



# CHIMAMANDA NGOZI ADICHIE

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Born in 1977, Chimamanda is a Nigerian author and activist whose works include novels, nonfiction short stories, and poems. Her books are written with powerful messages regarding societal issues. She began writing when she was a little child and has since been named one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People. She is renowned for being a feminist and for having given voice to those of African descent residing in America and other nations.

She is now well-known in the literary world and has had a profound effect on her readers.

## Selected Quotations

- “The single story creates stereotypes, and the problem with stereotypes is not that they are untrue, but that they are incomplete. They make one story become the only story.”
- “Culture does not make people. People make culture. If it is true that the full humanity of women is not our culture, then we can and must make it our culture.”
- “If you don't understand, ask questions. If you're uncomfortable about asking questions, say you are uncomfortable about asking questions and then ask anyway. It's easy to tell when a question is coming from a good place. Then listen some more. Sometimes people just want to feel heard.”
- “I am angry. We should all be angry. Anger has a long history of bringing about positive change.”
- “The problem with gender is that it prescribes how we should be rather than recognizing how we are. Imagine how much happier we would be, how much freer to be our true individual selves, if we didn't have the weight of gender expectations.”

## Online Materials

- [Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie: The danger of a single story | TED - YouTube](#)
- [We should all be feminists | Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie | TEDxEuston - YouTube](#)
- [Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie | Women Deal With Double Standards | Men Need To Step Up - YouTube](#)
- [Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie talks feminism, #MeToo movement](#)

## Further Reading

- [IT IS OBSCENE: A TRUE REFLECTION IN THREE PARTS - Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie](#)
- [About - Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie](#)
- [Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie | The New Yorker](#)