Positives

Level of information access way up

Ability to find more truth

Global connections up overall

More open to other cultures

Social media connections are higher

Easy convenient connections with people

Ease of travel

Easier to purchase/gain international products

Allows group gatherings far more efficiently (political or otherwise)

Ease to experience ‘new’ things

Can be anonymous

Negatives

Uncertainty of ‘what is true’.

Echo chamber effect (particularly relevant to social media)

Feeling of connection might be an illusion

Familiarity might create discontent

Very addictive

Might feed a ‘centralised global culture’

Global tracking. (“*Cambridge Analytica*”).

Memory and attention span lower

Travel is less natural/unplanned

Life becomes more boring with repeated exposure to ‘things’

Social media feeds the ego/narcissism in a bad way, makes them more egotistical

Anonymity leads to generally negative interactions

Overall