

## A Reader's Guide for Self-Reflection

Books bring new ideas, insights and inspiration.

Our *Reader's Guide for Self-Reflection* provides an opportunity to assess the way you read, and to think critically about your book choices – everything from considering an author's biography to pinpointing the qualities that make a captivating female protagonist.

We hope this guide can be a source of motivation as you continue along your literary journey in support of gender equality and literacy worldwide.

- 1. What does gender equality mean to you?
- 2. What do you look for when selecting a new book to read?
- **3.** How frequently do you read the biographies of authors prior to reading their books? How can an author's biography influence your decision to read a book?
  - **4.** Who are the main characters you enjoy reading about?
  - 5. What regions of the world have you not read a book about yet?
- **6**. Is there a female protagonist you were particularly drawn to when reading a book? What qualities did she possess that attracted you to her as a character?
  - 7. What are the literary genres you tend to read most often? Least often?
  - 8. What books have moved you? What lessons or takeaways did you gain?
    - 9. Do you search for books with subjects you know a little/a lot about?
  - **10**. What types of books do you find most comfortable or easy to read? Do you ever venture beyond your literary genre comfort zone?

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