

EXPLORING THE WORLD OF GENERATION ALPHA, THE LEARNERS THAT HOLD OUR FUTURE

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Generation Alpha, young people born after 2010, this newest generation is the successor of Generation Z and the first generation to be born entirely in the 21st century. This generation is also known as the Internet Generation or the iGeneration, they are seen as the new era of technology, innovation, and development.

Generation Alpha is born in a world where internet and technology are the norm, not a privilege that they could have. This led them to be recognized as the most technologically savvy generation. They are the most connected generation of all time, they have access to nearly limitless resources through the internet using just their fingertips, making them more curious and able to learn many things at a young age even without the help of the adults. They are changing the way we interact with technology and each other. These children are aware and comfortable in variety of social media platforms, allowing them to communicate and connect with other people across the globe in ways that previous generations could not.

Another unique characteristic of the Generation Alpha is being environmentally conscious citizens. This can be attributed from their innate connection to technology which allows them to be more aware to what is happening in their surroundings. They are growing up in a world ravaged by climate change, and they are witnessing the consequences of the actions of the previous generations firsthand. Generation Alpha is raised and surrounded by adults who are mindful of the dire state of our environment and who are finding a way to take actions to reduce humanity's environmental footprint.

This has made the Generation Alpha sensible of their personal responsibility to help reduce their own environmental impact.

Generation Alpha has the potential to be the most influential generation of our time. In contrast to what the previous generations experienced, where their right to express their opinion and desires was limited, our world has changed and become more lenient in accepting people's opinions and ideas, which gives the Generation Alpha the power to create positive, lasting change that will benefit both the present and the future.

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