



Reading Wikipedia in the Classroom

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Reading Wikipedia in the Classroom

- ▶ Do you recognize the importance of promoting information literacy skills through a multidisciplinary approach?
- ▶ Do you think Wikipedia can be used as a learning material or platform in your class?
- ▶ Do you want to get acquainted with the Wikimedia Movement through its Education programs?
- ▶ Are you interested in developing learning materials using Wikipedia?
- ▶ Can you commit an hour a week to collaborate with other teachers in the development of Wikipedia as an open educational resource?

What is Wikipedia?

Free content

Multilingual

Open collaboration

Largest and most read reference work

One of the Wikimedia projects

Maintained by a non-profit organization



Wikipedia belongs in Education

- ▶ Reading Wikipedia should be part of learning specially inside the classroom
- ▶ Learners should understand how information is produced, how to access and evaluate content online, and how to understand biases and knowledge gaps in the information we consume **(media and information literacy skills for the 21st century)**
- ▶ Teachers should be introduced to the local and global communities of people behind Wikipedia, learn their practices, and use them in their profession

Wikipedia belongs in Education

- ▶ Teachers should change their attitude towards using Wikipedia in schools and take advantage of the free resource
- ▶ Teachers and the school administration should have a better understanding of the Wikimedia movement
- ▶ Teachers should take benefit from a variety of movement resources which Wikimedia Foundation offers including funding, a library, documented best practices, program support, trainings, toolkits, and more

WikiTutorial on Basic Editing

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Photography Walk

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Distribution of Reading Wikipedia in the Classroom booklet for students

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The Wikipedia Library

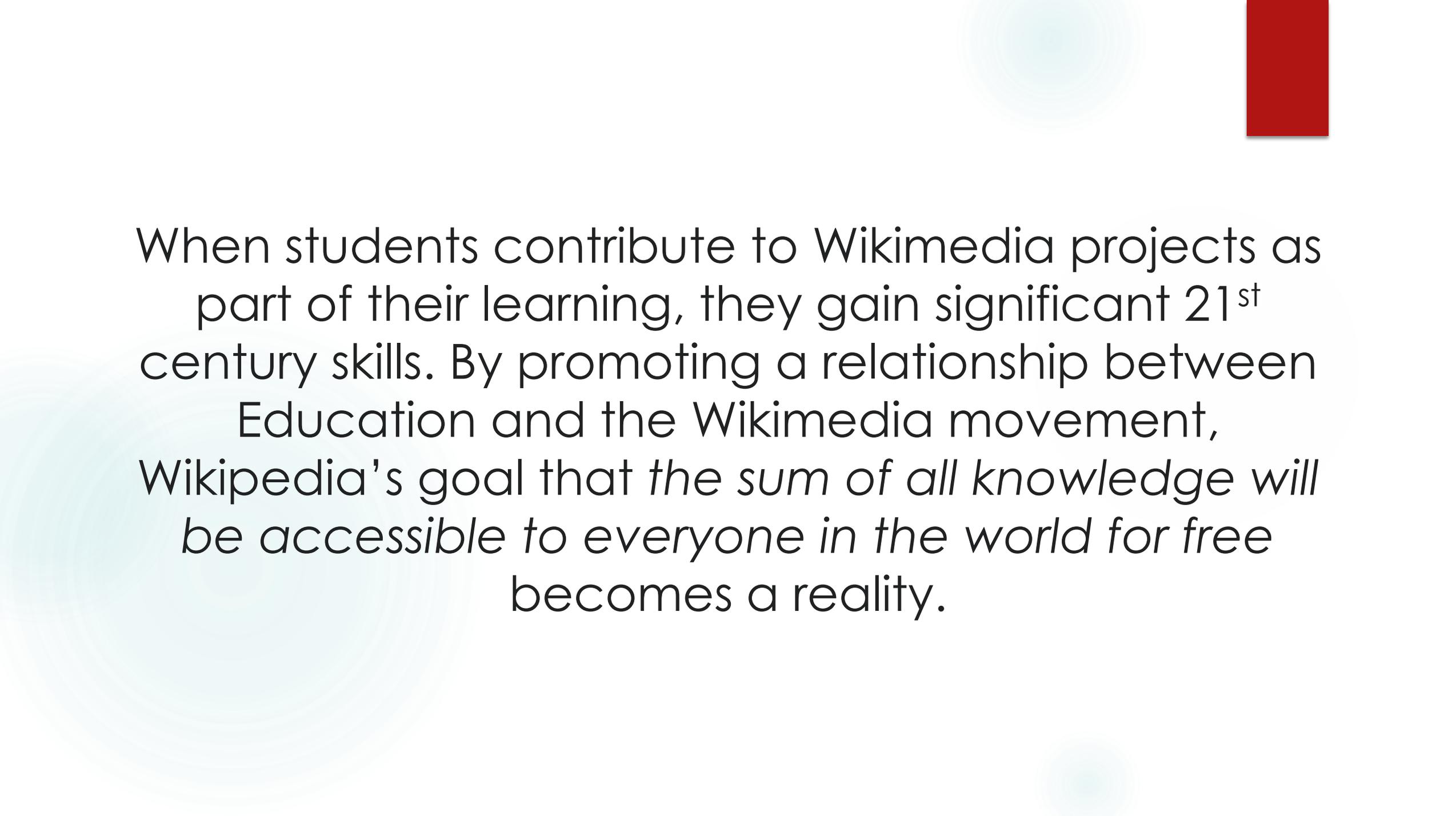
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When students contribute to Wikimedia projects as part of their learning, they gain significant 21st century skills. By promoting a relationship between Education and the Wikimedia movement, Wikipedia's goal that *the sum of all knowledge will be accessible to everyone in the world for free* becomes a reality.



Wikimedia Foundation through the Education team produced these resources to help educators better equip their students with vital media and information literacy skills for the 21st century, including understanding how information is produced, how to access and evaluate content online, and how to understand biases and knowledge gaps.

Reading Wikipedia in the Classroom pilot program

In 2020, the Education team at the Wikimedia Foundation launched the pilot program

Hundreds of secondary school teachers from Morocco, Bolivia and the Philippines participated in the online training

The program set out to transform the perspectives that teachers have about Wikipedia as a source of information by providing an opportunity to explore the encyclopedia, understand its behind-the-scenes processes and policies, and leverage its use to foster media and information literacy skills

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- ▶ It is no secret that while teachers often use Wikipedia for their own research, they discourage students from using it in the classroom. This comes from an incorrect assumption that, because anyone can edit the website, the bulk of information on Wikipedia is unreliable. The result is a missed opportunity to use Wikipedia to help students understand how information is produced, what makes it reliable, and how to evaluate information they find online. By teaching students about Wikipedia and equipping them to use it appropriately, teachers can put the world's knowledge at their students' fingertips.