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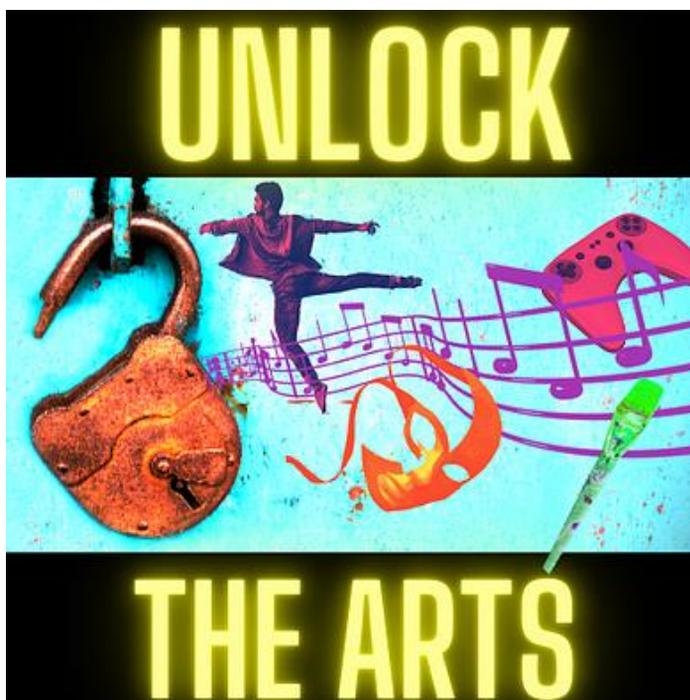
WRITE
SPARKS

Welcome to The Protest of Life

Created in just four days, The Protest of Life is a brand new zine from the brilliant young minds of the LEAN: Unlock the Arts project.

All of the writing in this zine has been created by the participants of the workshop, led by Sarah Parrott, Nicola Greenbrook and the wonderful LEAN facilitators; Sarah King and Helena.

Congratulations to all of the young people involved who have shared their thoughts and writing with us this week!



How to Make a Change

Shout loudly,
Explain clearly,
Write powerfully,
Strike regularly,
Strike confidently.

Stand proudly,
Answer justly,
Scream passionately,
Order strongly,
Succeed collaboratively,
Resist quietly.

Stay boldly,
Continue confidently,
Resist powerfully,
Challenge calmly,
Challenge proudly.

Dear Boris Johnson,

Climate change is a national crisis all around the world and is the making of humans.

If we don't make a difference our futures are ruined forever but there is still something we can do. If, for example, we used efficient solar panels and life-saving wind turbines more often, instead from burning fossil fuels, this could make a massive difference in the UK .

Another key fact that we could use to decrease the impact of climate change is using electric cars and weaken the use of cars that run on fossil fuels. I really hope we can stop the cause of climate change because if we don't, the risk of animals becoming extinct has grown in a large amount.

Also what would happen if there was a book on all the extinct animals in the future and us never being able to bring them to life again because of climate change?

I strongly advise you to listen to what I have written and again please note all the changes we can do to defeat climate change.

James

You may think yourself better
Think we'll cower before you?
But we're just as clever
We will rise to meet you

We should be treated the same
Women and men are equal
This is shocking, it isn't a game
The prejudice is evil

Why is our ideal world
Only a mere dream?
To get equality and justice
The world must act as a team

We aren't just objects
We won't sit pretty
We deserve respect
We don't need your pity

This needs to stop
It isn't fair
We will reach the top
You better beware.

Amy



Stare

There's a man on the other side of the road, staring at me as I run.

I don't know this man.

He stares at me, he leers at me and he won't look away.

I keep on running, but my pace is less determined.

I glance around, seeking out the comfort of others.

The distance between us is shrinking.

He stares.

He won't avert his gaze, he refuses to give up.

He stands up taller.

He wields his power.

But, I can stare too.

I can stare, just as hard.

So, I stare.

I won't avert my gaze, I refuse to give up.

I stand up taller.

I wield my power.

I shrink the distance between us.

I look him right in the eye.

He looks away.

I keep on running, and my pace is more determined.

I run on.

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Nicola

Gender Inequality is a monster. He shouts incoherently and travels with a gang. He's the size of a human and when he walks he knocks everything over.

He lives in the dishwasher, his spiky and prickly skin is cold to touch.

