

Education is a right!

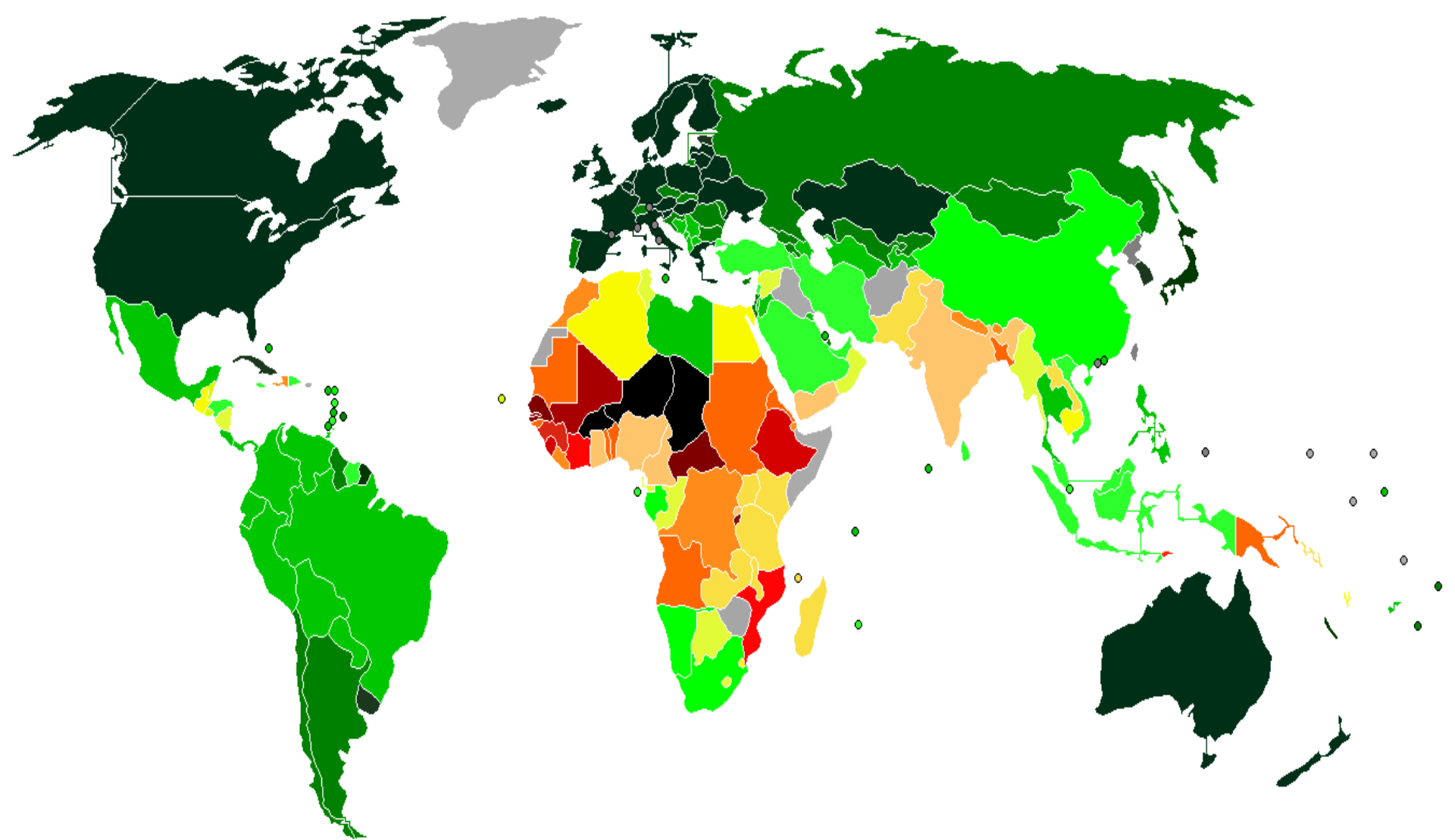
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Introduction:

