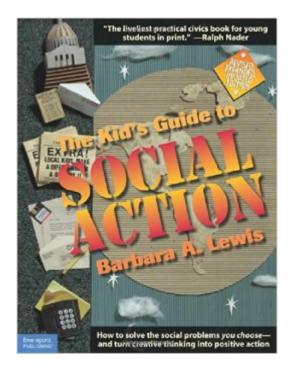
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# The Kid's Guide To Social Action: How To Solve The Social Problems You Choose-And Turn Creative Thinking Into Positive Action





## Synopsis

Inspire kids to choose the social causes they care about and take action themselves. Compelling, empowering, and packed with information, The Kidâ <sup>™</sup>s Guide to Social Action is the ultimate guide for kids who want to make a difference in the world. First published in 1991, this book has helped thousands of young people get involved, get noticed, and get results. It has won awards from Parenting Magazine (â œOutstanding Childrenâ <sup>™</sup>s Book, Reading-Magic Awardsâ •) and the American Library Association (â œBest of the Best for Childrenâ •). And now itâ <sup>™</sup>s even better. ⠢ Â Step-by-step instructions show how to write letters, do interviews, make speeches, take surveys, raise funds, get media coverage, and more ⠢ Â Real stories about real kids who are doing great things let readers know theyâ <sup>™</sup>re not too young to solve problems in their neighborhood, community, and nation ⠢ Â 25 reproducible forms make it easy to circulate petitions, initiate proclamations, and prepare news releases ⠢ Â Ideas for working with government, including tips for lobbying local, state, and federal lawmakers, and for using social action skills with the courts ⠢ Â Â Resources point the way toward government offices, groups, organizations, Web sites, and books. Designed for kids to use on their own, this creative book is also ideal for schools, clubs, groups, troops, and youth organizations.

#### **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

This upbeat, engaging book tells young adults --say, 10 and up-- specific ways they can make a difference. Even those vaguely wanting to "do something" may get inspired by the book's stories of caring kids, their ideas, and what skills they developed to get results. My 12-year-old glued herself to the book for several days, then organized a neighborhood campaign to help the homeless in our town. The book helped with ideas for letters, interviews, speeches, surveys, and many resources and contact info. Now I'm reading it!

Barbara Lewis cares about kids! Her books highlight ways in which students can make a difference in the world. Students are taught to identify problems and seek creative solutions in order to improve their community. "Kids Guide to Social Action," as well as Barbara's other publications, promote character education and service learning by providing authentic examples and educatinal tools for both the teacher and student.

I can't imagine a better way to help young people put their"if only's" into action. Kids can choose from small orlarger time involvements, but this book will help them not WASTE time as they begin helping others in their communities. Many specific ideas and even templates to help the first-time volunteer feel comfortable reaching out, giving, and maybe even changing the world a little.

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