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### Discussion Question 1

Which areas and what populations are in need of increased quality education?

#### TRUE OR FALSE

There is no difference in lack of acess to education between boys and girls

## Facts

Girls are at the greatest disadvantage in receiving access to education

Around the world, more than 75% of girls currently out of school are never expected to enroll again

## Discussion Question 2

Why is education important?

What are the benefits?

# Benefits of Universal Education

Reduces Poverty

Lowers Child Mortality Rate

> Promotes Gender Equality

Fights HIV/AIDS

Provides access to food & shelter

# Lack of Education Leads To...



Poor Health

Civil Unrest

Increased Vulnerability to Disease, Abuse, Exploitation

Increased Cycles of Poverty and Gender Inequality

## Discussion Question 3

What are some barriers preventing quality education?

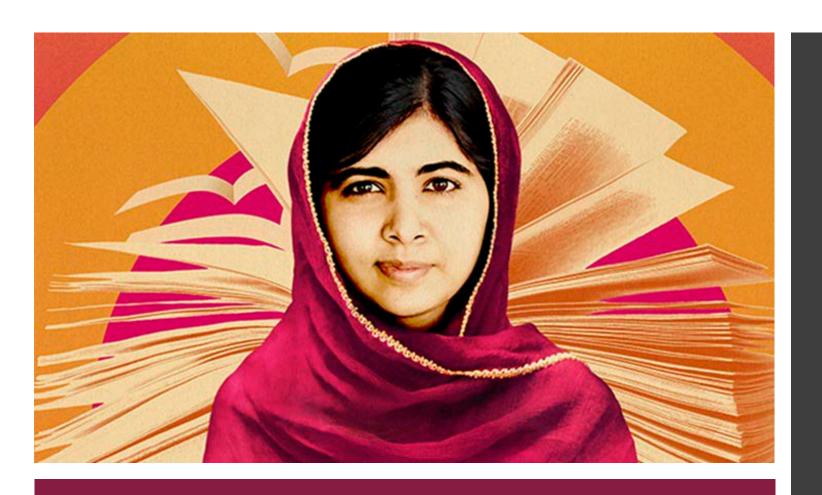
## Girls and Education

Girls are more likely to be denied an education

Very likely for girls to be married off at a young age Girls have a higher likelihood of being put into sex trafficking

Threatened with violence for attending school

 Nigerian terrorists abducted 270 school girls



<u>https://youtu.be/NIqOhx</u> <u>Q0-H8</u>

## Case Study: Malala Yousafzai

#### THE MALALA FUND

Invests in educators and activists in developing countries

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Key initiative = the Gulmakai Network

- Supports the work of education champions in developing countries
- Speeds up progress towards girls' secondary education around the world.

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Has initiatives from Brazil to Nigeria to Syria and more



Barriers - Case Study 2 — Child Soldiers



- In 2017, 14 countries were identified as using children in armed groups
- Children can be abducted and forcibly recruited by the military
- These children cannot benefit from education opportunities
- Some children are under the age of 10 when they are forced to serve
- Girls make up an estimated 10-30% of child soldiers



Example: Myanmar

- 8<sup>th</sup> on the list of countries at risk of children being recruited into the military
- Children have been often forcibly enlisted into the national army
- Deployed to areas where state forces have been fighting armed opposition groups

## **Mercy Corps** Colombian Initiative **Program**

- Global humanitarian organization
   empowering people to recover from
   crisis, build better lives, and transform
   their communities for good.
- https://youtu.be/OZuMKVPXgbQ



#### SDG 4 Progress

- Net enrollment rates were 91% for primary education
  - 84% for lower secondary education
  - 63% for upper secondary education
- 85% of primary school teachers worldwide are trained
- With NGOs like Peace Corps and CARE, educational programs are being created and implemented

## What Can You Do to Help?