The only thing he is afraid of is girls, and pink is his ultimate nemesis.

Amy





If racism was a monster, it would be called The Protester. It roars “Protest!” and stomps very slowly.

It eats the keyboard mouse if it has a chance and they usually live in packs inside laptops.

It has skin of stone, which is boiling hot to touch.

It is afraid of the mouse on laptops and will try, and often succeed, to run away. With one click of a mouse it will perish from existence.

James

Protest Slogans

written by Amy and James



Crisis

Whilst Antarctica's melting,
The help that we get is nothing.
When the sunny days come,
We all think it is warm and fun.
But as the days get hotter,
Soon the coastlines will flood with sea water.
So please help us out,
To find out about,
Global warming,
That's been forming,
Which is transforming,
into a national crisis.
So please help and save the ices.

James



**THERE IS
ONLY ONE
EARTH**

What can activism look like?

clothing marches
literature speaking posters art-activism
songs letters petitions leaflets
campaigns sit-ins films fundraising
banners challenging
boycotts media strikes
education Protests
advertising

Suggestions from Therese, Anna, Amy, James and Michael



Dear Boris Johnson,

I am writing to you about climate change. I understand that there are lots of problems we face, but I strongly believe that climate change is the biggest global threat we have ever encountered.

Factories pollute our air, putting young people at a huge risk. Cars do the same, and altogether, this is posing a risk to your children, and the children in Britain. This is causing global warming, which is causing the icebergs to melt, causing rising sea levels. Futhermore, tis is causing extreme weather, which is becoming a huge threat to us as a world.

Will your great-grandchildren forgive you if you don't step up and do more about this problem? Do you want to be remembered as the prime minister who knew there was a problem, who had the power to do something about it, but didn't? I urge you to step up to this problem and face it like the prime minister you would want to be remembered as.

There is still time for us to fix this, but we are running out of time, and if you don't do enough, just remember that the future generations will only blame you. Futhermore, you could save my future, your children's future, and their children's future.

I hope that you can understand the seriousness of this problem, and the position you are in, and the duty you have to make a difference.

Amy

What Did You Say?



1. ITS OUR FUTURE Y'ALL!!!!!!! WE WON'T LET YOU OLD PEOPLE RUIN IT!!!!
2. My throat hurts, so I'm not gonna shout too much guys :(
3. SAVE THE EARTH!!!
4. Guys, since I'm the tallest should I stand at the back and shout louder?
5. Mr Johnson, what is being done to tackle global warming??

1. Screw fossil fuels, change to electric!
2. We're protesting climate change
3. There is no planet B, is there?
4. We want change , CLIMATE CHANGE!!!!!!

Ideas from participants on 7/4/21

The Trees

After Speaking Tree, Joy Harjo

Earth hides many secrets,
One is its trees.
Some stand tall and proud.

Others are on the ground, feeling the breeze
Secrets they hide.

How they are rooted,
And how they are grown,
How they are polluted,
And yet we know,
Trees are life saving,
Help the Earth.

Yet we cut them down,
Yet some of us are blind and don't know what they're worth,
So please help us out and find the key,
To help save the trees.

James

Unspeakable River

After Speaking Tree, Joy Harjo

Woman alone threading coffee,
Shy Water heard massacre,
Fed earth Unspeakable River,
Humans planted broken doorway,
Tree shall dance together.

Leaves understand deepest anguish,
Now Woman yearning moist life,
Bear drink Unspeakable River.

Sunset music gone talking,
Now Bear hear talking heartache,
Little coffee gone walk,
Heard genealogy,
Bear hear broken river.

Woman carry little Woman
Between Unspeakable River.

Amy



While we sit in our homes
Factories ruin our air
They poison our lungs
Do we even care?

The seas are filling
Plastic is killing
Oil is spilling
The affects are chilling.

Temperatures are rising
World leader are disguising
Global warming
As a joke.

We are losing ice
Glaciers are shrinking
Animals are paying the price
Countries are sinking.

If we don't act fast
Earth will become the past.

Amy

Thank You!

Thank you to all of the wonderful young people who have attended the workshops this week and contributed their voices to this collaborative project. Congratulations on building a whole zine in just a few days!

Thank you to Nicola, Sarah K, Nat and Helena for all their hard work this week.

Sarah Parrott

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