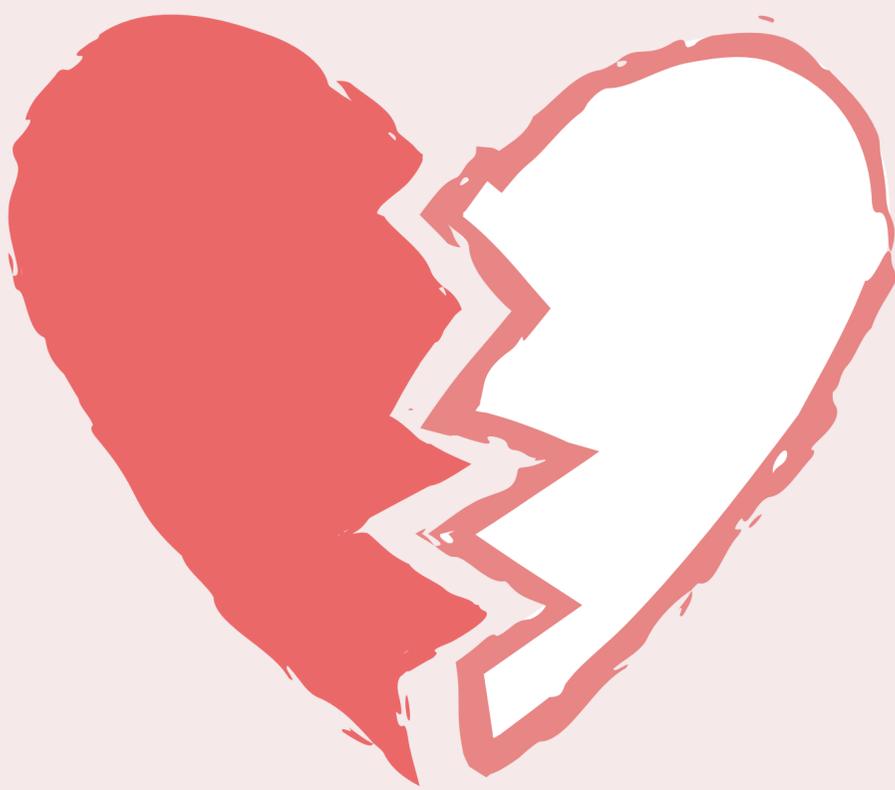# Leymah Gbowee

THE PEACE BRINGER

Leymah Gbowee was a regular kid. She was born in an African country called Liberia in 1972. Her childhood was full of laughter and she dreamed of becoming a Doctor.

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One day, people in her country started fighting over money and others things.

They did not want to share. Many people got hurt.

Leymah wanted to make it stop, but she was only one person...what could she do?

Leymah wanted to make it stop. She went to universtity and learned how to help people.

She taught girls and women, that they were mighty. She showed them how to use their voices.

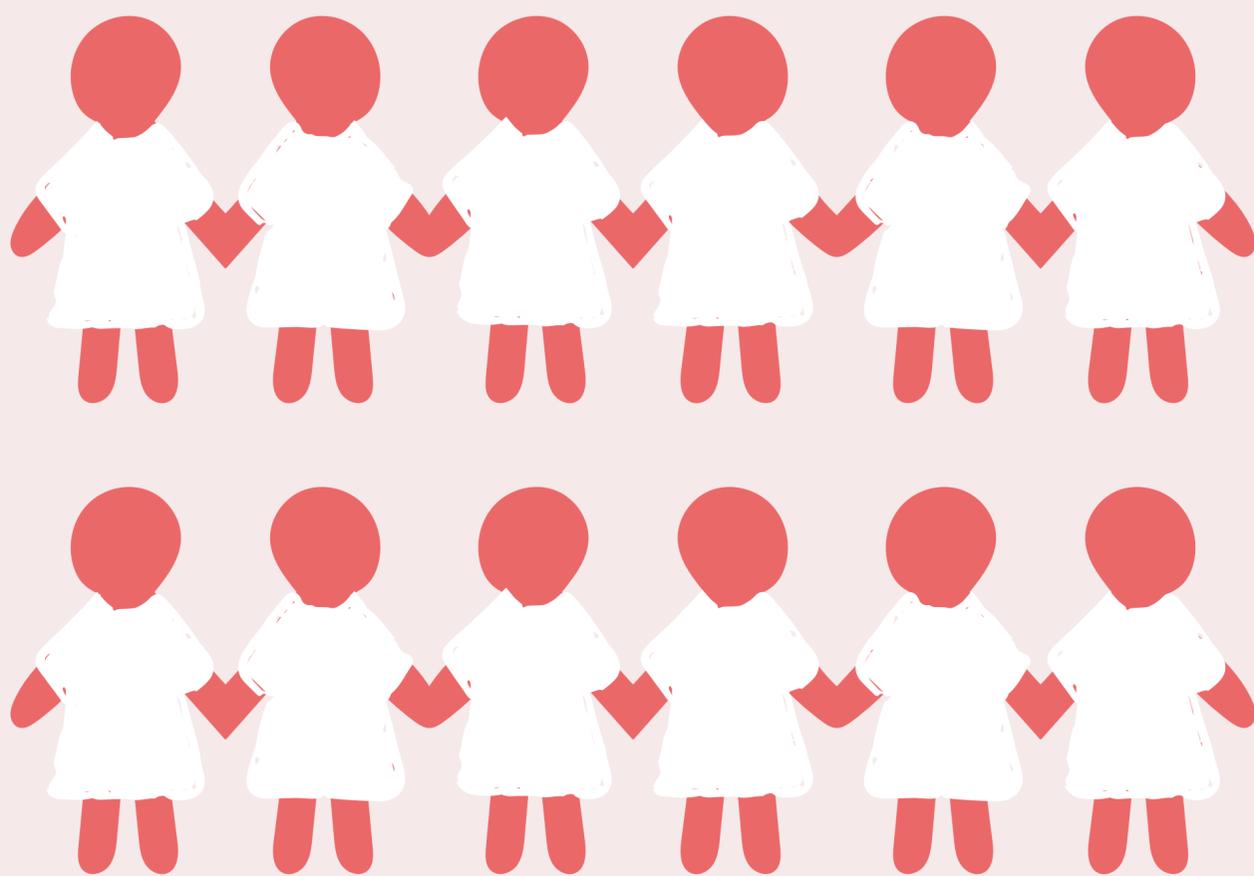They began using their voices to protest the war.

