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## WebQuest: Ensuring Access to Quality Education



**Directions:** Record the information you collect from each of the WebQuest sections below.

***What makes education an important global issue?***

For each issue listed below, give an example of how education might help alleviate related problems.

Poverty and hunger

Gender equality

Child mortality

Maternal health

HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases

Environmental sustainability

List three concepts that interested you most from the presentation *Education Counts*. What did you find most interesting or surprising?

**Who has access to schooling?**

Looking at the world map of school enrollment rates:

- What trends do you notice?

View the graphs showing trends over time.

- What trends do you notice in each of the areas listed?

Number of out-of-school children

Primary school completion rates

Youth literacy rates

**Beyond school enrollment – Learning for all**

View the graphic showing youth literacy rates by country compared to average per-person income.

- What trends do you notice? Do you think similar trends exist in the United States?

- Compare literacy rates by state to poverty rates by state. Describe what you noticed about poverty in states where the literacy rate is higher than average and lower than average.

- How do you think poverty influences a person's education? How do you think education influences poverty?

**How can we expand opportunities for quality education and learning for all?**

If you could support education overseas like Peace Corps Volunteers do, where would you go and what would you do?

Describe an example of a person or organization working to improve education and foster learning in your community.

**Reflection**

Reflect on the research you've done so far and write an essay address the themes below. You can refer to the information and websites you've visited in this WebQuest, or other outside resources to support your writing. Be sure to articulate your own opinions and use evidence to support your points. Before you begin writing, compile your notes and ideas about each question in the space below.

- Why is access to quality education valuable for individuals, communities, and the world?

- On a local and global scale, what does *learning for all* mean and how can it be achieved?