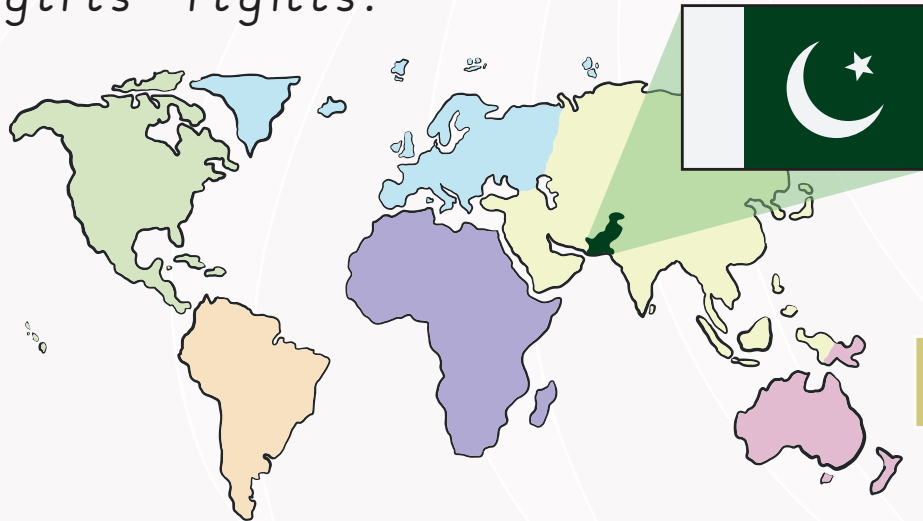


# MALALA YOUSAFZAI

## INFORMATION TEXT

Malala Yousafzai is from Pakistan in South Asia. She is famous for standing up for girls' rights.



1997-Present

Her father owned a school and helped to teach children, so Malala loved education.

The Taliban, an extreme group, were in Pakistan. They banned television, music and no one could go to the cinema. The Taliban didn't like girls aged over 10 going to school. In fact, they destroyed around 400 schools in Pakistan.

Today up to 56% of girls still do not go to school.

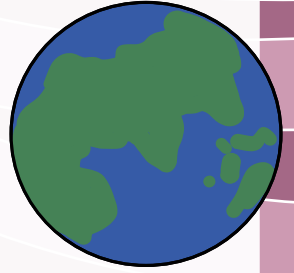
Malala was very frightened and was even forced to leave her home to seek safety.

When Malala was 11 years old, she wrote an anonymous diary about what life was like living under the rule of the Taliban.

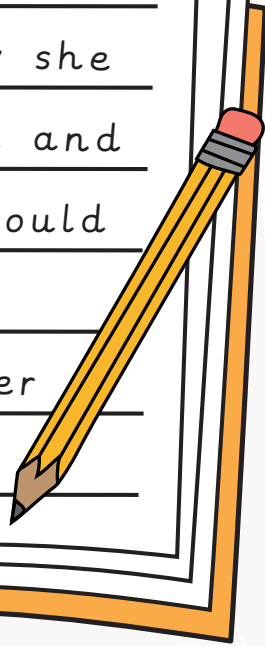


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In her diary, Malala wrote about how she wanted to learn and how all girls should be able to go to school, no matter their age.



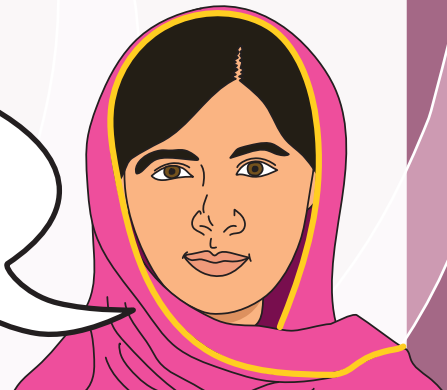
Lots of people from across the world read her diary. The Taliban didn't like this at all and in 2012 they tried to kill her when she was on the bus going home after school.

Malala was shot and came to the UK to have treatment to help her get better. Her

family now live in Birmingham and Malala went to school there.

Malala set up a special fund called the Malala Fund to help girls from all around the world to be able to go to school. She thinks every child has the right to learn.

In 2013, I gave a speech at the United Nations, where leaders from most countries around the world meet. I spoke about the importance of education.



In 2014 Malala won the Nobel Peace Prize which is given to people who do amazing things to help people around the world. Malala still continues her work today.

# MALALA YOUSAFZAI

## COMPREHENSION



1. What is Malala Yousafzai famous for?

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2. What are the extreme group called who were in Pakistan?

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3. Tick all the ones that are true.

The Taliban  
banned

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television

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music

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books

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cinema

4. How many schools did the Taliban destroy?

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5. Why did the Taliban try to kill Malala?  
Tick one.

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| She wrote a diary about her life under the rule of the Taliban. |  |
| She wrote about her Malala Fund.                                |  |
| She wanted to listen to music.                                  |  |

6. What prize did Malala win for being helpful?

