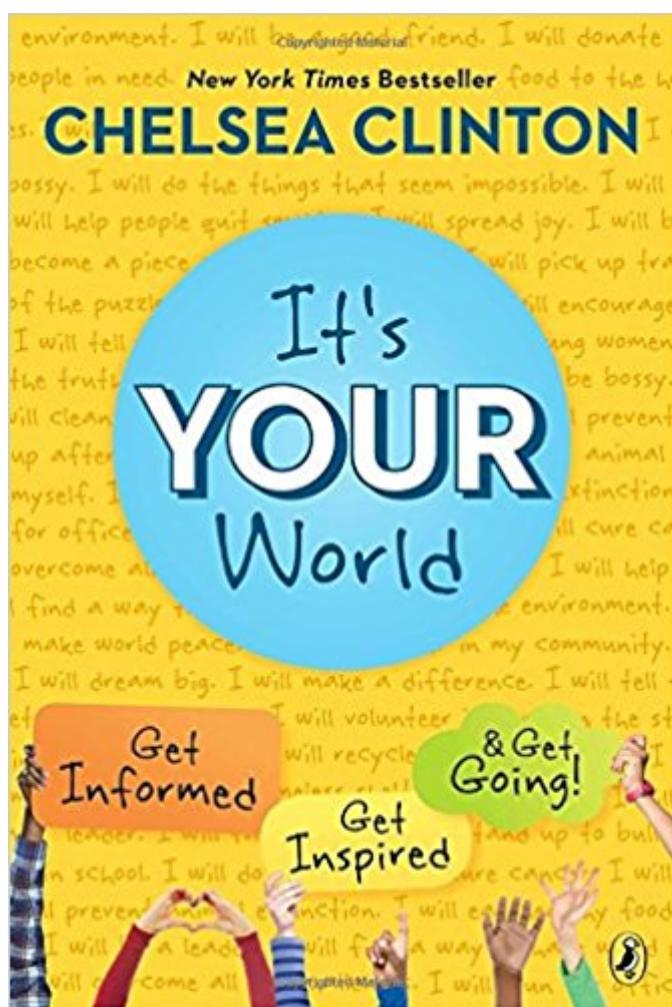


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# It's Your World: Get Informed, Get Inspired & Get Going!



## Synopsis

From the bestelling author of *She Persisted!* First daughter turned activist and mother Chelsea Clinton shows kids how they can make a difference in their world. Filled with charts, photos, and lots of input from real kids, this is sure to inspire young readers. With an eye toward empowering and inspiring kids, Chelsea Clinton explores some of the biggest challenges facing our world today. Using data, charts and stories she unpacks challenges related to Poverty, Climate Change, Gender Equality, Health, Endangered Species and talks about what's being done to make a difference in each area--particularly by kids and teenagers. With lots of suggestions and ideas for action, Chelsea Clinton shares her passion for helping others and shows readers that the world belongs to every single one of us, and every one of us counts--no matter how young. You can make a difference. You can make a change. It's your world. Contains new material from the author! Praise for *It's Your World*: "Clinton clearly paid attention to her parents' discussions at the dinner table, and she capably shares the lessons they imparted about the future impact of what we do in the present." --*Publishers Weekly* "[A] terrific resource for junior activists." --*Booklist* "This book is a resource for children and teens who also want to make a difference and may not know where to begin or may have an idea for ways they can make a difference." --*VOYA*

