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It doesn't matter what kind of device you have but what matters is that kids use these devices for help and sources so that when they need a question answered, they can look back at their devices for it. Students are also able to email their teachers if they need to or use the school webpage to help with homework or a project. Media helps open our minds and think a little more about our work. Some apps can be distracting at times but other apps or other folders can help store things for us and help us remember things rather than having to write it down and either forget about or just not use it. Media is very important to some students whether it's for a good reason or not.

These devices can be very good tools for some things. For an example: you can download books, you can use YouTube for needing to watch a video on how to do something or just things like that. Some of these things we have come with sources that we have to use daily like a calculator, camera, safari (google), music, message, helpful subject apps, etc. The devices these days seem like they are bad for children and aren't helping with their education but they really are just in different ways. I mean, who doesn't love google? It's got everything you need and you can access it at any given time. Now I understand you get distracted, we understand less, remember less and learn less but in the end it all comes down to one point. Whether we want to do something with our lives or not.

Also, a lot of today's current events are very important for us to know and we wouldn't want to miss then especially if it's a worldwide thing. Think about how much chaos and confusion there would be. People would be stressed all the time not being able to know what's going on in the real world. Google doesn't want us to slow down because the faster we zip across the Web, clicking links and skimming words and pictures, the more ads Google is able to show us and the more money it makes. By just getting apps, we are getting smarter every day and they are making more money for our world.

Although, some people say this would be good because students would get out more and be more productive in the things they do. It may help a little with stress and bullying but think about how much more stress there would without having the social media to having social media. Yes, a lot of people today aren't getting along because of social media but at least they are keeping their minds thinking and making them work and smarter.

In conclusion, I think we should not have this "Shut Down Your Screen Week." It just wouldn't be right for the students and it would just put a lot of stress towards them and they wouldn't be able to communicate with their teachers or parents and that would really cause problems. It is very important to have social media these days because of the technology and how it can help us these days.

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Comment [KD4]: Claim restated

8th Grade Argument: SAGE Writing Rubric Scores	
Statement of Purpose/Focus and Organization	3
Evidence/Elaboration	1
Conventions/Editing	2

This essay makes an argument and generally focuses on the prompt. It has an adequate organizational structure, including a weak introduction, somewhat muddled body, and stronger conclusion. A counterclaim is acknowledged and addressed in the fifth paragraph. The essay makes some use of transitions between ideas (transitions at the beginning/ends of paragraphs) and among ideas (internal transitions within the paragraphs) to show the text structure and organization.

The essay exclusively uses background knowledge to support its claims. No reference is made to information from the passage set. The essay makes little use of academic vocabulary but does use a number of domain-specific terms ("social media").

While errors in usage, grammar, and mechanics are present, they do not rise to the level of obscuring the meaning of the text.