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Read the selection. Complete the author's point of view graphic organizer.

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**Author's Point of View** 

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Read the passage. Use the reread strategy to help you understand and remember information.

# A Child's Fight for Rights

At age 12, Craig Kielburger of Ontario, Canada, read a terrible news story that changed his life. He read about Iqbal Masik. Iqbal was a boy from Pakistan who was forced to work in a rug factory. Craig read that children were taken from their homes. They were put to work at very young ages. Craig was free. The thought of being captive shocked him.

# **Iqbal's Story**

Iqbal was the same age as Craig. He had been working constant 12-hour days since age four. Non-stop working kept Iqbal from going to school. He was not treated well and lived behind large fences and walls.

Iqbal was later set free by police. He tried to make his story known and spoke to the press.

### Free the Children

Craig was moved by Iqbal's story. It caused him and his friends to write requests and reach out to world leaders to raise money for a wonderful cause.

In 1996, Craig founded Free the Children. It was started as a group of young people who wanted to stop the use of child labor around the world.

## Craig Kielburger and Free the Children

Craig, Age 12-Starts Craig, Age 14-Frees Craig, today-Continues to fight for children's rights

Many people were not aware that children were being forced to work in factories. Free the Children helped make sure that Canada checked the rugs that were brought into the country. The rugs that were not made by children were labeled.

When Craig was 14, he went with police in South Asia to search for children who were being forced to work. The children were returned to their parents. Craig spoke with the parents and learned the families' stories.

#### **Conflict and Results**

Some people disagreed with Craig. They didn't agree with him because they thought he was too young. They didn't like that he was talking about these things.

That didn't stop Craig's group though. After two years, the group used the money they had raised to pay for a center in Pakistan. The center provided shelter and education for children who had escaped capture.

Free the Children still thrives today. It grows because countries like the United States and Germany have learned of Craig's mission. They have taken action. Children raise money with car washes and bake sales.

Craig has helped to build over 100 schools and centers for children in need. With his help and that of other interested people, Craig's group can complete its goal of fighting for children's rights—a very worthy cause.

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A. Reread the passage and answer the questions.

- 1. What are two details from paragraphs 1 and 4 that tell us the author's point of view?
- 2. How are the two details similar?
- 3. What is the author's point of view in the passage? Give evidence or reasons from the passage.

B. Work with a partner. Read the passage aloud. Pay attention to accuracy. Stop after one minute. Fill out the chart.

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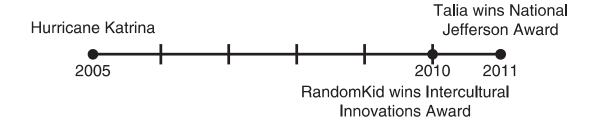
# Talia Leman and Randomkid.org

In 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast of the United States hard. Ten-year-old Talia Leman helped raise over \$10 million to help the victims.

Leman then founded the Web site RandomKid.org. It helps a variety of causes across the globe and has won awards and widespread recognition. Over 12 million young people in 20 countries have joined its effort.

In 2011, Leman won the National Jefferson Award for global change. It was her reward for all of her public service.

## Important Events in Talia Leman's Life



Answer the questions about the text.

- 1. How do you know this text is a biography?
- 2. What is one text feature included in this text?
- 3. How does the time line help you understand the text better?
- 4. How can you tell that the events in the text are in the order that they happened?

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| 2. | He had been working <b>constant</b> 12-hour days since age four. Non-stop working kept Iqbal from going to school.   |
| 3. | Craig was <b>moved</b> by Iqbal's story. It caused him and his friends to write requests and reach out to world leaders to raise money for a wonderful cause.                              |
| 4. | In 1996, Craig <b>founded</b> Free the Children. It was started as a group of young people who wanted to stop the use of child labor around the world.                                     |
| 5. | Some people <b>disagreed</b> with Craig. They didn't agree with him because they thought he was too young.   |

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A. Read the draft model. Use the questions that follow the draft to help you think about what reasons and evidence you can add.

# **Draft Model**

Miss Cardenas made a big difference in our community. She started a nursing school five years ago. There was a shortage of skilled nurses in our town before the school opened.

- 1. What efforts did Miss Cardenas make to start the nursing school?
- 2. What concrete details would describe the problem with the nurse shortage?
- 3. What reasons and evidence would show how the school helped end the shortage?
- 4. What examples would show how things got better?

| B. Now revise the draft by adding reasons and evidence that will help |
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| convince readers to agree with the writer's opinion.                  |