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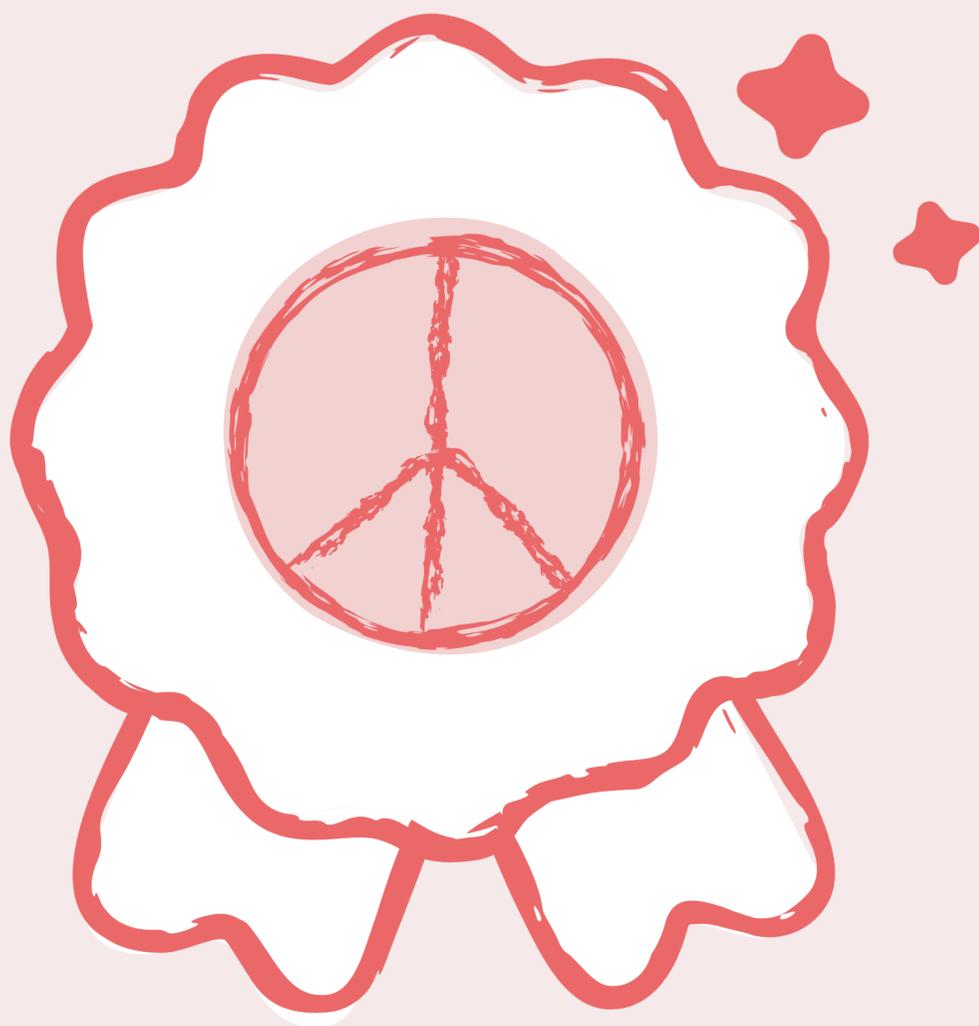
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They marched in white - the colour of peace.

They told the leaders: "We will not let you out of the building until you promise to stop the war!"

They were brave and never gave up.

In 2003, Leymah's determination paid off - the leaders agreed to end the war.

She was recognised with a Nobel Peace prize - one of the highest awards - for building peace in the world.

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Talk about it...

Question 1: What do you admire about Leymah?

Question 2: Do you think she was ever scared?

Question 3: How does it feel to speak up, even if others don't agree?

THE END