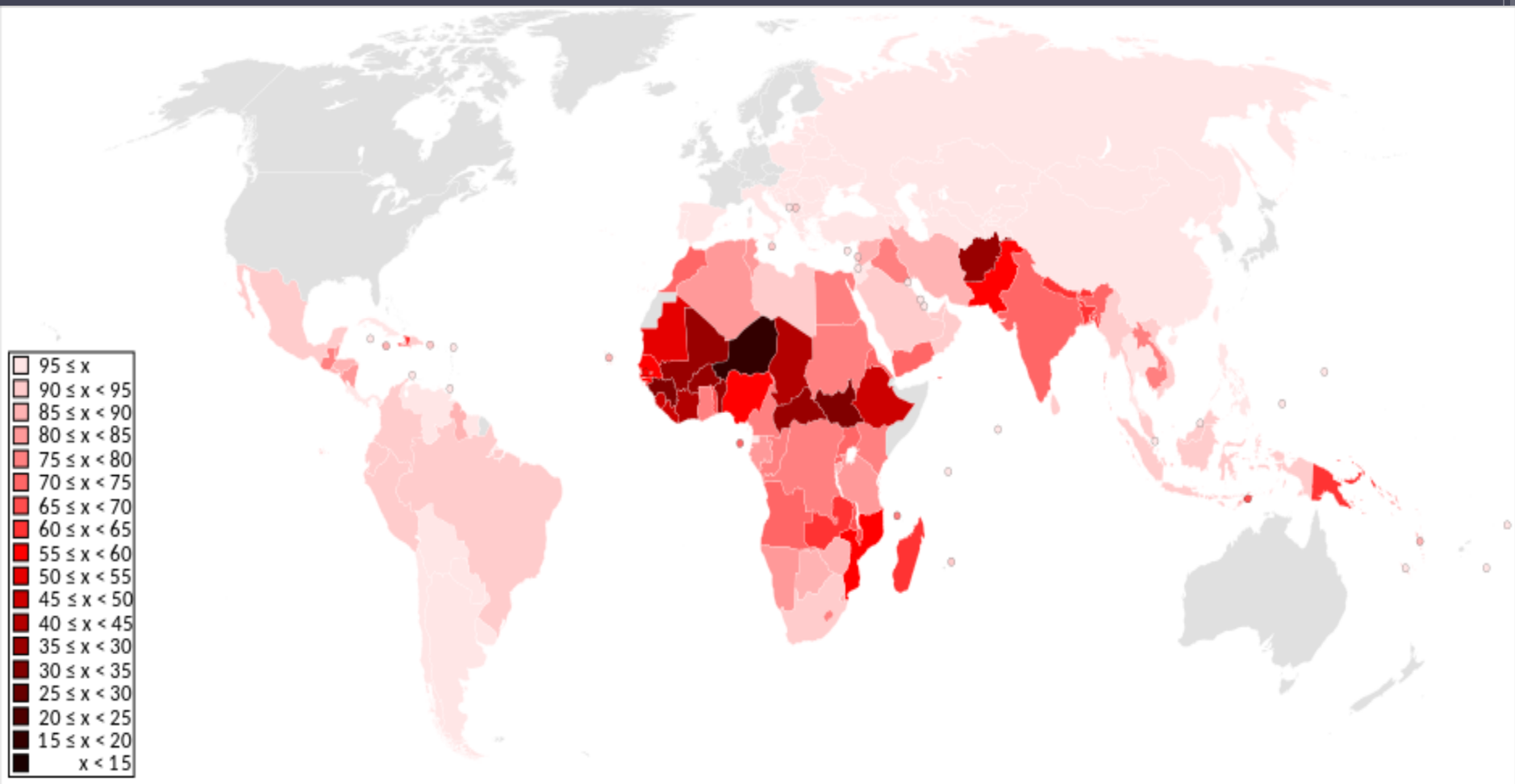
If we paraphrase the quote: “Freedom is not a privilege; Freedom is a right”, to “Education is not a privilege; Education is a right ” and we take a look at the following world maps which indicate each country’s Educational Index we will see that education which is one of the most important rights is not available to everyone.





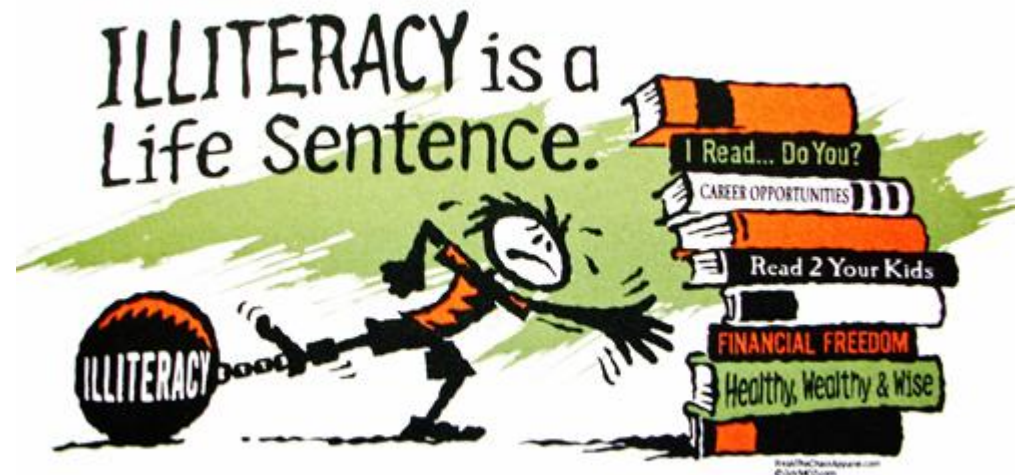
Countries fall into three broad categories based on their Education Index: **high**, **medium**, and **low** human development. (according to 2007/2008 Human Development Report)

