

TITLE: I am Malala

AUTHOR: Malala Yousafzai

CATEGORY/GENRE: Autobiography

SERIES: No

AWARDS: Co-recipient Nobel Peace Prize 2014, 20 Best Nonfiction Books 2013, 2013 Specsavers National Book Award for Popular Non-Fiction Book of the Year, Good Reads 2013 Best Memoir and Autobiography, Finalist of the Political Book of the Year in 2014, 2015 Grammy Award for Best Children's Album of the Year

SIMILAR BOOKS BY OTHER AUTHORS: *Long Walk to Freedom* by Nelson Mandela; *Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank; *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand

AVAILABLE: STC Library: book; SEO Libraries Interlibrary Loan: book and book on CD; Libby: eBook and audiobook; Hoopla: eBook

ABOUT THIS BOOK: *I Am Malala* is the story of a young girl who wants to be remembered as the girl who fought for education for all girls and not as the girl who got shot. She was born to a Pashtun family in the Swat Valley of Pakistan where girls are thought to be inferior. Regardless, her father, Ziauddin, was thrilled when she was born. She was his firstborn, and he named her after Malalai of Maiwanda, who died in a battle for freedom and independence with the British Army. Her father also fought for his education, and Malala grew up with that value ingrained in her. According to Malala, her valley was the most beautiful in the world despite the poverty and clashes within the government. At one point, she and her family were displaced people and had to leave the valley due to the Taliban and military clashes with the army. Join her on this journey as she navigates to stay true to her and her father's mission. Their battle is still ongoing today.

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