

Education Delays Work

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For more detail, read *Culture and the mysterious agent changing it*, and *Learning as it influences the 21st century*.

Megatrend Quotes:

“Why were teenagers old enough to work eight hundred years ago, but not today?” (*Culture*, pg. 49)

“Rather than preparing employable young minds, the school system suggests college, thereby delaying employment further into adulthood...” (*Learning*, pg. 209)

“The point at which someone is mature has varied. At eighteen, someone that cannot feed and shelter himself may be biologically mature but psychologically immature.” (*Culture*, pg. 138)

“Work for a teenager should be considered a valuable opportunity, not a task or school assignment. Where is the urgency today when adults who have never worked are still attending university in their mid-twenties?” (*Culture*, pg. 236)

“If college looks easier than working between age eighteen and twenty-five, they go to college.” (*Learning*, pg. 211)

“Have you considered that many children do not have to work before they graduate from college? Education changed culture.” (*Culture*, pg. 250)

“Most teachers today are from the generation that were born into a higher standard of living than their parents, and think menial work (like their parents had to do) is below them. Work, they reason, is for minions. After seventeen to twenty years in the school system, a university degree is now mistakenly thought to be a relief from work.” (*Learning*, pg. 215)