

the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are illiterate has increased from 1.2 billion to 1.5 billion. The number of illiterate people in the world is expected to reach 1.7 billion by the year 2015 (UNESCO 2003).

There are many reasons for the increase in illiteracy. One of the reasons is that the population of the world is increasing rapidly. Another reason is that the number of people who are unable to attend school is increasing. This is because of the increasing number of people who are unable to afford the cost of education. In addition, the quality of education is declining in many countries.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to increase the number of people who are able to attend school. This can be done by providing financial assistance to poor families. Another way is to improve the quality of education. This can be done by training teachers and providing better facilities for schools.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to development. Illiterate people are unable to read and write, which makes it difficult for them to find work and improve their living standards. In addition, illiterate people are more vulnerable to exploitation and abuse.

There are many organizations that are working to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One of the most well-known organizations is UNESCO. UNESCO has a program called the Global Education Monitoring Report, which tracks progress on education around the world. UNESCO also provides technical assistance to countries that are struggling with illiteracy.

There are many things that we can do to help reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. We can donate money to organizations that are working to reduce illiteracy. We can also volunteer our time to help teach illiterate people. Finally, we can encourage our governments to invest more in education.

It is our responsibility to help reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. By working together, we can make a difference. Let's join forces and help create a world where everyone has the opportunity to learn and succeed.

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