

Dear J.K. Rowling,

12/4/20

I have read all seven of your *Harry Potter* books. I have been very impressed with the plots, the characters, the settings, the dialogue, and the INCREDIBLE imaginative details that fill your books. These books have been a big part of my childhood. My dad read them to my five older brothers and me when I was just five years old. From then on, we have spent countless hours watching the movies on road trips and on family movie nights, and might I add they do not even compare to the books. Because of this, your stories have a special place in my heart. Your literature and life have inspired me in so many ways, and I am so grateful for that.

To start off, I would like to say how your books have impacted my life. When I would be having a bad day I would find myself escaping by opening one of your books. I could imagine I was sitting by the lake at Hogwarts filled with the many merpeople, or at the crooked Burrow, where the smell of Mrs. Weasley's magical cooking fills the air, or in Grimmauld Place, where Creature lurks the halls and mumbles terrible things. These places and stories distracted me from my bad days and helped me get through them easier. They got me in a better mood and made me enjoy my day again.

During quarantine, I was at a low. I was not able to go to school where I thrived. I was not able to see my friends, which were and are a big part of my life. So your books gave me something to forget all the challenges in the world. The pandemic. The supply shortages. The deaths. Even my church was shut down. Once I opened your books all of those problems were forgotten and did not exist until I closed the book again.

After finishing one of the stories, I would feel a high of happiness, and could not help but start the next book right away. But once I finished the final book, I was overcome with sadness that the story of Harry Potter and his triumphs over the Dark Lord was over.

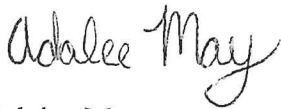
I have also found many themes scattered throughout your stories that have helped me in my everyday life. One that is found very prevalent throughout your books is to never give up even if one fails. In almost every book Harry Potter tries to defeat Voldemort, but in almost every book, up until the last book, he does not succeed. Yet, he kept on trying. In the last book Harry Potter is even laying on his death bed, but he still manages to demolish Voldemort. This is a principal that I try to use in every part of my life. And thanks to you this is easier for me to do.

Not only have your stories inspired me, but your life too. You have endured so many trials and challenges, still you became a famous and successful author. You were poverty-

stricken, but then you became a millionaire. Your first book were rejected a dozen times, but now everyone raves over your books. You were told that you would never make it as an author, but now you are one of the most honored. You proved everyone wrong and turned your life around. You are an amazing example and I strive to have your amount of grit.

In conclusion, your literature has had a tremendous impact on my life and me. Your works have made me love reading, books, and literature. Hey! You even gave my family something to bond over. I might even consider being an author when I am older. I would like to changes people's lives through books like you have. I would like to change the world for the better through literature like you have done. And in the end, I would like to inspire people in the way you have inspired me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Adalee May". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent loop at the end of the word "May".

Adalee May