



[How I Resist: Activism and Hope for a New Generation](#) edited by Maureen Johnson

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*Age Range: 13-18 (Suggested by Publisher)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

An all-star collection of essays about activism and hope, edited by bestselling YA author Maureen Johnson.

Now, more than ever, young people are motivated to make a difference in a world they're bound to inherit. They're ready to stand up and be heard - but with much to shout about, where they do they begin? What can I do? How can I help?

How I Resist is the response, and a way to start the conversation. To show readers that they are not helpless, and that anyone can be the change. A collection of essays, songs, illustrations, and interviews about activism and hope, *How I Resist* features an all-star group of contributors, including, John Paul Brammer, Libba Bray, Lauren Duca, *Modern Family's* Jesse Tyler Ferguson and his husband Justin Mikita, Alex Gino, Hebh Jamal, Malinda Lo, Dylan Marron, *Hamilton* star Javier Muñoz, Rosie O'Donnell, Junauda Petrus, Jodi Picoult, Jason Reynolds, Karuna Riazzi, Maya Rupert, Dana Schwartz, Dan Sinker, Ali Stroker, Jonny Sun (aka @jonnysun), Sabaa Tahir, Shaina Taub, Daniel Watts, Jennifer Weiner, Jacqueline Woodson, and more, all edited and compiled by *New York Times* bestselling author Maureen Johnson.

In *How I Resist*, readers will find hope and support through voices that are at turns personal, funny, irreverent, and instructive. Not just for a young adult audience, this incredibly impactful collection will appeal to readers of all ages who are feeling adrift and looking for guidance.

How I Resist is the kind of book people will be discussing for years to come and a staple on bookshelves for generations.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"The world is a bit of a mess, but it's not always easy to figure out ways to help. Just in time for the midterm elections, *How I Resist* is a perfect activism guidebook, featuring essays, stories, songs, and more from celebrities and some of the biggest names in YA. Even in dark times, this anthology promotes hope, showing how individual voices and efforts can truly make a difference. " -- *Bustle*

"Candor and passion radiate from the 30 voices raised in this trenchant and timely compendium of interviews, essays, reflections, illustrations, and poems." -- [Publisher's Weekly](#)

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"[Maureen Johnson] has done an exceptional job calling on different voices to share their wisdom and thoughts on making a difference" -- [School Library Journal](#)

"This offers plenty of access points for teens looking for advice, catharsis, and/or motivation." -- The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books

"The Ultimate Resistance Guidebook." — *Bustle*

"This book will be a light in the darkness for some, and help guide them from despair."— *Booklist*

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- Entertainment Weekly: [Rosie O'Donnell, Jesse Tyler Ferguson, and others contribute to new anthology How I Resist](#)
- BookRiot: [\(Wh\)Y A\(n\) Anthology: On the Rise and Reach of YA Anthologies](#)

***A NOTE ON AGE RANGES**

A publisher-suggested age range covers the gamut of readers that publishers envision using the book, whether for independent reading, family sharing, group study, or in other ways. Educators have the best sense of the appropriate age range for the diverse learners they work with and understand these ranges vary depending on a book's intended use.

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