<http://hdr.undp.org/en/content/education-index>



World map of countries shaded according to the literacy rate for all people aged 15 and over.

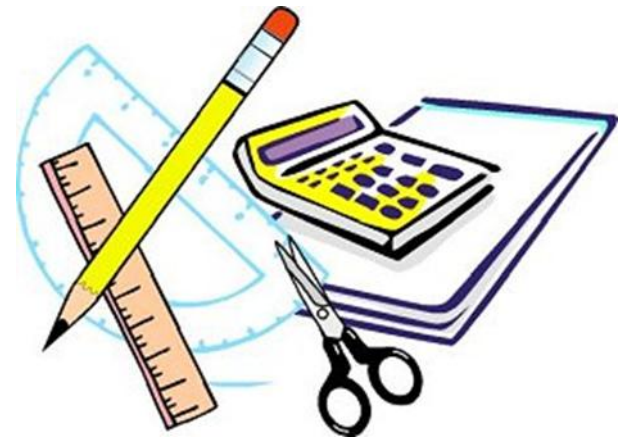
- As we can see, the undeveloped countries have the lowest literacy rates.
- Countries with high quality of life and income, like the European ones, U.S.A., Canada and Australia, tend to have higher literacy rates in contrast with the ones in Africa, Latin America and Asia.



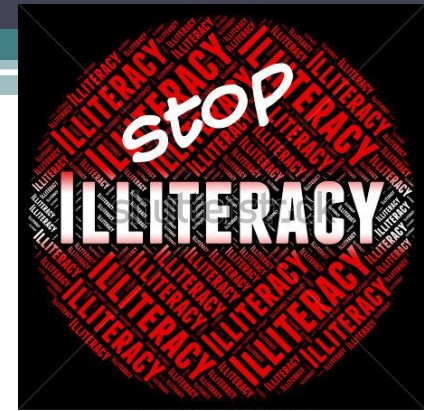
What can we do about it?

What has already been done?

There are many organizations throughout the world that promote literacy in developing countries (Literacy.org), that send books and educational supplies in Africa, Asia and Caribbean (Global Literacy Project).



What can we do?



After careful consideration and discussion with my peers we suggest that a non- profitable organization should be set up that will have a worldwide effect on both developed and developing countries. This organization, *PromoEdu* (standing for Promoting Education), will promote literacy around the world with the aid of volunteers and will provide access to education to people who due to various reasons did not or do not have the chance to learn the basics, like reading, writing, numeracy and computing.

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- The objective of this N.G.O. is to give people from all around the world the chance to gain access to education because one of the fundamental rights of people is that of education.
- Also, countries with high rates of illiteracy cannot reach higher levels of development because of the poor educational background of its people and the lack of any kind of expertise.



There are two different target groups that PromoEdu wants to help.

The first one is kids in developing and undeveloped countries that do not go to school because of financial difficulties and as a result need to work to provide for themselves and their families, or because they live in remote areas where there are no schools.

The second one is adults that did not have the opportunity to go to school due to the reasons stated above and as such they do not have the educational background to seek better employment.

In developing countries where the illiteracy problem is more common, some kind of financial aid should be given to everyone who loses a day at work in order to attend the lessons because it is known that life is very difficult, but education should come first.

Special places where kids and adults will have access to:

- The Internet
- Books and other educational supplies

will be created in many regions of each country.

Also, people will be able to attend their lessons and will have places where they can study or practise what they have learnt.



How is this organization going to raise funds?

Such initiatives should concern everyone and no one should turn their back to them.

Special telephone lines and web pages will be created to raise anything from money to supplies in order to help towards this goal, but also teachers or anyone who would like to volunteer in order to set up the organization or even teach can contact us.

Help us combat this social injustice once and for all.

Results:

PromoEdu aims at fighting the problem of illiteracy with the help of everyone who is willing to offer whatever they can for this purpose.

We are very confident that our work will be fruitful resulting in turning a new page at the world of literacy.



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