brands in the whole world. You better give it a try.

3. ASUS

This is a brand that came out of the blue and took the market by storm. This is a company that had some experience in the manufacture of PC hardware for a long time, I was using an ASUS laptop for years before I tried out their

smartphone gadgets. These guys produce excellent products worth your budget. Even though a lot of people want an all-in-one phones where there is a balance between sleek design, durability and high performance, ASUS prioritizes high performance over all the other features of the phone, I have had ASUS gadgets that are way more powerful than a lot of personal computers of today. This is a company worth a try, they have a favorable product warranty and their customer support is quite good.

4. NOKIA

Oh! Wait a minute! Please hold on! I know what you are about to say, you want to say that this company died a long time ago and should not be on the list. Well, you see, that's not how I see things in my tech surroundings, Nokia may have been already long gone and buried in the graveyard for a long time in the eyes of many people, but that is not me, that is not how I see things, Nokia as a company is still valuable to me. A lot of people blame the company for not capturing the smartphone boom effectively enough, even though they had been the best phone manufacturer in the world for decades, their lack of innovation and slow responses to changes in the tech-world caused them to lose a lot of market share, a blunder that sent the company to a never-ending downward spiral in which they are struggling to emerge from now. But right now, they are making moves in the right direction. Nokia is producing quality phones that are running on android OS. A while back they had tried windows as an operating system but their brilliant plan unfortunately flopped when the windows OS failed to capture the anticipated market share, the *failure of windows phone* is a whole story for another day, let's just say that NOKIA tried their luck with Microsoft and failed miserably, right now I think the company is doing great. Their phones have excellent security features with standard performance. Their phones have no issue like catastrophic failures or intrusive apps. I have a handful of Nokia phones which are doing just fine right now.

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- *Heavy metaphor*
- *Extravagant exaggeration.*

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