**Growing Up Online Video Questions**

**Internet in the Home**

1.     At home, how often are you online?

***At home I am online for about an hour or 2 a day***

a)      At school how often are you online?

***It depends on the class that I’m in and what we are doing.***

What percentage of the time do you think you spend:

***b)***    Doing homework?  
***10%***

***c)***     Chatting with friends?  
***25%***

d)     Updating your profile?  
***5%***

***e)***     Playing games?  
***10%***

***f)***      Surfing/looking up stuff you're interested in?  
***20%***

***g)***    Downloading music?  
***25%***

***h)***    Uploading/downloading videos?  
***0%***

2. A survey by the Pew Internet & American Life Project found that in 2004, 67% of parents said the Internet has been a good thing for their children. However, this number decreased to 59% in 2006. Why do you think the number of parents who reported the Internet being a good thing for their children has decreased?  
***I think the number of parents who reported the internet being a good thing for their children has decreased because technology is becoming more powerful and kids are able to do more dangerous things.***  
  
3. In the introduction to the program, the narrator says: "This is Morris County, N.J., but it could be anywhere in America. Here, like in the rest of the country, some 90% of teenagers are online, a number that's still growing." From what you saw in the film, is Morris Country indicative of a typical American community? Why or why not? Is it like our community?  
***Yes I think Morris Country is a typical American community because they are doing typical American things. No it is not like are community because we are Canadian and they are American.***

**Social Networking - Keeping in Touch**

1. One student claims he "never reads books" but relies on summaries and notes he finds on Web sites. He confesses that he feels guilty about this, stating, "I feel like I kind of cheated it." Should he feel guilty? Why or why not?  
***Yes he should feel guilty because he didn’t really do any work; he only copied other peoples work.***

2. Social networking sites can be used as a way to "talk junk," insult others or hash out conflicts. Is fighting online a relatively safe way to express negative emotions in responding to others (without having to deal with them face-to-face)? Or does online fighting do more harm than good?  
***I think that online fighting does more harm than good.***  
  
3. This segment talked about a video of girls fighting being posted to YouTube. Pretend a fight from our school was posted. How would the following people perceive the video:

a)     People fighting in the video  
***I think that they would think they are cool.***

b)     Other students in school  
***I think that they would think that they are stupid and immature.***

c)     Teachers and administrators at school  
***I think that they would think that it is bad for the school’s reputation.***

d)     Parents of the people fighting  
***I think that they would not be happy with their kids and make the people who posted the video take it offline.***

e)     Law enforcement  
***I think that they would tell the people involved in the video that if it were to happen again that something would be done about it.***

f)      Teens from outside of school who view the video  
***I think that they would think of the video the same way as other kids in the school.***

**Identity Play**

1. When you are online can you be more real and authentic (who you really are) or do you enjoy feeling like you're someone else (like Autumn)?  
***When I am online I can be more real and authentic, who I really am not like Autumn.***  
  
2. When you post information online, you generally have an intended audience you are communicating with. Who are other potential audiences that might be viewing your information that you didn't think of?  
***Other potential audience that might be viewing my information that I didn’t think off are people that I don’t know and people who are stalkers.***   
  
3. Do you think it is easier to stereotype people online than in real life? Why or why not?  
***Yes I think it is easier to  stereotype people online than real life because they don’t really know the persons real self and they may have things online than they actually may be in real life.***

**Online Relationships - Healthy or Unhealthy**

1. Teens turn to the Internet to find out information about all sorts of things. In Sara's case, she found tips that supported and praised anorexic behavior by browsing and chatting on "ana" sites. After experiencing online and offline bullying, Ryan chatted with a friend about killing himself and learned about various ways to commit suicide. Why might someone be attracted to dangerous or unhealthy communication and Web sites with dangerous information? Why might someone want to create such sites?  
***I think that someone might be attracted to dangerous or unhealthy communication and web sites with dangerous information because they don’t fell comfortable with their lives and want to change or end their lives.***   
  
2. Teasing, lying, gossiping, threatening, spreading rumors or harassing online (and offline) can severly affect people's self-concept and self-esteem and have an impact on their emotional state. In the program, we see a girl who describes flirting with boys and then revealing she was just kidding. She explains: "You wouldn't do that to someone's face, but online is completely different... No one can do anything. You're at your house, they're at their house." What are some of the consequence of this behavior of life and online and in the real world?  
***I think that some consequences of this behavior of life online are that they may post things on web sites or facebook or other social networking sites that they are dating or that they like each other. A real life consequences is that the person who was being flirted with could kill themselves because of the “joke” or they could kill the other person.***

**Post-Viewing**

1. At the end of the program, Greg decides its's time for him to "disconnect" by going to the Coast Guard Academy, where he will spend seven weeks without cell phones or the Internet. Have you ever though about "disconnecting" from it all? Do you think it would be easy or difficult? What wold you enjoy or dislike about disconnecting?  
***No I have never thought of disconnecting from it all. I think that it would be difficult at times and at other times it could be easy. I think that I would enjoy not having to keep up with everything that is going on in everyones life.***

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