New Media Intro

Information used to only spread by word of mouth and written letters, but in the 15th century the printing press was created and was seen as the best way to get information and they kept moving forward. In the 19th century electricity was widely adopted, and with this newfound power Samuel Morse found a way to send messages through a wire which revolutionized communication over long distances. In the late 20th century, the internet was made public, and now in the 21st century people ~~now~~ rely on the internet more than ever, frankly it makes things like television, radio, books, and newspapers redundant. The on-demand features for online services were so appealing to their customers that they soon came an integrated part of our society. The concept of on-demand soon spread to other services like music and video, even books were becoming digital. The average number of devices residents have access to in households in 2020 was 9 – 10 and the amount of time people spend on them is quite large, “the average American spent more than 12 hours a day with various media” (Donovan 2021). It is very easy to over consume media. Overstimulating your brain can cause you to lose sleep, which can negatively affect the performance of a person in their day-to-day life, “Getting a handle on our media addiction is the goal” (Donovan 2021). That is why one must limit their usage of medias. There are ways to limit the usage of media in an unhealthy way, one of these ways is to turn off notifications for all social media to stay focused on the present task, and if a person is going to be consuming media it is beneficial for them to do it in a reliable way. When looking at a news article one should look for the author of the article and see what other articles, they have written that will show the point of view they have on the stories they wright about. Click traps are a serious problem, they are mostly used by people that will setup bait that is untrue to what is being promoted in the title or ad, if its too good to be true then it probably is.