

THE DALAI LAMA LIBRARY PROJECT

THE MISSION

In honor of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama's 90th birthday, we're giving back the way he's taught the world for generations–through compassion and action. We're making his teachings–of compassion, understanding, and peaceful advocacy—more accessible for the next generation by adding Voice for the Voiceless to our school or local libraries.

Take 10 minutes to add Voice for the Voiceless to your school or local library.

INSTRUCTIONS

Step	Action	Time
1	Request the book	5-10 mins
2	Log it!	30 secs
3	Capture the moment	5 mins

Step 1: Request the book

Select the path (a, b, c, or d) that applies to you

- a) I'm currently in school
 - 1. Walk to your school library and find the librarian
 - 2. Request a book purchase:

"Hi! I'd love to request the purchase of a book, "Voice for the Voiceless" by the Dalai Lama. It's powerful and relevant, especially with His Holiness turning 90 this year. I'm confident adding it to our school's collection will greatly benefit our academic environment and enrich our student body. Here's the ISBN: 9780063391390. Could we add it to the library?"

- Ask about follow-up: "Is there any form I need to fill out? What's the timeline and when can I expect to hear back from you?"
- b) My school is on break and I don't have access (ie I don't live nearby/it's not open)
 - 1. Search your school website for a "Library Purchase Request Form"



- a. This is *not the same as a loan request form*–make sure you're requesting a book purchase–a permanent addition to the library's collection
- 2. Fill it out using this info:

Book Title: Voice for the Voiceless Author: The Dalai Lama ISBN: 9780063391390 Place: New York, NY Publisher: William Morrow Reason: To provide students access to the insights of a global peace leader. This book provides invaluable insights into making a positive social impact and creating a more equitable world.

- If there are no form questions and just a submission text/email box, copy the email the c) email template below

c) I can't find a librarian nor a request form

- 1. Search your school's faculty directory and find the librarian's email.
 - a. CC any other relevant library contacts or the general contact email as well.
- 2. Send the following email (customize accordingly)

SAMPLE EMAIL TEMPLATE

Subject: Book Request – Voice for the Voiceless by the Dalai Lama

Dear [Librarian Name],

I hope you're well. This is [Your Name] from the [Your Grade]. I'm reaching out to formally request the purchase of a book to add to our library: "Voice for the Voiceless" by the Dalai Lama. It's a powerful and relevant book, and I'm confident adding it to our school's collection will greatly benefit our academic environment and enrich our student body. I'm committed to using my education to make a positive social impact, and this book provides invaluable insights into building a more equitable world. Please reference the information below:

Book Info:

- **Title**: Voice for the Voiceless
- Author: The Dalai Lama
- Place: New York, NY



- **Publisher**: William Morrow
- **ISBN**: 9780063391390

Please let me know if you have any questions, as well as when I can expect to hear back regarding the status or arrival of the book.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely, [Your Name]

d) I am not in school/ My school doesn't have a library

- 1. Find a local library in your area and search for their purchase request form
 - a. To do this, you can search online using the library's name plus keywords like: "request a book", "purchase request form", or "materials request form"
- 2. Fill it out using this info:

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- If there are no form questions and just a submission text/email box, copy the email the email template

Step 2: Log it!

1. Fill out this 3 question **FORM** to log your impact!

Step 3: Capture the moment

Once the book arrives:

- 1. Go back to your school library/local library
- Ask your librarian to join you for a quick video/photo or film yourself
 SAMPLE VIDEO SCRIPT:

"In [Your School] OR [local library], we now have His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Voice for the Voiceless in our library. Happy 90th Birthday!"

3. Post it online to inspire others!