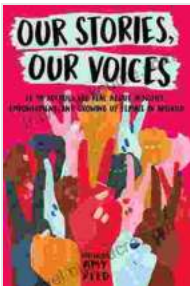


21 YA Authors Get Real About Injustice, Empowerment, and Growing Up Female

In honor of International Women's Day, we asked 21 YA authors to share their thoughts on injustice, empowerment, and what it means to grow up female in today's world.

Here's what they had to say:



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“Injustice is anything that prevents someone from reaching their full potential. It can be something as obvious as discrimination or violence, or it can be something more subtle, like the way society often devalues women's voices and experiences.”

-Angie Thomas, author of The Hate U Give



“Empowerment is the ability to make choices and take control of your own life. It's about having the power to make decisions about your body, your education, your career, and your relationships.”

-Ibi Zoboi, author of American Street



“Growing up female in today's world is both a challenge and an opportunity. We face a lot of challenges, but we also have the opportunity to make a difference in the world. We can use our voices to speak out against injustice, and we can use our power to create a more just and equitable world.”

-Jacqueline Woodson, author of Brown Girl Dreaming

These are just a few of the many voices that are speaking out for justice and empowerment for girls and women around the world. On International Women's Day, we celebrate the progress that has been made, and we recommit ourselves to the work that still needs to be done.

Here are some specific ways that you can help to make a difference:

* **Educate yourself about the issues that girls and women face.** The more you know, the more you can do to help. * **Speak out against

injustice.** Don't be afraid to use your voice to speak out against discrimination, violence, and other forms of injustice. * **Support girls and women in your community.** There are many ways to do this, such as volunteering your time, donating to organizations that support girls and women, or simply being a friend and ally. * **Be a role model for other girls and women.** Show them that it's possible to be strong, independent, and successful.

Together, we can create a world where all girls and women have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

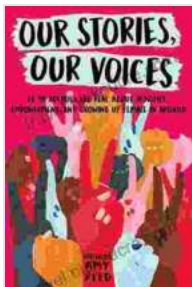
In addition to the quotes above, we also asked our authors to share some of their favorite books by other women authors. Here are their recommendations:

- *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
- *Beloved* by Toni Morrison
- *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker
- *The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
- *Sister Outsider* by Audre Lorde
- *This Bridge Called My Back* edited by Cherrie Moraga and Gloria Anzaldúa
- *Women, Race, & Class* by Angela Davis
- *Bad Feminist* by Roxane Gay

- *We Should All Be Feminists* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

These are just a few of the many great books by women authors that can help us to better understand the experiences of girls and women around the world.

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