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MDG 2 – Achieve universal primary educationEnsure that, by 2015, children everywhere, boys and girls alike, will be able to complete a full course of primary schooling.	803
MDG 3 – Promote gender equality and empower womenEliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education, preferably by 2005, and in all levels of education no later than 2015.	804
MDG 4 – Reduce child mortalityReduce by two-thirds, between 1990 and 2015, the under-five mortality rate.	805
MDG 5 – Improve maternal healthReduce by three-quarters, between 1990 and 2015, the maternal mortality ratio.	805
MDG 6 – Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseasesHave halted by 2015 and begun to reverse the spread of HIV/AIDS, the incidence of malaria and other major diseases.	806
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