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Hate Speech in relation to Social Media

Hate speech is anything in form of words that has a negative impact or effect on the life of an individual or a group of people for example a clan, country and tribe. It can be in the form of insults or pictures. Hate speech is a common phenomenon which has existed in our society since the ancient times. In those days hate speech could be passed across verbally or published in articles of the newspapers but now with the coming of social media hate speech is easily passed across from medium to medium. Social media has greatly influenced hate speech, as shall be seen in the paragraphs below.

To begin, the creation of social has caused the world to become a technological village thus making it a simple playground for hate speech to proliferate. A wise man once lamented that the social media is a vast nest which breeds hate speech. Hate speech can be spread through applications commonly called "apps" such as YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp. It is also included in the news on TV or radio. This is done with the use of videos and immoral messages, for example videos can be shown insulting the way of life of some individuals like some fake videos or graphics are shown on how ministers, presidents, lawyers, delegates and forces of order are receiving bribe or how they do abominable things which is sometimes false.

At times the spread of hate speech can result from the hate of a particular group of people for example Albinos, Muslims or ethnic groups such as the Bamilekes, pygmies. It can also be spread due to familial hatred, which implies that if someone from that

Particular family or clan has done something abominable in the society, the whole family is continuously persecuted. Sometimes people are usually insulted because of their outward looks, size and appearance. For example these people, videos are posted on social media insulting people with unwanted diseases such as HIV/AIDS, Cancer, Cholera, Tuberculosis. Sometimes use these people as "emojis" or stickers there by making them to go viral, and causing others to share ignorantly or out of excitement thus indicating how social media has contributed to the spread of hate speech.

Again, the rapid spread of different forms of hate speech through social media has negatively affected the lives of people. For example, people are not employed because of their religion, race, tribe and clan. When this happens, these individuals have nothing to do than to engage themselves into scandalous activities such as prostitution which can lead to the acquisition of S.T.I's, Scamming and arm robbery to earn themselves a living. Also this has led to other crimes such as cyber bullying, it has also caused discord and misunderstanding among two groups of people which can eminently result to war. There is a saying that "a mighty ocean began as a tiny drop of water".

Hate speech has contributed to cases of stigmatization for example; in some institutions, when a Muslim is found among Christians, he/she feels out of place because of odd videos or articles spread across the social media or a black African that is in a white community will feel uneasy because of the rate of discrimination that exists among both races. It has caused numerous cases of suicide, psychological disorder, national insecurity, constant arguments, with fear and hatred among people.

As the proverb says "to every illness there is a cure" we can fight against hate speech in our society by encouraging our government to impose rules that punish any one who spreads any form of hate speech on social media. We should also avoid subscribing for programmes that incite

hate speech and we should avoid believing every article that goes on social media because most of them are false. We should concentrate only on the essential use of social media that is communication. Watching positive videos and movies.

Another means of curbing out hate speech is by teaching the future generation on the negative impacts of hate speech. Nelson Mandela says "we should cherish the idea of a democratic and free society in which all people can live in together in harmony with equal opportunities". We should encourage peace and reconciliation among people. We should accept our fellow mates the way they are and love them for it. We must spread love and unity in order to combat and suppress hate speech once and for all in our society. We should constantly remind ourselves that the Bible states that "God created man in his image and likeness" Gen 1:27 this means that we should look and treat others as an image of God, irrespective of his/her tribe, religion, complexion and language.

To crown it all we should use social media as a way/instrument of bringing people together and not to destroy relationships. Our main aim should be the eradication of hate speech in our community and to promote love, order and happiness in our society. As the old adage says "One hand cannot tie a bundle".



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SCORE

TOPIC: TOLERANCE AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO HATE SPEECH

PLAN

- What is Tolerance?
- What is hate speech?
- Forms of hate speech
- Disadvantages and effects of hate speech
- Forms of tolerance
- Advantages of tolerance.

To begin, tolerance is the ability or willingness to tolerate the existence of opinions or behaviour that ones dislikes or disagrees with. On the other hand, hate speech is any form of expression through which speaker intend to vilify, humiliate or incite hatred against a group or classes of persons on the basis of race, religion, skin, colour, sexual identity, gender identity, ethnicity, disability or national origin. The paragraphs below will be emphasize on the forms and disadvantages of hate speech and finally the forms and advantages of tolerance.

Firstly, hate speech exist in different forms which include discrimination, insults, dehumanization, demonization and incitement of violence.

secondly, these different forms of hate speech have negativ effects on its victims and also those practicing such act. These negativ effects will be emphasize below.

