



# Children Change Makers

## Cross Curricular Exploration

2nd - 5th  
Grade



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## Meet Malala Yousafzai



Explore Pakistan here.

There were severe punishments for anyone who disobeyed, but this did not stop Malala or her father. Mala spoke out about her right to an education. She spoke on the radio. She defied the Taliban's orders. The Taliban went after Malala. She was hurt and needed to leave her country. People around the world sent their wishes for her recovery.

Malala Yousafzai was born in Mingora, Pakistan, on July 12, 1997. Girls in Pakistan did not have equal rights. Her father, Ziauddin Yousafzai, was determined to give his daughter opportunities. Ziauddin was a teacher who ran a girls' school. The Yousafzai's valued education and Malala loved school.

But things changed when the [Taliban](#) took control. Many liberties and rights were taken away. Citizens were no longer allowed to own a television or play music. Girls could no longer go to school.







## Read Aloud



What is Malala's challenge?

What steps does Mala take to overcome the challenge?

What does this tell us about Malala's character?



## Malala Fund

Learn more about Malala's mission.

What is the goal of the Malala Fund?

How is the Malala Fund working towards change?

What does Malala believe?



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## Quote Reflection

Read this quote. Write a response about what this quote means to Malala.  
on how you can apply this to your own life.

*"One child, one  
teacher, one  
book, one pen can  
change the  
world."*







### Where is Kid President now?

Robby took a break for a few years. Now he is a teenager!

Robby and Brad continue help children. They listen to inspiring children everywhere. In 2019, they launched their new travel show called *Are We There Yet?* In this series, Brad and Robby travel to a new place in the United States to meet a kid who is making a difference. Robby also published his own inspirational book for adults.

While Robby may not be Kid President for much longer, one thing is for sure: Robby and Brad are making their mark on the world.

*"I believe kids can change the world. I also believe grown ups can change the world. It just takes all of us working together."* - Brad Montague



## Meet Robby Novak

Robby Novak, or Kid President, was born on January 26, 2004 in Henderson, Tennessee. He grew up with his adoptive parents and sister. Robby was born with a disease that makes his bones brittle. He has had more than 70 broken bones and 13 surgeries. He has steel rods in both legs. Robby's medical challenges never stopped him. Robby and his brother-in-law, Brad Montague, started creating YouTube videos. These videos began in 2012, when Robby was eight-years-old. The purpose was to show that kids could have a voice. Brad and Robby wanted to help change the way kids saw the world, and the way the world saw kids. He became a media personality.



The Kid President videos have been viewed over 12 million times. His positive energy and attitude have uplifted millions. Robby and Brad traveled to the White House to meet the real president, Barack Obama. He has met other celebrities and been on numerous television shows. SoulPancake picked up the series of Kid President videos.

Scan the QR code to learn about the story of the Kid President.



watch the  
see who  
and Brad  
to today



# Meet William Kamkwamba

William Kamkwamba is the author of *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*. He was born in Kasungu, Malawi. He grew up very poor. William always loved to learn. William attended school, where he especially enjoyed reading in the library. When a famine hit his town, his family was forced to choose between having money for food or having money to send him to school. William had to leave school, but this did not stop him from learning. William continued to learn and discovered his passion for electronics.

William wanted to use his knowledge of electronics to help his very poor village. No one had electricity and many families were getting sick. He created a windmill that would go on for years after his creations at home.



## Read Aloud

Scan the QR code to watch a video read aloud of "The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind" by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer. Then answer the questions.



What is William's challenge?

What steps does William take to overcome the challenge?

What do you think about William's character?



# Take Action

Watch this video on how you can be a changemaker.



1. **Be Inspired:** What is an issue or topic you care about?

Four horizontal lines for writing the answer to the first question.

2. **Get Informed:** Research your topic. Jot some note below.

Five horizontal lines for writing notes, with a hand holding a yellow crayon positioned over the first line.



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