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## Customer Reviews

Gr 5-8 •This basic primer on social issues covers education; poverty, both in the United States and globally; women's rights; public health; and the environment. Taking an upbeat, positive approach, former First Daughter Clinton stresses the importance of being proactive and involved when it comes to current events. She includes many examples of children and teens who have made a difference, and each chapter ends with a list of concrete actions readers can take to "Get Going!" Relevant topics (the antivaccination movement, global warming, the wage gap) are broken down in accessible, if slightly dry, language; while comprehensible, the book occasionally veers into PSA territory. Though Clinton draws upon her own personal experiences in an attempt to make the text more relatable (her tone is that of a gentle and encouraging older sister), references to her more privileged background often feel slightly tone-deaf (for instance, in a section discussing how medical problems such as heart disease disproportionately affect people of color from low socioeconomic backgrounds, the author mentions the lifestyle changes that her father, former president Bill Clinton, made after undergoing bypass surgery). While the cheery yellow cover and chapter headings presented in bubble lettering suggest a younger audience, this is a fairly dense tome (the text is broken up by the occasional chart or serviceable black-and-white photograph) that may prove daunting for those seeking pleasure reading. However, the information is sound, useful, and timely, and each of the chapters would make for good stand-alone options for lesson plans or reports. VERDICT A solid addition to global studies or current events units or projects. •Mahnaz Dar, School Library Journal --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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Gave this to a teenager who couldn't put it down. Now she wants to help people!

Unlike most of the so-called reviewers, I actually read the book. The book is geared toward teens. I'm not the target market, but I like having ideas of gifts for that age group that don't involve tiny screens and earbuds. Ms. Clinton was able to take a lot of complex data about economic and social issues, break it down into plain English, and present it in a way that will engage teenagers. Her bias--and everyone has one--is a lot less apparent than many authors I've read. The information she presents is easy enough to find elsewhere if one wanted to wade through reams of verbose and bland reports. It's one of the few books on these topics out there for this age group that talks to them instead of at them. Her writing style was a little chatty for my tastes, but probably will appeal to teens. Her whole point is that teens should be informed participants of the world around them rather than just parroting some pundit's regurgitated talking points. (That point seems to have been lost on some adults who use product reviews to catcall--probably because they didn't read the book.)

Perfect!

Because this book is written to young people about issues that effect young people, and empowers them with stories about other young people in various cultures who got going and did something about it, it should be in every family, school, and youth group's library. Each chapter describes major policy questions for young people to ponder and presents some solutions that people their age have created to address the issues around the world. There are a lot of role models and heroes to inspire both boys and girls to discuss with their peers in youth groups, book clubs, and schools. And the book itself is a good model for motivating adults who are interested in public policy, mission organizations, and non-profits to get going also.

I bought this book looking for some civic engagement ideas for my students. I was recommended this book by a librarian who also works for our state Education Programs. I have only had the opportunity to skim through this book but so far, I have enjoyed what I have seen. Each chapter starts out addressing a problem such as poverty around the world - The author takes us through information about the problem, inspires us with how we could help resolve bits and pieces of the problem and motivates us by giving us a list of possible things that we can do to help alleviate the problem. I like that she never states that we are going to make the problem "go away." I've seen students get discouraged because they think they are going to make the problem disappear. I like

how it is expressed that we are a small part but that all the small parts make big changes. I like this aspect. I also like how she includes many issues that we can take care of right here in our own backyard. We can't or don't want to change world poverty - no problem - we can tackle poverty right here in our own neck of the woods. I like it - It's a good book. I intend to use one of her topics as my choice for civic engagement in my classroom: "Time for School." It's a great chapter about how there are many places where school is not a right - but a privilege. My students don't realize this. They think school is a burden but perhaps if they were helping someone who wants to go to school - but can't - it might help them realize the value of school. Who knows. I was inspired - maybe they will be as well.

Well written for student level readers and older adults who most CERTAINLY need to learn about the issues explained in this book.

Great book with very relevant topics for today's kids written by a hyper-intelligent woman. Shame on for allowing political- and religious-based reviews to be published.

I just started reading this book and honestly, being both an elementary teacher and an RN, I would recommend turning the book into a class both for elementary, middle school, and high school students plus and of course, a class that can be chosen for those pursuing their teaching degree. The book has held my attention from the first page! Chelsea Clinton is a valuable player in our society and hope we all see more of her contributions to the United States.

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