Victims of online hate speech heavily show

low self-esteem; they may feel lonely or isolated, increase anxiety and feelings of fear and insecurity. Their human dignity might be violated, no longer seeing themselves as good and appropriate in accordance with ~~some~~ cultural norms"

Thirdly, it poses grave dangers for the cohesion of a democratic society, the protection of human rights and the rule of law. If left unaddressed, it can lead to acts of violence and conflict on a wider scale. In this sense hate speech is an extreme form of intolerance which contributes to hate crime.

Also, hate speech is disadvantageous to victims because they feel frustrated and think they are different from others and therefore hate them and their values, feel as if they have been excluded from the society, have no importance and as such this does not only frustrate them physically but also psychologically which causes them to react negatively towards the society.

Again, the statutes forbid communication that is hateful, threatening, or abusive and targets a person on account of disability, ethnic or national origin, nationality, race, religion, sexual orientation, which penalties are fines, imprisonment or both.

Nevertheless, tolerance exists in different forms like orientation, location and end-out tolerance and as such can be used as ^{an} alternative to hate speech because

Tolerance promotes non-judgemental, open-minded, patient, permissive and let live attitudes towards diverse people, ideas and practices. It is an essential virtue in a democratic society.

Furthermore, tolerance between people makes it possible for conflicting claims of beliefs, values and ideas to coexist as long as they fit with acceptable moral values.

Moreover, respecting both similarities and differences in others opens doors to many opportunities. You will learn new things and make better decisions which in turn will help your career and improve your self-confidence.

In addition, tolerance is a fine thing, if it means letting people live as they will, in accordance with law as long as all parties are concerned and nobody is harmed or put upon.

As much as, if people become more tolerant towards others and take time to get to know some of those with whom they were unfamiliar with previously, it would lead to a fair more peaceful and understanding world and ultimately when considering your own self-growth an acceptance of other people's differences is a sure fire way of peace.

Again, lack of tolerance leads to fighting, violence and finally destroys the peace and security of the society and as such if people become more able to accept one another's difference, it can have a positive effect on one's self-improvement and allows one to think more broadly and enjoy greater inner peace. Tolerance leads to less stress and greater happiness in the overall community.

Finally, tolerance is an important concept that helps people to live together peacefully and as a virtue it implies that one accepts differences in people; tolerant people are generally free of prejudice and discrimination. Hence, being tolerant makes you feel more mature, more civilized and a better human being.

Knowledge and understanding of subject = 4
Arguments on the subject = 3
Presentation of work = 2
Grammar and punctuation = 3

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PROMOTING MULTICULTURALISM AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO HATE SPEECH IN CAMEROON

Multiculturalism is a situation in which all the different cultural and racial groups in a society have equal rights and opportunities and none is ignored or regarded as unimportant. While on the other hand, hate speech is any form of expression through which speakers intend to humiliate or incite hatred against a group or class of persons on the basis of race, religion, skin color, sexual identity, gender, ethnicity, disability or national origin. Promoting multiculturalism as an alternative to hate speech can be a very important strategy to implement (looking at) our present society of today. The following paragraphs will illustrate this.

Cameroon has a rich and diversified culture made up of a mix of about 250 indigenous populations and just as many languages and customs. Cameroon has over 250-300 distinct groups and an estimated 300+ languages. For this reason, promoting multiculturalism as an alternative to hate speech is very important in our country Cameroon.

Also multiculturalism has played a significant role in Cameroon's growth and a better approach to education since individuals of many

religious groups, ethnicity, and regions join together to educate little children, and the small student learn everything from their friend of various religions and ethnic groups which would not be possible in a hate speech Cameroon.

Furthermore, multiculturalism provide opportunities for employment because people of various religious groups, ethnicity, region, race, skin, and color are employed in the same office or business where they interact with one another and perform excellent work as part of a team.

Moreover, multiculturalism affect the need for political inclusion. These can be seen in the parliament, senate, and various ministries where people of different religions such as Christians and Muslims, ethnic groups such as the Bamileke people, the Ndebele and the Bassa just to name a few are able to take part in decision making. They are able to portray their culture in terms of their dressing, language and beliefs. Thanks to multiculturalism because this could not be possible in a hate speech Cameroon.

However, multiculturalism promote integration of different cultures and the sharing of different cultures and the of ones ideas and perspectives unlike a hate speech environment where there is no freedom of speech and characterized by intertribal wars, a multicultural environment does not agree to this. A multicultural environment is characterized by freedom of speech and intertribal peace, freedom of navigation which is an important factor in promoting multiculturalism.

