

WHEN SNAPCHAT MAKES YOU SNAP



POTOTO

I'm still new to the world of Snapchat. It's fun but most of the time, it won't detect my face and will frequently face-swap with my neck. Thanks Snapchat, for the lovely reminder to do something about my neck fat that is apparently big enough to be considered a face now.

Every social media platform out there has users with bad habits that most of us would like to avoid and Snapchat is no exception. However, sometimes these people become unavoidable or are our "friends" and all we can do is sit and endure their annoying antics. Even though there are billions of us, the same few types of Snapchatters pop up in almost all of our friend lists.

FILTER FREAKS

These people are completely obsessed with Snapchat filters and will even spend their free time making faces and checking out how they look with the same filters every single day. If you're unlucky enough, they

might even send you the selfies they take and you have to pretend like they're not the same everyday.

SNAPPING ALL DAY, ERRY DAY

Documenting every little boring thing that happens in your life is only excusable if you are a blogger or YouTuber with a large following that would actually LIKE to know what you're doing all the time. I also wonder what those who lie and exaggerate about their lives in their Snapchat stories gain from doing this. Is the envy of your friends paying for the joyful and expensive life you pretend to lead? I didn't think so.

ALWAYS USING THE SNAPCHAT CAMERA

I understand it is nice that you can add text to your photos as this lets you communicate better with your friends but why do you have to take every single photo with the Snapchat camera even though you're not going to post it only on Snapchat? A picture really does tell a thousand words so I don't understand why people feel the need to add five more to that thousand even when it's painstakingly obvious what the picture is about.

CONVERSATIONALISTS GONE WRONG

If you want to have a long and meaningful conversation with me, text me like a normal human being would. Do not send me a string of selfies completely irrelevant to the messages attached to them that last 150 seconds. Also, sending Snaps of illegible things that you wrote with your fat butterfingers baffle me when the option to type like a normal person is still there.

SAME SNAP IN STORY

Attention people who send the same Snap that they include in their Snapchat story, to me: It's bad enough that I have to watch everyone else's fun lives while sitting at home wrapped in a blanket, but you have to go and make me feel special for just a bit then bring me down again? Not nice, bro. Not nice.

THE PROBABLY NEVER FINISHED AN EXAM IN TIME SQUAD

I see that it's your face I am looking at for over 5 seconds now. I better get a cookie for all those extra seconds I could've spent looking at my own face with the cute sad face filter.

To Be a Part of Chat Groups. Or Not.

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For people who prefer to spend most of their spare time within the comforts of their rooms, all the while craving the company of friends who are out there having the time of their lives, chat groups are blessings.

If, like mine, your childhood squad mostly consists of people who live abroad or in a part of town that makes meeting up equally unfeasible as the former, you'll understand the joys of staying connected with each other 24/7 through these numerous message groups on different social media platforms. Sharing the tiniest details about each other's day, starting from the minute you wake up till the time you retire to sleep at night, it seems as if nothing's changed since you were all together in person.

However, when you do have a chance of meeting up somehow, these chat boxes witness unsuccessful plans and futile suggestions thrown back and forth among yourselves as you struggle to fix a suitable time for all of you. I've been trying to do so for the last two months with absolutely no success and if you are on the process of making plans right now, hehe, good luck.

Then there are those hectic weeks when all the group members are caught up with their own lives and the activity wanes to a depressing stop but there is always the chance of reviving it once again when something

trying to make plans in a group chat



grand happens or when one of you decides to be creative with your nicknames.

On the other hand, there are chat groups that you wish became inactive the day you were added to it for reasons still unknown to you and you can't leave them

because you do not wish to seem impolite.

I was once added to a group by a distant cousin of mine because he wanted to tell us how he had gotten married and would like to invite us all to his reception. I was initially amused how someone could think of no other way than through a group message on Facebook to break this news. However, the real shock came when I realised that not only had he added his friends who just couldn't hold back their awfully inappropriate jokes but also some of his family members who had no idea about his relationship prior to this. It was a terrible experience but it taught me to always check the members when I am added to a chat group and consider whether I should mute the notifications immediately or not.

Speaking of relationships, you are yet to witness the ugly sides of third-wheeling if you've not been added to a chat group by a couple whose relationship is on the rocks and you are the first person they go to for advice. Brace yourself while they throw pointless accusations at each other and then expect you to agree to them. If you do manage to talk some sense into these love birds at some point and they mend their fences somehow, you'll then find yourself in the middle of an awkward conversation as they make sappy confessions about how much they regret this fight ever happened. They do not regret it more than you do.