

English – Reading Activity

1. Read the following paragraphs and socialize with your classmates and teacher.

Cultivating minds and bodies: The building of a citizen 1

Throughout history, learning has been one of **humankind's** great pleasures. Education allows people to explore and play to **stretch** their minds and expand their horizons. Education makes people **aware** of the world around them and beyond them and leads them to make conscious choices about their role and responsibilities within it.

When children and young people **achieve** higher levels of education, they are less likely to be poor, more likely to be employed and they develop greater confidence and capabilities in all areas of their life. Young people in school begin having sex later, and they also start **childbearing** later, which reduces the risk of **pregnancy** and childbearing-related morbidity and mortality and leads to better infant survival. Importantly, the gains delivered by education in childhood and adolescence – a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity – can never be replicated later in life.

2. Answers the following questions.

- What does education allow people?

- When children and young people higher levels of education, they are more likely to...

- At school, what do young people start to have today?

- If they have children later, what risks do they reduce?

3. Express your opinion on the text read above.

4. What is the meaning of the underlined words in the text?

Ex. **Aware** - Consciente