Also, a multicultural working environment allows individuals to get under the skin of cultures that are incongruous to their own. As such, people will acquire a level of knowledge that will not only help them perform their jobs better but provide tools to expand their careers or the business internationally.

Looking at the importance of multiculturalism, it can be improved or promoted in many ways and to begin with, Cameroon should emphasize on the celebration of the mother tongue day which is gradually disappearing from our society.

Also, people should bridge the culture gap with good communication skills. Good communication skills are important when dealing with different cultures. Furthermore, traditional holidays, festivals and food should be celebrated. Celebrating diversity can help increase cultural literacy, awareness, and acceptance.

Moreover, seating arrangement should be mixed. For example, in schools, people of different ethnic groups, religious groups and regions should be mixed. This is to enable them learn about each other cultures and beliefs.

Our Cameroon society is progressively being eaten up by level of hate speech, tribalism and divisive tendencies that are threatening the very foundation of harmony, living together and unity of the citizens. For this reason we as Cameroonians should eliminate hate speech and promote multiculturalism.

Knowledge and understanding of Subject = 6
Arguments on the subject = 4
Presentation of works = 2
Grammar and Punctuation = 3

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Promoting Alternative Measures to Hate Speech in the School Milieu (PLAY TOPIC)

PLAN

Introduction - Definition of key terms (Hate speech)

- Examples of Hate speech
- Amongst who is hate speech common
- Effects and disadvantages (Brief)
- ~~Threats/Measures~~

Body: Promoting Alternative measures to hate speech in the School milieu

- Organising seminars by the school administration on hate speech so as to inform teachers and deepen their intelligence on hate speech.
- Clubs should be organised to educate school on hate speech.
- Moral education and counselling should be encouraged where by pastors as well as counsellors are invited.
- Victims faced with hate speech and prejudice should be encouraged to speak up so that their ill-mannered peers should be punished.
- PTA meetings should be organised where parents should be educated on hate speech.
- Speech should be presented by both teachers and students on hate speech including anti-harassment policies.

Conclusion: Opinion and benefits/feelings on hate speech and on its mitigations.

Promoting Alternative Measures to Hate Speech in the School Milieu

A school is a place of learning where diversified people meet for a common goal; to acquire knowledge. It is rather discouraging that some of these people with different backgrounds tend to practice hate speech. Hate speech is any form of expression through which speakers intend to vilify, humiliate or incite hatred against a group or class of persons on the basis of race, gender, skin color, ethnicity, disability and so on. Hate speech is not free speech for it expresses discriminatory, intimidating and prejudicial attitudes meant to hurt someone. In the school milieu, hate speech is habitual in both teachers and students which has social, moral, physical effects on them to name a few. Examples of hate speech are: slangs like "Les bamenda" mostly from the francophones to anglophones, "Empty head" and more. ~~These~~ ^{Hate speech} ~~are~~ can be curbed as seen in the following paragraphs:

Firstly, Clubs such as human right clubs and anti-bully clubs should be organized by the school administration to educate students on hate speech and also monitor and report any form of hate speech in the school milieu. These clubs may also organize programmes which motivate and reward students of good behaviour so as to ~~encourage~~ ^{encourage} other students to join these clubs to better prevent hate speech.

Secondly, Seminars should be organized by ^{the} school administration to educate teachers more on the effect of hate speech. In these seminars there should be adequate staff training where by ~~teachers~~ ^(students) can be taught on how to address situations of students like; they ~~not~~ ^{not} being able to meet up with school needs or not being so smart ~~by~~ using loving and calm words like "You can do it. Keep on", "know that you are intelligent". Than telling students "You are too poor and foolish" "You will give birth to your children in this class, dullard" which discourages them more. Teachers should be exemplary in a good way to students.

In addition, Victims who are faced with hate speech are

encouraged and should be motivated to speak up when biased. This will help the school authorities to sort out and punish all students who don't accept diversity and equality. Also, school authorities should establish classroom values that all cultures are to be respected.

Students who don't accept diversity and equality. Also, school authorities should establish classroom values that all cultures are to be respected. build class empathy where victims talk about the ^{hate speech} stories to their mates so that they can be aware making students to know their rights and difference between hate speech and free speech.

Furthermore, ^{during} parents and Teachers Association meetings (P.T.A), ^{Parents should} be educated adequately on hate speech. Students copy what their parents do and say therefore parents being biased towards others in the presence of their children encourages them to do so. Parents should also be advised on how to talk to teachers in school when their child gets into a problem. Parents talk to teachers rudely sometimes even saying slangs like "You are not well paid for your job", "You will remain without a promotion" and more "due to anger and ignorance on hate speech".

