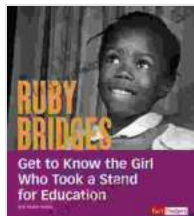


# Meet Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education



## Ruby Bridges: Get to Know the Girl Who Took a Stand for Education (People You Should Know)

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Malala Yousafzai is a Pakistani activist for female education and Nobel Peace Prize laureate. She is known for her outspoken advocacy for the rights of girls and women, especially in the Swat Valley of Pakistan, where she was born and raised.

Malala was born on July 12, 1997, in Mingora, Swat Valley, Pakistan. Her father, Ziauddin Yousafzai, was a schoolteacher and education activist. Her mother, Tor Pekai Yousafzai, was a housewife. Malala has two younger brothers, Khushal and Atal.

Malala grew up in a conservative society where girls were often denied an education. However, her father believed that girls had the same right to

education as boys. He enrolled Malala in school at a young age, and she quickly excelled in her studies.

In 2007, the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley. The Taliban are a fundamentalist Islamic group that opposes the education of girls. They closed down schools and threatened to kill anyone who defied them.

Malala refused to be silenced. She continued to speak out for the rights of girls to education. In 2012, she was shot in the head by a Taliban gunman. She survived the attack and continued to advocate for education.

In 2014, Malala was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for her work. She is the youngest person to ever receive the award.

Malala's story is an inspiration to girls and women around the world. She has shown that even the smallest voice can make a difference. She is a true champion of education and a role model for us all.

### **Timeline of Malala's Life**

- **1997:** Malala Yousafzai is born in Mingora, Swat Valley, Pakistan.
- **2007:** The Taliban take control of the Swat Valley and close down schools.
- **2009:** Malala begins writing a blog for the BBC about her life under the Taliban.
- **2012:** Malala is shot in the head by a Taliban gunman.
- **2013:** Malala publishes her memoir, *I Am Malala*.
- **2014:** Malala is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

- **2015:** Malala establishes the Malala Fund, a non-profit organization that supports education for girls.

## Awards and Recognition

Malala Yousafzai has received numerous awards and recognition for her work, including:

- Nobel Peace Prize (2014)
- Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought (2013)
- Time Person of the Year (2012)
- National Malala Peace Prize (2011)

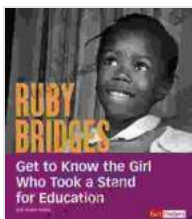
## Legacy

Malala Yousafzai is a powerful advocate for education and a role model for girls and women around the world. Her story has inspired countless people and helped to raise awareness of the importance of education for all.

Malala's legacy will continue to inspire generations to come. She is a true champion of education and a symbol of hope for a better future.

## Additional Resources

\* Malala Fund \* UNICEF Malala \* Nobel Peace Prize



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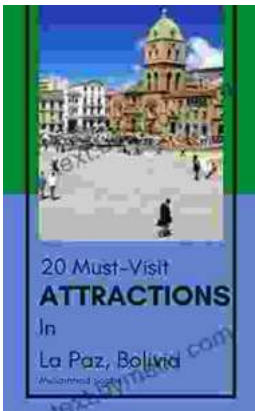
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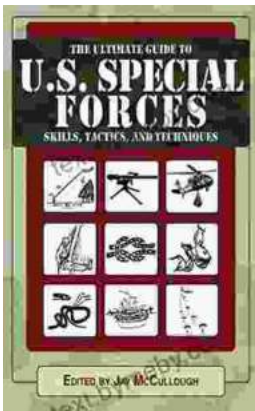
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