A hobby that I have been very interested in is sports. More specifically football, my family and I have always loved watching football on Sundays and I even used to play football myself when I was younger. Football is arguably one of the most dangerous sports that is still being played today. There is 11 people on the field at one time for both teams. One team is on offense and the other is on defense. The team on offense is trying to get to the “end zone”, while the team on defense is trying to prevent them from doing this. This may sound fairly easy and harmless until the team on defense is running full speed at the offensive team trying to tackle them. There are also multiple people on the field called “referees”, they call penalties and make sure the players are playing the game by the rules and also to help try and prevent injuries as much as possible.

The reason I think that I began to take interest in football is because of my family. I grew up watching football every Sunday, it was almost like a tradition in my family. After watching football so much it made me want to go out and play it myself. This is how I really got to be interested in football. Football is a sport where a referee could throw a penalty flag down on every play because of how physical of a sport it is. With this being said it would be impossible for the referees to be able to fix their mistakes and be consistent without something called instant replay. Instant replay is essentially a recording of the entire game in real time. The NFL is always revising this process to make sure that instant replay is efficient and consistent (“Upon Further Review…”). The NFL has been able to allow referees to understand where they made their mistakes and make it so that they will not make them again. This is helping prevent more injuries and also help the game itself run smoother and better than it
ever has before. The most recent changes the NFL has made to instant replay was in 2017 ("Upon Further Review"). Instant replay does not only benefit the players and referees it has also had a great impact in the fans watching the game from their house. Instant replay allows not on the referees to see the play again but also the fans. Which has allowed fans to see a play again and decide what they think the call is or should’ve been and also allowed them to watch a big hit or an amazing catch from their favorite wide receiver for a second or third time.

Technology has impacted football in so many different ways. In my opinion, almost all of them have been good ways, technology has made the game safer, easier to watch, and also made it easier for the players to communicate and work on their game. Helmets are the main thing that has been improved by technology. When football first started players were wearing leather helmets which offered almost no protection to their head. As the years went on technology has allowed helmets to go from leather to a thick type of plastic that can protect a player’s head from very severe hits to the head. Helmet audio is also another technological advancement that has drastically changed the way the game is played now. It has revolutionized the hurry up offense because instead of having to run back and forth to talk to the offensive coordinator the Quarter back can just listen to him through his helmet ("The Top Five...") This has allowed the game speed to be increased much more which is good for the audience as well because it will keep them more entertained during the game.

Technology has already improved so much throughout the years and it is not even close to an end. As people are able to continuously work on helmets, instant replay, etc. they will on continue to improve. People and technology are changing every single day so it is only a matter of time before a better helmet or better video quality comes out and replaces the old one to improve football even more than it already is. These are just things that are already in the game as well. This is not to mention completely new inventions in the future which could revolutionize the game even more. For example, there could be an invention of something that could allow players to recover faster and healthier from
injuries so that they do not have to sit out as long as they do now. When a player gets a serious injury, it could potentially put them out for an entire year or sometimes even their career. Which is why not only technology in football but also medical technology would improve the way the game is played. There are so many ways the game could still be improved we are just starting the changing and improving process for the game of football.

Second Paper

I have chosen to do the show “Drake and Josh”, season 4 episode 13 called “Megan’s Revenge”. Drake and Josh is about to brothers that always happen to run into some sort of trouble. It is a kid’s comedy show that was on in the early 2000’s. This was my favorite show when I was a kid. Drake and Josh have a mom and a dad and a younger sister that always messes with them. Drake is sort of the dumb popular kid in the show, all the girls love him but when it comes to school and studying he tends to struggle. Josh is the opposite he is the weird kind of dorky brother of the popular boy that everyone loves. HE is super smart and loves to do well in school but he is not as popular or social as his brother Drake is. Their little sister Megan Is much younger than both Drake and Josh but seems to be more intelligent than both of them in this show. She loves to prank them and do anything she can to make their lives miserable all while she gets to sit back and laugh while they are falling into one of her many pranks.

In this specific episode Drake and Josh go into their sister Megan’s room which is something they never do. They would never mess with anything of hers in fear of what she would do to them. When they go into her room they take a picture of her beloved hamster and then he drops dead after that flash was too much for him. The entire episode is about Drake and Josh on pins and needles in fear of what Megan will do once she finds out that they went into her room and accidentally killed her pet hamster.
The technology I have chosen is the camera that Drake and Josh used to take a picture of Megan’s hamster. The camera is arguably the most used piece of technology in the world. 657 billion photos are taken every single year, that is enormous number of pictures taken every single day (Eveleth). This shows how readily available cameras are in today’s world. Phones, computers, even some watches have the ability to be used as a camera. Cameras are one of the most available pieces of technology in our world today. Anyone can get one, if you have a phone then you already have a camera. There is a lot of different kinds of cameras. There is the camera that is in your phone and computer then there is a real camera that is only used for taking photos or videos. These cameras are much clearer and better for picture taking than a camera in a phone, but most people will just use their phone camera because of how convenient and easy it is to do.

Cameras have been used to solve many different types of problems. Without cameras then there would be no way to have picture or video proof/evidence of something. Most of the time cameras are just used for taking pictures of people for fun and for memories but in other cases it can be used to solve things like murders or something smaller like who ate the last cookie. Cameras can be one of the most useful and important pieces of equipment for someone like a police officer. In the show, it is not exactly solving problems it is more of the one causing the problem in this case. In the show, the flash of the camera killed a hamster. In real life, I do not think this would really happen. The flash would have to be so strong that it would even be dangerous for people to look at the flash it could cause someone to lose their vision or cause severe headaches.

In the show it is effecting Drake, Josh and Megan’s life in a negative way. It was the cause of the death of a hamster. In real life, it is usually used for good things such as making memories and being able to take pictures so you can always have them with you. Cameras rarely cause people harm in the real world. In my opinion, this piece of technology is very ethical, it is for the most part used for good. In some cases, I am sure it could be considered unethical, for example, taking pictures of people without
their permission. For the most part I believe that it is ethical and a good way to capture moments. In the future this technology could evolve into something that makes pictures look so real it could feel like you are really there. I do not believe that the camera will diminish from the world I think it is too common in people’s everyday life that at this point they probably could not live without it. It is the same with phones that people take for granted and do not think about. The camera is such a useful and helpful piece of equipment that there is no reason to ever have to live without it.
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