To sum up, limitation to hate speech is necessary to have safe and healthy learning though hate speech can't be completely eradicated, it can be minimized. The more steps we take to support humans and speak up against injustice and prejudice the better our world will become.

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Argument on the subject = 5
Presentation of work = 3
Grammar and punctuation = 4

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TOPIC: Hate Speech and Social Cohesion in School Campuses.

Hate Speech and Social Cohesion in School Campuses

Hate speech is anything that directly attacks people based on what are known as their protected characteristics race, ethnicity, national origin, religious affiliation, sexual orientation, sex gender, identity or serious disability. Hate speech is also based on the unjustified assumption that a person or a group of persons are superior to others. It incites acts of violence or discrimination. and social cohesion refers to the strength of relationship and the sense of solidarity among members of a community. example the amount of social capital the community had. It also have its effect, challenges and some of its ways in which it can be fought against hate speech and social cohesion as seen below.

Hateful speech bears negative repercussions and is particularly damaging in college communities. The effect of hate speech on social cohesion as follows: heightened stress, anxiety, depression. Consoling heightens stress when the victims continue to be frustrated, the prolonged stress can lead to serious health if it is not treated. The impact can be both physical and mental.

Also anxiety as the effect when people are been maltreated in the society they feel lonely and feeling of fear and distress that led to danger to the group of people or person and will also let to mental health disorder that can led to death. Again depression is another effect of hate speech that will make the victim always tomatise, if this act continue, it can let to early death because the victim will see his or her self with no partner either in the school milieu.

Here are the challenges faced by victims of hate speech. Improving victim support, Reporting hate crime, by bringing them together with other group of people in-order to share the expression and feeling, working with victims of hate crime, cultural issues and working with victims from these or the communities, the using obscene language make the victims to

How we can fight or combat hate speech are as follows. Hold platform accountable for hate speech report tweets, Youtube videos, Instagram posts Facebook post and other speech that spreads hate to the platforms that are hosting it and demand action. Also raise awareness of the problem talk to your friends and family about why hate speech is not a problem just for the internet but our societies and culture.

Support people who are face on this situation fight back against harmful messages in public school campus places by publicly standing with victims and showing solidarity. And finally Boost positive messages of tolerance. part of modeling what we don't want to see is modeling what we do want to see.

Put in Place organisations to fight against hate speech



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Topic; How has the Coming of ICI Influenced the Propagation of Hate Speech? How can I.C.I be used to Counter Hate Speech in Our Communities?

Hate Speech has been a social ^{thread} ~~tread~~ for our communities for ^{centuries} ~~decades~~. Hate Speech do not have a fixed definition. This is because it is regarded different in various countries. So, it's definition varies from one country to another. Generally, or worldwide, hate speech can be defined as: A public speech that is aimed to demonstrate violence or express hatred to a person or a particular group of people (community) based on something like tribe, religion belonging, sexual diversities, etc. It is a willing action aimed at saying words to spark violence or giving attributes (names) to de-humanize the other. Hate speech has been viral even before the coming of ICI. For example; The Genocide in Uganda, ^{and Rwanda} the anglophone crises in the North and Southwest regions of Cameroon. With the alarming rate at which ICI has been brought ~~in~~ ~~in~~ our communities, the propagation of hate speech has been growing widely. That is; from Facebook to mobile phones to radio then to graffiti on street walls and then words of the mouth.

In Cameroon, governmental hierarchy and politicians are a great promoters of hate speech during online conferences, interviews or even debates. They give or outline numerous slanders or attributes that become unavoidable stereotypes to those concerns.

They give Slands like: "Camnogo", "Anglofou", "Bangwa gga Sense", "Franco-Frog", "Les Bamenda", "les porcdé l'ouest", "les Bami", etc. These words are at will and they become viral on Social Media immediately after difused on television and these alarm the societies and turn the Situation ^{from} virtual to real. These Slands Contributed to many Civil wars in Cameroon, in the North region with the Boko Haram, the anglophone Crises in the north and South west regions in Cameroon, Moreso, the "Bamiloké" Civil war in 1994. Moreso, Obscene images or Videos on the mediatic platforms are vital Constituents for the Propagation of Hate Speech. For example; The viral video of a woman cut into pieces and killed by separatist in the North West region. Also, the massive killing of Students in Bamenda by a good example to demonstrate the Consequences of hate Speech and words we can say to people that harm them and Spark violence.

