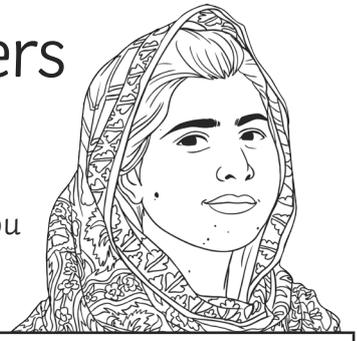


Hot Seating Questions and Answers

Malala Yousafzai



Use the Malala Yousafzai Fact File and any other research you can to help you prepare for the “hot seating” task.

Questions:	Answers:	Extra Information
Who are you?		
Where are you from?		
When did you take part in things that helped to change society for the better?	<p>I spoke out about my fears that the Taliban would stop me and other girls from going to school; and ban TV and music. Even though my life was threatened for writing a blog on the BBC World Service site, I did not give up.</p> <p>Eventually, after I suffered an attack on my life, many people across the world listened to what was happening in Pakistan and a right to education petition was set up. Over two million people signed it. Then the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act was passed in Pakistan. Now, every child is given the chance to go to school.</p>	
What have you done that has made people admire you?	I think people admire my courage and dedication and determination to try and create a life that is fair and equal.	
What qualities do you think you have that helped you become successful?	I show empathy and determination. When I was shot and flown to another country to recover, I showed humility and was grateful for the chance to get better in a safe place.	

	In donating my prize money, it shows that I am altruistic.	
How might your actions affect people deeply and for a long time?	<p>Hopefully, through the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act being passed in Pakistan, every child will be given the chance to go to school.</p> <p>I also donated prize money of more than \$500,000 to build a secondary school for girls in Pakistan. This should allow them to gain an education.</p>	
What might life be like for certain groups of people today if you had not achieved your goals?	People should have freedom of speech. To be able to say, without discriminating against others, what they think. If I had not blogged, others may not have known about the lives of girls in Pakistan, and without that they would not have put pressure on the Government to make changes to education. Girls and women would not have been given the same education rights.	