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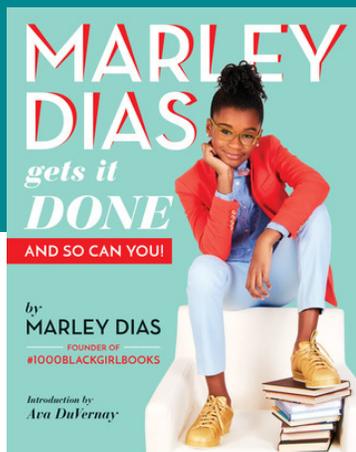
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Book Review

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Marley Dias shares her lessons learned in social activism, having created her own platform to put more books featuring black, female protagonists into the hands of students nationwide. This modern, brightly colored motivational book is a vibrant mix between an autobiography, a self-help book, and an advice column. Reading almost as a magazine article, the cute pull-out quotes, personal photographs, sidebar briefs, and even interruptions of with stories embedded between pages of narration, appeal to the intermediate reader with their abundant visual interest. Throughout the book, Marley gives advice on steps to become an activist as she chronicles her own experience and shares additional details about her life and background.

The book is interesting, inclusive, and contemporary. In her discussion of social media platforms and protest safety, Marley gives helpful information for the young reader identifying injustices in their personal sphere of influence. While Marley states that this book is meant for people of all ages and walks of life, since the text is decidedly voiced by this very young girl, her vernacular still characterizes the book as best suited for the young female activist. Marley shares current advice for what modern activism entails and how to get started in your efforts for change. Altogether, this is a very fun and informative read and a great toolbox to help children become part of important discussions.

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Rating

Excellent

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