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There has long been a tension between privacy levels and safety	65
levels. Both online and offline, it is widely believed that our lives are	140
becoming less and less private. Websites, security cameras, and even our	214
cell phones are among the many factors to blame.	265
People used to say that everyone wanted their fifteen minutes of	331
prestige. These days, the saying goes that people are worried about having	407
fifteen minutes of privacy. Many details about our lives, from our net	479
purchases to our walks in the park, are more public than ever. In some	551
ways, data gathering and video viewing are turning our lives into open	622
books.	631
Without question, we live in an information age. When applying for	700
credit cards or visiting a doctor, our personal data is passed from person	775
to person. Sadly, those details are not always safely protected or kept	848
safe. Identity theft is widely spread, as are database thefts. According	923
to one estimate, in the year of two thousand thirteen over eight hundred	996
twenty million personal records are stolen. That almost doubled the	1,065
record, which was set in two thousand eleven.	1,113
Of course, there is the internet. Online retailers, social network	1,182
sites, and other websites often track our intranet activity. One of	1,251
limited liability companies has come under fire more than any other	1,319
enterprises. Through its search engine, mail, and tools like the toolbar,	1,394
the company can record many of your online moves. That includes searches	1,468
made, websites visited, and items purchased. Critics says the data is	1,539
safe, and the company only uses it to improve our online experiences.	1,611
In a contemporary society, our privacy is even at risk when we go	1,678
outside. Security cameras attached to street lamps, traffic lights, and	1,751
buildings watch our every move. Satellites high above the earth also look	1,826
down on us. Supporters of the trend say we live in dangerous times, and	1,899
surveillance makes us safer. Critics say, however, it chips away at our	1,972

freedom. Whoever is right, the video surveillance industry is red hot,	2,044
worth an estimated fourteen billion dollars in the year of two thousand	2,116
thirteen.	2,128
When we travel at home or abroad, our privacy is also affected. Cell	2,199
phones or smart phones can be tracked, letting people with the right	2,268
equipment know our location. Identifications cards and passports are	2,338
starting to use computer chips that store personal information. Also, more	2,414
countries are taking fingerprints and photographs of people when they	2,484
arrive at airports. Again, that is done for security reasons.	2,549
As our privacy disappears bit by bit, some people are trying to live	2,619
as simply as possible. By staying offline and limiting the flow of	2,687
personal data, they are trying to fly under the radar. Others are	2,754
embracing the situation. They accept that they are public figures and look	2,830
for ways to turn it to their advantage. To millions of bloggers and other	2,905
online celebrities, the idea of privacy is a thing of the past.	2,971
The freedom of the net allows anybody to write about topics which	3,038
interest them. Blogging is one of the most popular means to express	3,107
yourself. A blog can be anything from a personal diary to a serious news	3,181
or information outlet.	3,206
Blogs, short for web logs, have grown into one of the most important	3,276
types of websites on the net. There are now more than one hundred fifty	3,349
million of them, published by office workers, singers, businesses, and	3,420
people just like you and me. Blog posts often include links to other	3,490
blogs, forming strong online communities. The massive collection of these	3,565
personalized websites is known as the blogosphere.	3,618
Besides being free, blogs are easy to maintain. There are two big	3,686
reasons for their popularity. Beneath the main banner are entries posted	3,760
by the blog writer, or blogger. New entries appear at the top, so posts	3,833
are listed in the order that they were written. Besides text, bloggers can	3,909

add photos, sounds, videos, clips, and web links. Furthermore, blogs	3,979
usually allow readers to make comments, which can lead to interesting	4,049
conversations.	4,066
A blog may be about your daily life, job, hobbies, family or any other	4,138
topic. If you are interested in, for instance, liquid crystal display	4,209
televisions, you might start a blog about them, posting articles, reviews,	4,284
and your opinions. Such content rich websites are resources which are	4,355
informative yet personal. In the Internet age, that is a key combination	4,429
which attracts readers.	4,455
Blogs are having an impact in some interesting areas. Celebrities use	4,527
blogs to post news, making traditional press releases less popular than	4,599
they used to be. Reporters track comments on the blogosphere to measure	4,672
the reaction by the public to events. And politicians use blogs to voice	4,746
their ideas. Some blogs have even become major news sources.	4,810
In one country, more than fifty percent of Internet users enjoy	4,875
reading blogs. Statistics like that have caught the eye of works. Some	4,948
companies hire bloggers to write about products. Writers can also make	5,020
money by hosting advertisements from firms. Programs place advertisements	5,095
on a blog based on its keywords. Bloggers can even set up deals with	5,165
companies. For example, a blog about cats might display the banner of a	5,238
pet food.	5,250
With so much money making opportunities, popular bloggers can earn one	5,322
thousand dollars per month or more. Some people even make a full time	5,393
living from their sites. The key is to add new content on a regular basis	5,468
at all times. You want people to know that your page is useful and up to	5,542
date. That may mean spending several hours a day creating new content. If	5,618
the traffic of your blog reaches two thousand visitors every day, it is a	5,692
sign that you are a big hit in the blogosphere. You may be able to live by	5,768
your blog.	5,778