

# Sample note taking

## Education of Girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> World Countries

Topic

### “Developing a Perspective on the Global Achievement Gap”

Article Title

Developing a perspective on the global achievement gap: School leaders as international collaborators. (n.d.) > *The Free Library*. (2014). Retrieved Feb 24 2015 from <http://www.thefreelibrary.com/Developing+a+Perspective+on+the+Global+Achievement+Gap%3a+School...-a0190851383>

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1. Afghanistan historically has among the lowest rates of literacy and poorest attendance in education.

Bit of info from article

Comment on info

- a. This indicates that education never was a priority in Afghanistan
2. Taliban made this worse until they fell from power in 2001.
    - a. The Taliban played a large role in the lack of education.
  3. QUOTE “Under the Taleban (sic) rule, from 1996 to 2001, female education was banned. Women and girls were excluded from all aspects of Afghan educational life, from primary school to university. The government closed all of the girls' schools in the country and prevented female teachers from working. Many parents feared that their daughters would grow up illiterate. Some girls were secretly educated in their homes by parents and teachers; others attended underground schools.”
    - a. It was primarily girls who were excluded from education in Afghanistan. The parents kept kids out out of fear. I think it's pretty brave that some parents illegally educated their girls. I've also heard that those who could afford it sent their children abroad for school.
  4. UNICEF and UNESCO (of the UN) mobilized to get funds for supplies, teachers, and schools and now one million girls are educated in Afghanistan
    - a. This is a great step forward (but Malala was shot in the face for just this thing)
  5. QUOTE “**A Widely Denied Right** The right to free and compulsory education is viewed by many as one of the most fundamental of all human rights. It is particularly emphasised in the 1989 UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, which is the most widely ratified of all international human rights treaties. Nonetheless, basic education continues to be denied to at least 125 million children worldwide, according to the Global Campaign for Education, a transnational advocacy organisation made up of nongovernmental organisations and teachers' unions. One in three of the world's adults continue to be illiterate.”
    - a. This is an example of the powerlessness of the UN, nevertheless, the UN advocates for the rights of children to be educated.

An exact quote,  
marked as such

## “In Afghanistan, Out of Conflict and Into School”

In afghanistan, out of conflict and into school. (2004, November 11). Retrieved February 24, 2015, from <http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/NEWS/0,,contentMDK:20279607~menuPK:34457~pagePK:64003015~piPK:64003012~theSitePK:4607,00.html>

1. QUOTE “There are still local warlords and militia in many parts of Afghanistan,” Habibullah Wajdi says. “Although in its second year, the Central Government does not have much authority anywhere outside of Kabul. There is only a limited national security or police presence, and parents fear if they let their girls walk to school there’s a chance that they could be nabbed,” he says. Kidnapping is not the only safety issue. “Incidents like burning of tents and school buildings, explosions near schools, and threats to female teachers still occur. These all have a negative impact on the confidence in communities to send their girls to school.”
  - a. I can’t believe that people still live like this. It’s so foreign from my experience. It makes Malala’s bravery that much more poignant.

## “Fighting Terrorism with Education”

Bisenz, R. (2008, July 22). Fighting terrorism with education. Retrieved February 24, 2015, from <http://ezinearticles.com/?Fighting-Terrorism-With-Education&id=1347893>

Article about Greg Mortenson (**not as credible, since he has been discredited**)

1. Discovered that literacy rate in his area of Pakistan was 3%
  - a. That’s appallingly low!
2. QUOTE “Studies have shown that in countries where women have received increased education there are consistent results that improve the quality of life in that country. Poverty rates and infant mortality drop substantially as education increases. Economies grow and birthrates drop as more women enter the workforce. Mortenson understood that poverty and ignorance are the motivating social factors that fuel religious extremism. **If he could reduce ignorance and poverty through education; especially education for women, then he could reduce the incentive for the religious extremism that is used to recruit terrorists.**”
  - a. Is that true? How would I find that out?
3. Saeed Abbas Risvi, the senior Shiite spiritual leader in Pakistan, approached the Supreme Council of Ayatollahs in Iran and obtained a very rare letter of recommendation for Mortenson to help protect him.
  - a. Is this true?
4. QUOTE "If we could have the \$1 million for the purchase of one Tomahawk cruise missile dropped on the Taliban converted to education assistance, we could strike a serious blow on terrorism."
  - a. This seems logical. And education is better than killing, any day.