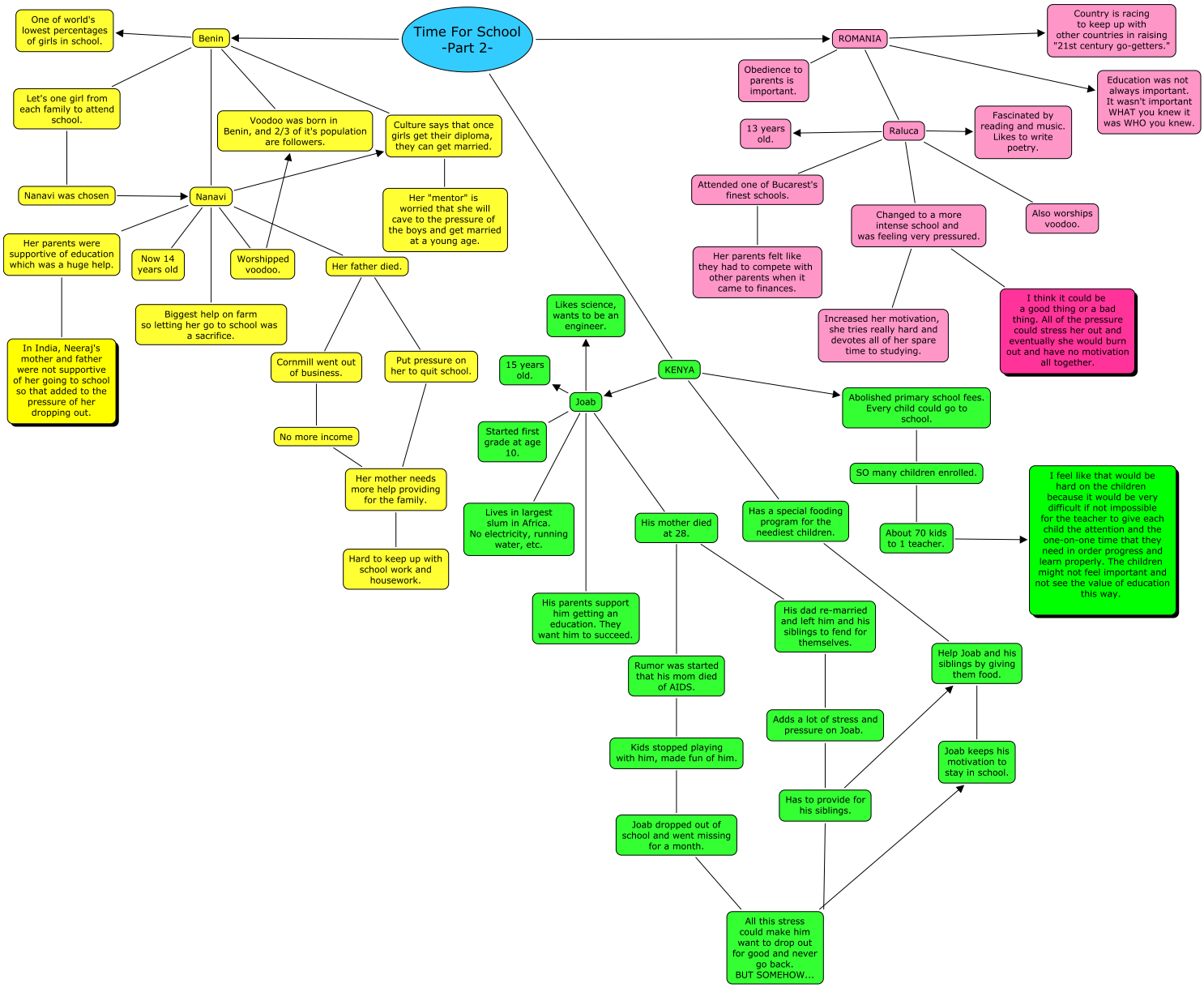
Time For School
-Part 2-
Benin
One of world's lowest percentages of girls in school.
Let's one girl from each family to attend school.
Nanavi was chosen
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Voodoo was born in Benin, and 2/3 of it's population are followers.
Culture says that once girls get their diploma, they can get married.
Her "mentor" is worried that she will cave to the pressure of the boys and get married at a young age.
Her parents were supportive of education which was a huge help.
Now 14 years old
Worshipped voodoo.
Her father died.
Biggest help on farm so letting her go to school was a sacrifice.
In India, Neeraj's mother and father were not supportive of her going to school so that added to the pressure of her dropping out.
Cornmill went out of business.
Put pressure on her to quit school.
No more income
Her mother needs more help providing for the family.
Hard to keep up with school work and housework.
ROMANIA
Country is racing to keep up with other countries in raising "21st century go-getters."
Obedience to parents is important.
Education was not always important. It wasn't important WHAT you knew it was WHO you knew.
13 years old.
Raluca
Fascinated by reading and music. Likes to write poetry.
Attended one of Bucarest's finest schools.
Changed to a more intense school and was feeling very pressured.
Also worships voodoo.
Her parents felt like they had to compete with other parents when it came to finances.
Increased her motivation, she tries really hard and devotes all of her spare time to studying.
I think it could be a good thing or a bad thing. All of the pressure could stress her out and eventually she would burn out and have no motivation all together.
KENYA
Likes science, wants to be an engineer.
15 years old.
Joab
Started first grade at age 10.
Lives in largest slum in Africa. No electricity, running water, etc.
His parents support him getting an education. They want him to succeed.
His mother died at 28.
Rumor was started that his mom died of AIDS.
Kids stopped playing with him, made fun of him.
Joab dropped out of school and went missing for a month.
Abolished primary school fees. Every child could go to school.
SO many children enrolled.
About 70 kids to 1 teacher.
I feel like that would be hard on the children because it would be very difficult if not impossible for the teacher to give each child the attention and the one-on-one time that they need in order progress and learn properly. The children might not feel important and not see the value of education this way.
Has a special fooding program for the neediest children.
His dad re-married and left him and his siblings to fend for themselves.
Adds a lot of stress and pressure on Joab.
Has to provide for his siblings.
Help Joab and his siblings by giving them food.
Joab keeps his motivation to stay in school.
All this stress could make him want to drop out for good and never go back.
BUT SOMEHOW...