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92050 Demonstrate understanding of decisions made in relation to a contemporary social issue

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Demonstrate understanding of decisions made in relation to a contemporary social issue.	Explain decisions made in relation to a contemporary social issue.	Examine decisions made in relation to a contemporary social issue.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Sharenting is parents, guardians, or other relatives sharing details about children's lives on social media. Read the information in the resource booklet about decisions made in relation to **sharenting**. Use relevant evidence from the resources to support your responses.

TASK: DECISIONS MADE IN RELATION TO A CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL ISSUE

(a) Identify and describe TWO decisions made in relation to sharenting.

What are the ethical considerations that influenced EACH decision?

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Sharenting is a term made up of the words 'sharing' and 'parenting'. It is used when the parents share every update and photo of their children's lives on social media. Nowadays sharenting is so common that it has become a trend for people to do so. Around the world, people are trying to find solutions to this action as it puts a very negative impact of the children's lives growing up.

In 2020, one of the decisions made in relation to sharenting was *'Wearing hoodies printed with slogans such as, "I do not consent to be photographed" and "No profiting off my image"'*. This plan was made by an anonymous Reddit user that claims to be the child of an Instagram influencer. The user concerns about the images posted by their mother online and states *"It sucks because there's so much out there about us and it's what's gonna come up when I'm looking for a job, when I'm dating, when anyone looks up my name"*. They believe that this decision would 'stop the mother being able to take pictures'. Children's rights plays a big part in this decision as it suggests that 'valuing the rights of children, including their privacy and the right to consent.'. Since a lot of the times, children don't get to have their say against their parents, it could be useful to wear cloths with these slogans as it would help stop people online from using the images for harmful purposes. The slogans also help gain awareness around the social media platforms in regards of this issue. This decision also highlights the concerns to the parents and encourages them to consider their Social media responsibility. Digital footprint, which refers to 'The information about a particular person that exists on the internet because of their online activity', was also targeted by the user when they said "it's what's gonna come up when I'm looking for a job, when anyone looks up my name". It means that because of their photos and information posted by their parents, it exposes them to everyone online and it could impact their professional and social life.

Another decision in relation to sharenting is being said to be made by France, which is to pass a law to ban sharenting. A bill has been passed in France by France's National Assembly and would allow courts to ban parents from posting photos of their children on social media. The Member of Parliament Bruno Struder aims to 'empower parents' and make youngsters realise that they have full control over their images. They claim that sharenting is putting the privacy of children at risk and photos of children can be "misused by criminals" or "can lead to bullying in the school" and because of that parents in France would be required to gain the consent of their children before posting anything on social media. This decision considers Children's rights as they should have control over their information posted publicly and have to right to consent. This would help the children protect themselves against their Digital footprint and negative impacts such as cyberbullying, anxiety and social alienation. However it also takes away the Parent's rights to make decisions regarding their children. It takes away the freedom of expression from the parents by having them to face punishments or fines up to NZ\$73,000 or a year in jail.

(b) What are some similarities and differences between the ethical considerations you have chosen?

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One of the differences take place between Children's rights and Parent's rights as they both speak for themselves. Where Children's rights asks for valuing the rights of children, including their privacy and the right to consent, Parent's rights asks for their right to make decisions regarding their children. If we look into the parent's perspective, we can understand that they would want to have the rights on their children in-order to raise them how they want and be able to decided what's good for them but we also need to think about the children as they're also a person on them own and consider their human rights too. I agree that some parents express their care and love for their kids through social media posts (such example: their birthdays or achievements) but it is important that the parents understand their children when they concern. It is better for the kids to talk to their parents and them to understand in regards of this topic because the privacy laws made by France can damage the relationship. For the younger kids that can't consent, I think it would be better to post a couple of photos of your kids under the Parent's rights but not to dedicate a whole TikTok account to them (quoted by a New Zealand influencer).

Some similarities can be found between Social media responsibility and Digital footprint. Digital footprint can be seen in relation to Social Media responsibility as it is important to be responsible of your online activity since it makes up your Digital footprint.

(c) What are the impacts and implications of the decisions made in relation to sharenting?

Impacts	The direct effects on individuals, groups, or places.
Implications	The wider consequences for society of the decisions made in relation to sharenting.

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Impacts of the decisions made in relation to sharenting:

- Parents being more responsibly of what they post about their children.
- Increased awareness around sharenting because of the slogans.
- Children being more aware of their Digital footprint.
- May cause the children to be less social.
- Less updates to the family members about the children.
- Protects children from harmful impacts such as cyberbullying, in-person harassment at school, depression, anxiety and social alienation.
- Better bonding between teens and parents.
- Would save the kids from facial recognition.

Implications of the decisions made in relation to sharenting:

- The awareness created by the slogans might allow the people to see why the children feel that way and maybe even take their well-being seriously by acting against the impacts such as bullying, anxiety, identity theft and even image manipulation.
- Parenting could potentially become harder due to the privacy laws in France as some children might try to take an advantage of it.
- Children would be able to have a full control over their Digital footprint, which would help them create their identity by themselves.
- Some false complains would be able to damage a family due to the France laws.

Achievement

Subject: Social Studies

Standard: 92050

Total score: 04

Grade score	Marker commentary
A4	<p>The candidate successfully identified two decisions made in relation to sharenting and discussed how the ethical considerations of digital footprints, parental rights, and children's rights influenced these decisions, using evidence to describe.</p> <p>The candidate compared parental rights and children's rights with limited evidence and mentioned briefly a comparison between social media responsibility and digital footprint.</p> <p>The candidate provided only bullet-pointed ideas regarding the impacts/implications of the decisions made, with no explanation.</p>