

Introduction

1. How do social media impact our lives both for good and bad?
2. What do we mean when we describe someone as a toxic person?
3. Why do some people and workplaces become toxic?
4. What do we call a sensational piece of news which is not true?
5. Why does fake news often spread faster than true news?

Reading

Read the following lyrics. What is this song about? Can you give it a name?

Although you can share all the things you've done,
Still you can't be sure if tomorrow comes.
Even though you try to do your best for all,
Yet there's always someone who cheers when you fall.
While they watch you fail, watch them and learn.
How they vent their spleen. What makes their hatred burn.

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There's loads of fake news we all have to chew.
In spite of being tired, we've got to find the truth.
It ain't about us or them, though that's what many deem.
More statistics must come to light, however, they are dull and dim.
While the trolls do harm, we'd better forge links.
Our world gets torn before we can blink.

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Language

- ▶ Underline **eight** expressions in the text that describe any kind of contrast.
- ▶ Listen to the song and check your answers [here](#).
- ▶ Discuss Questions 1, 3 and 5 from the intro again; this time using some of the expressions you've heard in the song.