

Malala Yousafzai



Pre-Reading

A. Warm-Up Questions

1. Who is the person in the picture?
2. What country is this person from?
3. Why is this person famous?

B. Vocabulary Preview

Match the words on the left with the correct meanings on the right.

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| _____ | 1. brave (<i>adjective</i>) | a) an act of violence |
| _____ | 2. politician (<i>noun</i>) | b) not or no longer in danger |
| _____ | 3. speech (<i>noun</i>) | c) a person who is active in politics (government policies) |
| _____ | 4. blog (<i>verb</i>) | d) to get onto a transport vehicle, such as a bus, plane, or train |
| _____ | 5. board (<i>verb</i>) | e) to send a bullet out of a gun |
| _____ | 6. shoot (<i>verb</i>) | f) to stay alive |
| _____ | 7. survive (<i>verb</i>) | g) to write and publish regular posts on the Internet |
| <u> a </u> | 8. attack (<i>noun</i>) | h) a place where very sick or injured people receive medical treatment |
| _____ | 9. hospital (<i>noun</i>) | i) a written message delivered by speaking to an audience |
| <u> b </u> | 10. safe (<i>adjective</i>) | j) strong in mind and soul, not afraid |

Reading

ABOUT MALALA

1. Malala Yousafzai is a **brave** girl from Pakistan. Her father ran a chain of schools in Swat Valley. Malala loved going to school in Swat. At first she wanted to be a doctor. Then she wanted to be a **politician**.
2. The Taliban took control of Swat in 2007. They didn't want girls and boys to go to school together. In fact, they didn't want any girls over ten years of age to go to school.
3. Malala went to school anyway. She also gave **speeches** about education rights and **blogged** about her life as a Pakistani schoolgirl. The Taliban destroyed many schools, but Malala stayed strong.
4. On October 9, 2012, a member of the Taliban **boarded** Malala's schoolbus. He **shot** Malala in the head. He also shot two of her classmates. All three girls **survived** the **attack**.
5. Doctors moved Malala to a safer **hospital** in England. When she got better, Malala wrote a book about her survival. She also gave a speech at the United Nations and won the Nobel Peace Prize.
6. Malala wants every girl to have an education. She hopes it will be safe to return to Swat Valley one day.



Writing

ABOUT ME

Finish the *About Me* sentences. Use your own personal information.

1. Malala is from Pakistan.

I am _____

2. Malala wants to be a politician.

I want to be/am _____

3. Malala is a brave schoolgirl.

I am _____

4. In 2014, Malala won the Nobel Peace Prize.

In _____, *I* _____

Comprehension

A. True, False, or Not Mentioned?

Read the statements below. If the statement is true, write T beside the sentence. If it is false, write F and correct the information in your notebook. If it is not mentioned, write NM.

- _____ 1. Malala moved to Swat Valley after the Taliban attack.
- _____ 2. Malala's father ran a chain of schools in Pakistan.
- _____ 3. The Taliban destroyed many schools in England.
- _____ 4. The Taliban shot Malala and three other schoolboys.
- _____ 5. Malala wrote a blog and a book about her survival.
- _____ 6. In 2014, Malala became the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.

B. Forming Questions

Work with a partner. Here are the answers. What are the questions?

1. _____

Malala is from Swat Valley in Pakistan.

2. _____

Malala wants to be a politician.

3. _____

Malala gives speeches about girls' rights to education.

4. _____

Malala hopes it will be safe to return to Swat Valley one day.

Vocabulary Review

A. Complete the Sentences

Circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

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| <p>1. The Taliban _____ schoolgirls on a bus.</p> <p>a) violence
b) attacked
c) shooting</p> | <p>3. It is not _____ for Malala to return to Swat Valley.</p> <p>a) save
b) same
c) safe</p> | <p>5. Malala got better in a _____ in England.</p> <p>a) hospital
b) school
c) doctor</p> |
| <p>2. Malala and her schoolmates _____ the shooting.</p> <p>a) survivor
b) survived
c) survival</p> | <p>4. Malala _____ for the BBC in 2009.</p> <p>a) blog
b) blogger
c) blogged</p> | <p>6. Politicians have to deliver _____ in public.</p> <p>a) speak
b) speeches
c) saying</p> |

B. Vocabulary Building

I AM MALALA

Malala wrote a book called *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban*. Use the information you learned on page 2 to answer these questions.

What words describe the author?
Use adjectives.

1. brave _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

What topics do you think Malala covers in her book?
Use nouns.

6. politics _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Listening

A. Gap Fill

Listen to a recording of this reading.

Fill in the gaps. Listen again and check your answers.

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B. Extra Practice

Do you want more listening practice? After you fill in the gaps in Part A, listen to the recording a few more times.

Underline all of the past tense verbs.