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Hey, just wanted to say that there are a couple debates about having children and overpopulation, thought you might wanna know. I'm admin on [www.kialo.com](#) and there is also [www.kialo.com](#). Ah, and [www.kialo.com](#) (where I'm also admin) has a couple of theses about having children (or not) as a way to battle overpopulation. Happy to invite you to the ones I admin :)

@them Thanks, but I'll think about it (and get back to you later). I looked at each of them and thought about linking them to this one, but this idea was too different to not create a discussion out of. Maybe we should link each other's discussions in each other to show their similarities, while allowing them to continue to exist with their uniqueness? I'd love to add this discussion underneath [www.kialo.com](#), but I would like to get this discussion hashed out before transferring it there. I could add a lot about that process in the intro, so people know. Then it would be nice for me to admin, as I'll have a better idea then.

Sure, no hurry :)

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Pros	Cons
<p>People have a responsibility to contribute to society and having children when overpopulation exists conflicts with that.</p> <p>Children grow up with a lower quality-of-life with overpopulation.</p>	<p>Debating whether kids when overpopulation exists does not matter much when outlets to decrease population when it gets too high exist, like space colonization.</p> <p>When problems exist, people may find ways to innovate (as curiosity and survival are part of human nature). So making a tough situation even tougher through having kids will create the struggle and time crunch needed to spur innovation.</p> <p>Deciding not to have children due to feeling guilty about it might be detrimental, depending on where they live, especially in countries that still rely on children being born to keep stable and productive.</p> <p>There is strength in numbers. The more people that have children, the more minds that can think about and resolve the issues that overpopulation causes.</p> <p>Taking action can be overdone and cause the opposite issue where if everyone adopted instead of procreating, after 18 years there would be no more children left in the world, and a generation or two after that the human species would extinct.</p>

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