

Education Gap

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Human intelligence is given nearly equally to everyone around the world, opportunity is not. There aren't many people who are poor because of their lack of ability. Most of those in poverty stay poor for all of their life simply because they were born poor and had poor parents. The wealth gap leads to an opportunity gap in education, university admissions and career advancement. Like this, the education gap repeats itself again and again. Although it is a complicated problem, we already have all the tools to solve it. I want to resolve the education gap based on uneven wealth through technology, intelligence and kindness.

The poor have less time to study than the rich, often because they need to work more, have less money for tutoring and after-school classes, go to less-qualified schools, and even suffer discrimination. Wealthier students can just focus on studying and hire individual tutors to get better grades. They have the resources to get extra help and usually learn above their grade level. However, poorer students need to work to earn money and can only study after finishing their work. While some are able to learn above their grade level, most get left behind.

To help resolve this gap, I will film Internet lectures with my friends for students my age and younger. I can do this for free using current technology. I can film the lectures with my smartphone, which has great image quality. For editing, there are many free apps that can be used for subtitles and graphics. I will post the video lectures on platforms like YouTube. But even if I post the videos, it is no use if no one is watching. For promotion, I can use SNS to promote our video channel. Since teens use SNS every day, my videos could quickly become popular.

Students always want to do what's fun and avoid what's boring. To attract many students to my lectures, I will use celebrities. Since many teenagers love celebrities, this could increase the popularity of my lectures. For example, I could use K-Pop songs to teach language arts and use as examples. I could also use popular movies and change some parts

to make the lectures more interesting.

For subjects, I will teach language arts and social studies for the second year of middle school. I will look through the book and decide what I need to teach. Then, I will solve questions in my workbook, from easy ones to applying questions. When I am done with this, I am going to write the important parts down, think about how to make the lesson fun, and film using my notes. This will also help me study because one of the most effective ways to learn is to teach. But also it will help other students too. I can recruit friends and classmates to help me by giving volunteer credit for it. Students are required to fill volunteer time and this will help them fill all their hours. I think this will attract many students to join me. By getting many excellent students involved, the channel will have diversified subjects.

Many people use the internet just to play and use SNS. But why not use it to solve the education gap in our society? I think this would help many teenagers going through hard time because of studying. If many students get help watching the internet lectures, their grades will increase and the education gap problem will improve.