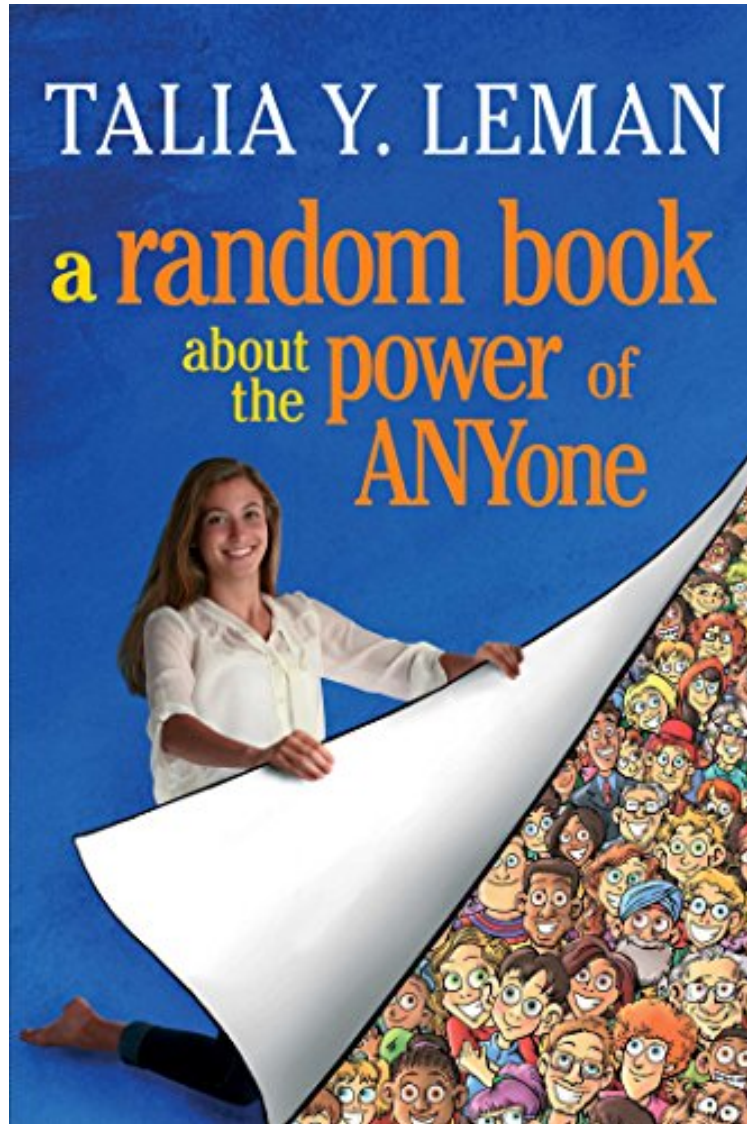


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12 of 13 people found the following review helpful. A Fresh Perspective on LeadershipBy Ed BrenegarAs a leadership development strategist and coach for almost three decades, and as a member of the board of RandomKid for the past five years, the organization that Talia Leman, author of A Random Book about the Power of ANYone, started, I am stunned by just how good and important her book is. Of the hundred's of books on leadership that I've read over the years, Talia's is, by far, one of the ten best. Here's why.1. It is about all of us. It is not about the lone heroic leader, which is such a tired, unrealistic view. It is written for any one who desires to make a difference in the world. It isn't

just for kids, but for any one. It is a book that a parent can give a child, or a young person to a friend, or a group to read together. There are not many books on leadership of which you can say this. It is a book for every one. And it is especially for the person who never wanted to be called a leader, but has a passion for something where they want to make a difference. It is for people like most of us.² It is very counter-intuitive. Talia is a brilliantly insightful young woman. Her perspective shifts the ground upon which we understand leadership to something fresh and new. There is a quality to her ideas that are free and open, not given to rules and formulas that seem so restrictive or impossible to achieve. On almost every page as I read her book, I'd smile with pleasure at seeing new ways of understanding who we are as people and how we together can make a difference in the world.³ It is extraordinarily practical. Only someone who is looking at leadership with fresh eyes could see how these How-to's are things we need to help us make a difference. They are simple ways of seeing how important aspects of any project need to be done. These are the tools of leadership that are essential to success. This is where the gold in the book is to be mined. I know I am biased in my appreciation for Talia and her book. I am because she has helped me to see my own leadership potential in new ways. She's the real thing; an authentic 21st century leader for our time. This is a great book. One that you'll want to read, and refer to again and again. It is one that you'll want to give to people you know, who need to know how they can make a difference that matters. It truly is a book about the Power of ANYone.³ of 3 people found the following review helpful. World Class Super Teen By Jimbo I bought this book from based on morning show publicity that Ms. Leman received. This is a how-to book written by and primarily for teenagers. However it has information that is applicable to anyone interested in benevolent activities. The material is well researched and well presented. It is obvious that Talia has access to monetary and human resources way beyond the imagination of the average teenager. There is no doubt that she has a special gift in knowing how to leverage those resources. Read this book and you will know too.² of 2 people found the following review helpful. Motivational and instructional By Ira S. M. I was so impressed with Talia's book. It definitely got my brain going in so many different ways. Mostly it was so inspirational to hear the story of what she and others are doing to make our world a better place. But it was also a great handbook to make an impact in my own community and beyond. Such insight from someone so young. A great book for kids but really for anyone!

You can be greater than you know how to be. In a world where you are pushed to know more, this book will prove that your greatest asset is often not knowing. In a world where you are told it's all in the planning, this book will encourage you to keep your cart ahead of your horse and allow your dreams to lead you. In a world where you are told you need to become someone, this book will show you that you already are someone. The author's foremost accidental expert on this subject is Talia Leman. A high school student. Runner in the rain. Science enthusiast. World changer. Random kid. Writing with infectious enthusiasm, humor, and resoluteness, she shares her secrets to being more than you know how to be, including Don't Line Up Your Ducks, Sideways Is a Better Way to Go Forward, and Too Many Cooks Is the Right Number. In this unexpectedly poignant, strikingly honest, and informative guide, Talia Leman shows you how to make room for life's surprises, demonstrating that everyone has what it takes to make a difference for anything that matters to them. A Random Book about the Power of ANYone will move you to rethink and reimagine what's possible, one random inspiration, one random idea, one random person at a time.

From Booklist Young philanthropist Leman created a national stir when she organized a Halloween campaign that raised \$10 million for Hurricane Katrina victims. Now, at 17, she leads an organization that harnesses the creative gifting power of 12-million children on four continents. In this guide to fostering positive changes in the world in big and little ways, she uses cartoons; short, punchy paragraphs; and a casual tone to present the highlights of her fundraising success while discussing the stories of many others who have worked in a similar manner. With its breezy style, Leman's book serves as both a pep rally for budding philanthropists and a fun source of inspiration for those working with teen groups. Leman offers plenty of examples of how to get the ball rolling, and it's clear that a positive attitude is her secret weapon for achieving success. Although not a source for serious data about organizing charitable groups, this is an excellent motivator for young people who want to do good. --Colleen Mondor
If your image of a philanthropist is a stout, gray geezer, then meet Talia Leman... supporting her for president in 2044. --Nicholas Kristof, The New York Times, November 16, 2008
About the Author Talia Leman has become a world-renowned fundraiser and is currently spearheading RandomKid's Big Return, a project launching in St. Louis, Missouri. Through RandomKid, a 501(c)3 organization that she cofounded, she provides the network, resources, and support for kids to undertake life-changing philanthropic activities. She lives in Iowa.