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Written By:Yixuan Wang

    I chose the article “What Happens When Kids Don't Have Internet at Home?” by Rachel Monahan. The author points out the gap between rich and poor by depicting the end-of-day scene at Kent School, Washington. The school distributes each student a laptop. And when the classes are over, most of the kids carry their laptops home but the rest does not due to the fact that they cannot get online there. Since laptops are owned by all the students, the course material are changed. The laptop becomes a tool to complete homework projects, and things need to be gathered with Internet. Therefore, “They’re being denied equal access to knowledge and information that are part of education in the 21st century.”

    I can use this article to specify the scenario that the affordability of personal computer is not the only problem but also the access to the Internet. My group can focus the research target on students and families with kids.This article gives us some accurate statistic data too.

    The policy that pushes schools to use more technology has its advantage but the author believes that some of the population are even more left behind because of these progress. Because our final project has to be specific, we can take some solutions in the article as reference.Such as inexpensive-thought highly inefficient Internet access for low income-family.

<http://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2014/12/what-happens-when-kids-dont-have-internet-at-home/383680/>

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The article I chose is titled “Without Internet, Urban Poor Fear Being Left behind in Digital

Age.” This article gives starts off with an anecdote of a young woman who does not have access to

a computer of her own and how this affects her. The article then moves into a deeper discussion of

how this affects millions of Americans. The article then discusses the problem of the digital age and

the solution of how to save those who are getting left behind.

I believe this article works well for the scenario our group has been assigned. It gives a

personal anecdote of a women how claims to be left behind in the digital age due to poverty.

This works extremely well with our prompt and allows us to empathize with the problem we

are attempting to solve. The article also goes into a lot of factual information about the status

of many Americans in the United States and shows what is being done to help.

The article states “, She (Jillian Maldonado) is one of an estimated 100 million

Americans who have no way of accessing the Internet at home.” The article also inputs that,”

But being disconnected isn’t just a function of being poor. These days, it is also a reason some

people stay poor.” I found both of these statements relatable to our problem in that it

expresses how much poverty affects the access of the digital world.

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Written By: Adrienne Chaney

The article that was chosen by me is one with the title “Obama Unveils ConnectHome to Get-

Low income Households Online.” This article talks about an initiative that goes by the name

ConnectHome that was founded by the Obama administration. This initiative is made for making it to

where low-income households can become connected to the internet, whereas they were unable to do

so beforehand. (Obama Unveils ConnectHome to Get-Low income Households Online.)

I am using this article because is correlates with the project that we are doing for the class. The

project that we chose is one that talks about how some people are not able to afford computers

because of low-income or other reasons. This article correlates because it talks of how the Obama

administration is going to give computers to those who cannot afford them.

This article talks of how they will make it to where people of low-income households can now

have computers, or at least connect to the internet. This pertains to our project because we were

thinking on different kinds of organizations that would help us fund the idea of giving computers to

those who do not have them. The Obama administration is doing just that. They are going to different

organization and private sectors to find help for funding this idea. (Obama Unveils ConnectHome to Get-

Low income Households.)

Don Reisinger, and Marguerite Reardon. “Obama Unveils ConnectHome to Get Low-income Households

Online.” *CNET*. July-Aug. 2015. Web. 04 Apr. 2016.