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Malala Yousafzai is known for promoting education as a basic right, especially education for women and children. The young Pakistani activist became world famous after she was attacked by a Taliban militant because she expressed support for the education of girls. She has since won awards for her human rights work. In 2014, at the age of 17, she was the youngest person to win the Nobel Peace Prize. She shared the 2014 prize with a child rights campaigner from India. Malala has authored books, and many have been written about her.

Malala has come a long way since her childhood in rural Pakistan. In the year 2007, the influence of the Taliban was growing in Pakistan's Swat Valley. Malala's father owned a school there and supported her writing about life under the Taliban for a British website. Schools for girls were closed, but Malala continued to write and speak publicly about the importance of education for all children, especially girls.

Her life changed forever in 2012, when she was 15 years old. On a ride home from school, a Taliban gunman boarded her bus. He shot Malala and two of her friends. They survived, but Malala's wounds were severe. She was taken to a hospital in Birmingham, England. There, she recovered from a wound to her head and fortunately had no lasting injury to her brain.

Less than a year later, when she turned 16, Malala was at the United Nations in New York, speaking out for education. In her book "Malala Youzafzai, Warrior with Words," writer Karen Leggett Abouraya describes the speech as a turning point.

"And there she was in front of the United Nations. It was a group of young people, and she was speaking on her birthday. 'We will bring change through our voice,' she said. She asked every nation to make it possible for all children to go to school and live in peace. 'Our words can change the world.'"

Jenni L. Walsh, author of the book "She Dared—Malala Yousafzai," continues the story. "Malala wondered out loud: 'How can they stop more than 50,000 girls from going to school in the 21st century?"

Today, Malala Yousafzai is studying philosophy, politics, and economics at the University of Oxford. She says she fights every day so that all girls will receive 12 years of free, safe, and quality education.

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