

USER GENERATED REFERENCE SITES

Newsgroups
Users discuss news
Eg reddit
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General Features
-Users can edit and add content
-Apparitional pages
-Changes can be tracked
-Ratings can be given

Virtual Worlds
A virtual world is an online community that takes the form of a computer-based simulated environment through which users can interact with one another and use real-world objects
Eg. SecondLife
Club Penguin
Second World
Minecraft
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Internet Forums
User discuss issues and problems
Eg yahoo answers
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Wikis
A website or database developed collaboratively by a community of users, allowing any user to add and edit content.
Eg Wikipedia

What can you do in an online community?
Each online community has different
• Functions- the reasons for the online community
• Features- the things users can do in that community
• Target audience - the types of people at which the online community is aimed.
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Discuss the impacts of the internet on the way knowledge is created

Information is accessible to everyone through ict so therefore people can communicate, collaborate and share ideas on a global scale.

Changes to the way knowledge is created (UGRS)

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Information is constantly updated
Users rather than editors decide what's important
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Pros
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CONS
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public social networking
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pros and cons of social networking
Pros:
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online work spaces
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VLE
Aimed at students and teachers who want to learn together.
The features
-they can access hwk and notes
-its lets teachers work collaboratively
Functions...
-email
-file sharing
-instant messaging
-Feedback on hwk
-Teachers can check work for plagiarism
-personalisation
-interactive quizzes and questionnaires
-blog
-marking tools 4 teachers

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Social Bookmarking site

These are for mainly students and
they can share urls and web

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eg. Buildabearville

Club Penguin

Habbo Hotel

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Pros

- Other peoples opinions
- Huge amount of infomation
- Infomation can be easily changed and kept up to date
- People from different parts of the world can collabarate

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CONS

- Content could be inaccurate, bias or just untrue**
- Need an internet connection to access all this information**
- disorganised as no one is incharge, may contain many errors**

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