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**Critique writing - How Do We Respond When Others Share Bad News Online?**

**Introduction**

"How Do We Respond When Others Share Bad News Online?" Is an article written by Gwendolyn Seidman. The article was published on March 20, 2019. The main objective of the author in this paper was to discuss the impact of sharing information on "the social networks.

**Summary**

The study is focused on the sharing of positive and negative information on the social media platform that is Facebook. In this article, the author explained that people dislike sharing of personal information of oneself or others on social media if the information is negative. Seidman also highlightSeidmans that people prefer that sharing of negative information like an announcement of a breakup, suicide committed by a friend or relative suffering from cancer should be done face to face both by close friends and by an acquaintance. Likewise, the study reveals that 36 percent of the users of social media disliked the fact that others are sharing their personal information online because the audience is not known and cannot be controlled (Hajli & Lin, 2016). In an experiment, participants were asked to read some social media posts and imagen that it was from their close friends. From this study, it was evident that people preferred responding to the situation offline. Hence this shows how people react to different posts online.

**Evaluation**

The profound analysis of the article elucidates the notion that the study is valid and authentic since it was done by Gwendolyn Seidman who is a renowned professor of psychology and is the head of Psychology department at Albright College. In the study, the data collection method used by Seidman was an observation of the participant’s reactions after providing stimulation. Having psychology as her area of expertise, it will not be wrong to say that the author has used appropriate methods to gather date (Levitt et al., 2018). Facebooks posts where used as stimulation and the reaction of the participants was observed. After this, the data analysis of these observation provided accurate results. One negative aspect of this article is that the author has not mentioned the statistical data of the study which illustrates the response on Facebook posts. However, the author used other facts and figures like the percentage of people who dislike their information revealed by others on social media. These pieces of evidence were used accurately by the author in the article for supporting her thesis statement.

Based on the results of the study the author efficiently built an argument that people are reluctant to respond to the information shared online about others. It is a logical argument since sharing of personal information by others is a breach of privacy, and when people don't like sharing their information online by other, similarly they don't want others to share personal information on social media about their friends or family. Another logical argument presented by the author is that people respond more negatively towards the posts by an acquaintance who is not close to them because they know much about them. Thus it is apparent that all the arguments by the author are logical. Likewise, another strong point of this article is that the issue raised by the author is valid in the contemporary world because the use of social media is escalating at a great pace.

**Conclusion.**

To cap it all, the article by Gwendolyn Seidman is an influential study because all the arguments are based on facts, the author is qualified to conduct a psychological study. The arguments are logical, and the information is valid and up-to-date. Hence all these facts make it a strong and great article which can be used in academic writing.

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