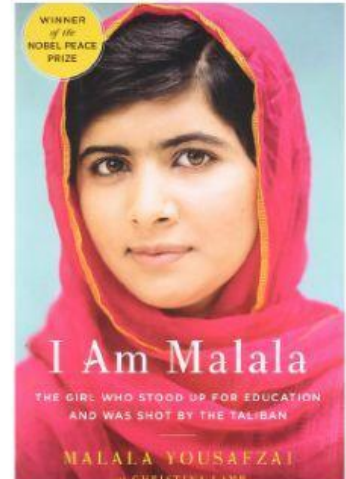


Reading comprehension U6

THE YOUNGEST NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER

Today, Malala Yousafzai is well-known all over the world. She has fought hard to make sure that girls can get access to education. She firmly believes that all girls have the right to be educated and she speaks out on their behalf.

Malala was born in Mingora, Pakistan in 1997. She was born into a culture where boys were educated but girls were not. However, Malala's father was a teacher and the director of a school for girls in Mingora. He gave her every opportunity that a boy would have. She was therefore able to have the same kind of education that boys had. Malala realised from a very young age that she had to do something to change the way girls were treated. In 2009, she began a blog where she wrote about growing up in a society where girls weren't equal to boys.



Then in 2012, Malala's life changed forever. On her way home from school, she was shot by someone who was against her activism. She woke up ten days later in a hospital in the UK. After many months in hospital and a number of operations, Malala was able to join her family in their new home in the UK. Luckily, for girls worldwide, Malala realized that her experience was a wake-up call. She knew that she had to take action and fight for equality in education globally. She set up the Malala Fund in order to help millions of girls who don't have access to learning. The fund provides money for girls who otherwise might not be able to continue their education. Her goal is to build a world where all girls can have a good education.

In 2014, at the age of 17, she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, along with Kailash Satyarthi, an Indian children's rights activist. Malala was the youngest girl to have ever received the award. In January 2019, Malala took part in the #10YearChallenge and shared her picture from ten years ago when she was 11. The challenge gave Malala the opportunity to look back at how different her life was. The young girl from the small village in Pakistan was now an Oxford University student who was fulfilling her life's purpose: to make education available to everyone!

Write true T or false F

1. Malala grew up in a culture where where boys and girls are educated. ☐
2. Malala's father wanted her to be treated equally to boys. ☐
3. When Malala was 15, she was injured in a car accident. ☐
4. When she got out of hospital, Malala was determined to achieve her goals in life ☐
5. The Malala Fund helps boys who have no access to education. ☐
6. Malala's purpose in life is to graduate from university. ☐