



## Lesson 6: Taking Creative Action

***“How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.”***

**- Anne Frank**



Now that you’ve gained a greater understanding about the issues that relate to refugees, migrants, and asylum seekers you are likely to be anxious to channel your knowledge and energy into doing something with your new knowledge to enact positive change. Be a creative activist! Think about your special skills and use those skills to advocate, volunteer, or fundraise. As Anne Frank said, there’s no need to wait!

Visit [Rock Your Rights](#) to learn more about how young people are using their talents to shine a light on causes they care about.

Clementine, one of our featured Youth Activists on Rock Your Rights is an artist. She decided to make stickers promoting understanding and acceptance then donated the proceeds to Black Lives Matter.



Here's another great example of creative activism being practiced by Lual Mayen a video game developer based in Washington D.C., and a former child refugee from Sudan:

[New Video Game Puts You In The Shoes Of A Refugee : Goats and Soda](#)

[This video game takes you inside the life of a refugee](#)

We also love the book *Everyday Ubuntu* by Mungi Ngome, the granddaughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu. and a wonderful example of a creative activist at work. Mungi began to take action simply by speaking up about injustices that she observed when she was younger and eventually her desire to champion kindness was channeled into her writing.



You can also begin to learn more about steps to being a creative activist using the [Rock Your World Toolkit](#).

Be sure to share your work with us so we can amplify your voice and so that you can be an inspiration for other creative activists! You can submit your art, poetry, music, dance, etc. at [www.rock-your-rights.org](http://www.rock-your-rights.org).

Looking for other ways you can help? The International Rescue Committee has a comprehensive list of things you can do right now.

[How to help refugees in the United States: 12 ways to stand for welcome](#)

### **Additional Resources:**

#### ***Non- iction Books:***

We Are Displaced: My Journey and Stories from Refugees Around the World by Malala Youssafzai  
A Hope More Powerful than the Sea by Melissa Fleming  
Outcasts United by Warren St. John

#### ***Young Adult Historical Fiction Books:***

Something about America by Maria Testa  
Refugee by Alan Gratz

#### ***Teaching Resources:***

[RYW Curriculum for Teachers](#)  
[The UN Refugee Agency's teaching materials](#)  
[8 educational resources to better understand the refugee crisis](#)