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Summary

The essay “Free Schools” by DeWitt Clinton, Clinton stresses the importance of education. He makes the comparison between Europe and America I regards to the lack of education for the poor and also describes how ignorance is the prolific parent of ever crime and vice. Clinton believes that by providing free education to the poor you can possibly eliminate the vicious cycle of the crime life. Clinton quotes with “Man differs more man, than man from beast” to show the contrast between an educated person and person with extreme ignorance. The use of this quote paints a picture as to how important education is to one’s life and society. Clinton does a superb job on showing how free education can positively benefit everyone.