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Title: Democracy and Education. Author: John Dewey. Release Date: July 26, 2008 [EBook #852] Last Updated: August 1, 2015. Language: English. Character set encoding: ASCII \*\*\*.Â Education may be conceived either retrospectively. Chapter Seven: The Democratic Conception in Education. Summary. Since education is a social process, and there are many kinds.Â When we see a book called the Life of Lincoln we do not expect to find within its covers a treatise on physiology. We look for an account of social antecedents; a description of early surroundings, of the conditions and occupation of the family; of the chief episodes in the development of character; of signal struggles and achievements; of the individual's hopes, tastes, joys and sufferings. Democracy and Education, originally published in 1916, is his landmark work in the field and an ongoing source of influence and inspiration. Dewey blends his philosophical pragmatism and his progressive pedagogical ideas to define the social role of education and its significance as preparation for citizenship in a progressive democratic society.Â The primary ineluctable facts of the birth and death of each one of the constituent members in a social group determine the necessity of education. The most notable distinction between living and inanimate beings is that the former maintain themselves by renewal. Life is a self-renewing process through action upon the environment. Show more. Book Preview. Democracy and Education - John Dewey. INDEX. A book or a letter may institute a more intimate association between human beings separated thousands of miles from each other than exists between dwellers under the same roof. Individuals do not even compose a social group because they all work for a common end. The parts of a machine work with a maximum of cooperativeness for a common result, but they do not form a community.Â There is a high correlation between democracy and education in countries around the world, but correlation does not equal causation. Nonetheless, these associations are enough to see the value of education in defending the democratic process.