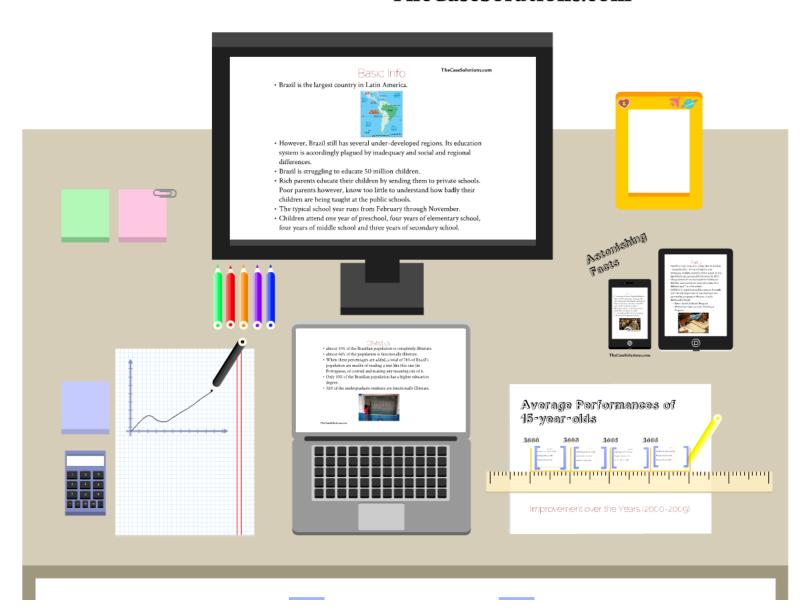
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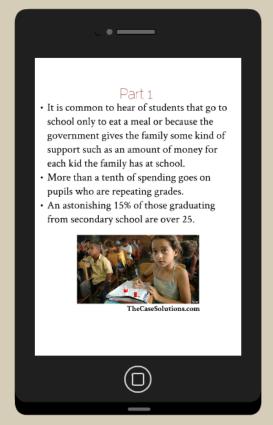
Statistics

- almost 10% of the Brazilian population is completely illiterate.
- almost 68% of the population is functionally illiterate.
- When these percentages are added, a total of 78% of Brazil's population are unable of reading a text like this one (in Portuguese, of course) and making any meaning out of it.
- Only 10% of the Brazilian population has a higher education degree.
- 32% of the undergraduate students are functionally illiterate.





Astonishing Facts



Part 2

- Brazil has high chances to ensure that all children

 especially girls living in hardship and
 belonging to ethnic minorities have access to free, mandatory and good quality education by 2015.
- The government has increased the facilities for children, and parents are required to keep their children ages 7 to 14 in school.
- UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) has developed two partnership programs in the area of early childhood in Brazil:
 - · Better Early Childhood Program
 - Millennium Fund for Early Childhood Program





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Part 1

- It is common to hear of students that go to school only to eat a meal or because the government gives the family some kind of support such as an amount of money for each kid the family has at school.
- More than a tenth of spending goes on pupils who are repeating grades.
- An astonishing 15% of those graduating from secondary school are over 25.



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