

ADULT LITERACY: THE NIGERIAN PERSPECTIVE

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ABSTRACT

This paper tries to uncover the history of adult literacy from 11th century to date. It straightens the records and puts the date in order. Various efforts made by Nigerian government to develop and promote adult literacy were discussed. Approaches to literacy teaching and factors that may promote adult literacy were highlighted. The benefits of adult literacy education to its recipients were also emphasized. The paper concludes by recommending the creation of the ministry of Adult Education both at the Federal and State levels in Nigeria to ensure proper growth and development of adult literacy education in Nigeria.

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