The way ICT has led to the Propagation of Hate Speech is also the Same way at which it can be Countered. ICT or Internet as a means of destruction can equally be a means of prevention or restitution of Conflicts. ICT can be used to Counter Hate Speech in the following ways; Firstly, the Cameroon government can initiate Massive Sensitization on the harmful effects of hate Speech in Schools, places of work and even in different homes or Communities. Also, the Creation of Digital platforms where youths and educative personels can be adoled in order to Stop or Silence the growth of Hate Speech in Cameroon. Moreover, Creation of OnLine groups made up of Volunteers, NGO's, Student like for example;

The "#D4f4 Hate Speech" which has been created in 2019 in the Southwest region to fight against the propagation of hate speech. In addition, Social media like Facebook, twitter and even google should create Spams to detect any Negative Comment or all form of hate speech so as to wipe them away from ^{the} Social media. Otherwise, we can initiate NGO's like Unesco, to take part in Online Conference to Sensibilized the Internauts on the side effects of hate speech. If we all Cultivate the Spirit of togetherness and national Intergration, Love for each and everyone, we can be able to fight and say No to Hate Speech in Cameroon.

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Hate Speech and Freedom of Speech in School Campuses

Hate speech is the use of raw or insulting language which causes discomfort to a fellow student, friend or mate while freedom of speech is the free will to say what is on one's mind or his or her feeling. But should we, because of the freedom of speech use hate speeches on each other?

In the society and school milieu most especially hate speech is common since there are students of many different families, background and have different races. Generally it is said that every human has the freedom to say whatever is in his or her mind or rather say express their feeling about each other. Due to this people tend to exaggerate on this freedom, there is a general hate speech used in schools, societies and even in the country concerning people of the North West and South West region known as "Les Anglofous" or "Les Baranda" which makes it seem as they are a different calibre of people in the country. Nevertheless, some people will take it as a joke but it really hurts the people who are referred to as such. Coming down to the society word or phrases like "your big head" and just to name a few are frequently used. These statements sometimes cause discomfort whereby the person on who this statements are being used on feel inferior to others.

Consequently to this over exaggeration of freedom of speech which was being taken before now as a mere slang, has turned our country into a conflict zone where citizens want to be separated from each other. It was due to a "Les Anglofous" slang that crisis, misunderstanding and conflict arose in the country. As the main solution, I personally think we as Cameroonians should first and foremost accept ourselves the way we are and also our backgrounds and culture. More to that, we should consider the fact that we are all Cameroonians and consider each others feeling not only considering self satisfaction and happiness.

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Presentation - 02

Argument - 02

Grammar - 03

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1. As a result of this

Finally, all citizens should have a moderate freedom of their speeches thereby sure of not consequently hurting each others feelings with our words and expressions. We are all contemporaries so should learn to live as one in peace and harmony

Relevance to theme - 4

Comprehension - 3

Originality - 3

Insight - 3

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Hate which can simply be defined as the intense dislike and aversion usually deriving from fear, anger or sense of injury is very common in our society today. And this hate could be practiced through hate speech - hate speech which is the abusive or threatening speech or writing that expresses prejudices against a particular group especially on the bases of race, religion, or sexual orientation. Hate speech could also be understood as any type of communication in speech, writing or behaviour that attacks or uses pejorative or discriminating language in reference to a person or a group on the bases of who they are. Hate speech has clear consequences on the everyday life of people both on the individual and collective level. But where does hate come from? Hate comes from; marginalisation, violation of human rights, discrimination and undermining of personal dignity.

Hate has a good number of consequences. Firstly, hate can result to crisis, retard development, undermined personal dignity, violate the right to private life and can also constitute to inhuman and degrading treatments. Hate as well as hate speech, if left unaddressed can lead to acts of violence and conflicts on a wider scale. In this sense, hate as well as hate speech is an extreme form of intolerance which contributes to hate crimes.

Since hate as well as hate speech has

a negative effect on students academic life and performances, there's need for students to play an important role in defying hate and spreading love in their school campus. And this can be done through the following ways. Firstly, by raising awareness of the problem in the students' campus, support students who are targets of hate as well as hate speech, boost positive messages of tolerance amongst students, creation of a club in a school campus that denounces hate as well as hate speech and preach love amongst students in the school campus. Students should also notify organisations fighting hate about the worst instance they see. Students should also be made to understand that, one can be jailed for hate speech and as such there's no need for that and that is the most reason why we should preach love amongst students in a school campus.

To conclude, after having enumerated the causes and consequences of hate as well as hate speech there is that strong need of defying hate and spreading love amongst students in their campus. Since the bible ~~says~~ teaches us that we should love one another and be one another's keeper.

Knowledge and understanding of the subject = 5
Argument on the subject = 4
Presentation of work = 2
Grammar and punctuation = 4

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