Subject: Names On The Internet
Posted by Azuri on Tue, 07 Feb 2017 18:29:15 GMT
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I have been on the internet since roughly 2002 and I have noticed a change. Before, people would use fake names a lot, like when they signed up on a site. That isn't really the case anymore, yet people are talking louder than ever before about online anonymity.

What gives?

Subject: Re: Names On The Internet
Posted by sawyer25 on Wed, 08 Feb 2017 16:59:49 GMT
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I am one person that really prefers to be anonymous online so my verdict on this one is actually torn. I see a lot of fake names on the social sites and I think it is actually a 50-50 situation. People seem to be hiding their identities a lot based on what sites they are visiting.

Subject: Re: Names On The Internet
Posted by Silver on Thu, 09 Feb 2017 19:00:07 GMT
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I too think it's more about which site people visit. Personal preference plays a big part too. Personally, I don't really care if people know who I am or not. It's all good.

Subject: Re: Names On The Internet
Posted by GoldenOldie on Sun, 18 Jun 2017 22:19:24 GMT
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In my opinion, I think that if you feel the need to hide who you are, you probably should not be there anyway! I always try to use my real identity but I do change up the email addresses. I keep one just for things I'm checking out so my primary box doesn't get too much advertising.

Subject: Re: Names On The Internet
Posted by gofar99 on Mon, 19 Jun 2017 23:18:46 GMT
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Hi, I am inclined to agree about the issue if you hide your name...you probably should not be there. I use (and have done so for over 10 years) the same user ID (gofar99) on many sites and in all my email accounts. I also sign my responses with my name so while the ID is not my name the actual name does appear. I figure that this is sort of an out growth of my amateur radio days. Everyone had a "handle". I personally don't mind if someone knows who I am. I am

non-confrontational on the web. There will always be a few that are and their comments don't bother me. I have better use for my time and brain power than give them a part of it.

Subject: Re: Names On The Internet
Posted by drake on Sun, 09 Jul 2017 08:27:58 GMT
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I would say that hiding your online identity has to do with which specific sites are being visited. I use my real names on all my social media accounts. I also place my signature id that identifies me with my business niche, every time I am posting something somewhere.
