

# READING BOOKS IN THE DIGITAL AGE

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## **Abstract:**

**Due to the advent of information and communication technology, the habits of reading printed books are diminishing day by day. The innovation and the excessive use of electronic gadgets cause in the decrease of reading rate. The most significant change in the innovation of technology and the presence of digital world to us. The authors try to investigate the causes this change and the possibilities of electronic books to upkeep the reading habit in the society.**

## **Index Terms: Reading Habits-Digital Age-E-Books**

### **Introduction:**

The habit of reading books has been diminishing in the present world due to the advent of information and communication technology. The most significant change is the innovation of technology and the presence of digital world to us. We read only fewer books compared to our earlier days.

We know that in general, books are the combination of information and imagination in the form of words in a combined paper. But that is not all and today we have various forms of books with the most astonishing E books. E books are not made of paper pages, but they are also books.

So basically, we need to change our notion and feel the change and avoid distraction. It cannot be neglected that with the development of technology and the presence of digitalization, we have become distracted with too many things at once. These significant points will give you the glimpse that you needed so far to ensure that books are still at the edge of wisdom and knowledge.

### **Books Are Still the Medium of Wisdom and Knowledge**

Undoubtedly books are key to infinite wisdom as they are written by men and women of deep knowledge gained from a long experience. Books give us knowledge, wisdom, vocabulary enrichment, ideas collection, familiarization with different types of writing formats, speaking fluency, imagination, intuition, reasoning skills, etc.

### **Gives the value of information:**

Books provide us with information. Whether fiction or non-fiction, they teach us about people, places, and cultures. They are a source of information for both personal and professional development. From the day we start school, we read books as a means of gaining knowledge. The value of information can never be obtained well than in books. Whether it's the digital form of modern books or the old form of paper books, the main motto of people is to get insight and knowledge.

In the feebleness of the digital world, only E books provide vital information so that you can be smart and attentive towards any particular subject matter. It also makes you advanced enough to understand the particular information in particular subjects.

### **Formulate Your Thoughts and Imagination**

Reading books help your mind open up to new ideas and give you a new perspective to view the world. When you read a book, you put yourself in others' shoe which helps you view the world from a new angle. As an example, reading human psychology books can help you understand human nature and what people do what they do. Books are the source to make you thoughtful and let you formulate your thoughts in an appropriate way in real life.

### **Defines The Characters Of Great Leaders**

Reading is one of the most efficient ways to acquire information, and leaders need a lot of general information to keep perspective and seize opportunities. But reading does more than give us a toolbox of ideas. It actually upgrades our analytical tools, especially our judgment and problem-solving abilities.

### **Helps The Creative Writing Process**

In this digital world, we can get more opportunities in every sector with competition at the same plate. So, the area of writing is also getting compromised with competition, and thus, the efficiency is getting worse. The efficiency of a writer depends on their creativity and thoughtfulness, and insights as well.

### **The Best Innovative Thinkers Are Readers**

We all admire the innovative thinkers or the pioneers of great things in our life. We appreciate thinkers but we need to know the actual source of their thinking process. Without the proper knowledge, an actual understanding of our world cannot be possible.

These thinkers know what they want and what our world needs in particular. They have got the insights from the books and they have also managed to apply those in the real world. Books might lead you to the imaginative world but those are the real chain of creativity, and thus the thinkers are readers.

### **The Problem With Aliteracy**

The problem is not the lack of books because books are inevitable and can change into any form to satisfy your needs. However, the real problem is aliteracy in the modern world. There is no limit to knowledge and books but the lack of the urge of readers. Due to distractions, we tend to show very little interest in reading books, and this lack of urgency is very dangerous. However,

books are still alive and will be there for a thousand more years, maybe in a different form. All we need to do is to continue reading and gaining knowledge.

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