*(For humor)*

[Sometimes I lie awake at night and ask, '*Where have I gone wrong*?' Then a **voice** says to me, 'This is going to take more than one night…'](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/c/charlesms393098.html)

[Sometimes I lie awake at night and ask ‘Wh*y me*?’ Then a **voice** answers, ‘Nothing personal; your name just happened to come up.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/c/charlesms158375.html)’

[**Charles M. Schulz**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/c/charles_m_schulz.html)

*(For historical perspective)*

[I was in my thirteenth year when I heard a **voice** from God to help me govern my conduct. And the first time I was very much afraid.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/j/joanofarc390558.html)

[**Joan of Arc**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/j/joan_of_arc.html)

If particular care and attention is not paid to the ladies, we are determined to foment a rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any laws in which we have

**no voice**, or representation.

[**Abigail Adams**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/abigail_adams.html)

[Justice is conscience, not a personal conscience but the conscience of the whole of humanity. Those who clearly recognize the **voice** of their own conscience usually recognize also the **voice** of justice.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/a/aleksandrs408985.html)

[**Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/aleksandr_solzhenitsyn.html)

*(From Literature & the Arts)*

Masterpieces are not single and solitary births; they are the outcome of many years of thinking in common, of thinking by the body of the people,

so that the experience of the mass is behind the single **voice**.

[**Virginia Woolf**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/v/virginia_woolf.html)

[That inner **voice** has both gentleness and clarity. So to get to authenticity, you really keep going down to the bone, to the honesty, and the inevitability of something.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/m/meredithmo213174.html)

[**Meredith Monk**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/m/meredith_monk.html)

[A **voice** is a human gift; it should be cherished and used, to utter fully human speech as possible. Powerlessness and silence go together.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/m/margaretat392759.html)

[**Margaret Atwood**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/m/margaret_atwood.html)

[Speak your mind, even if your **voice** shakes.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/m/maggiesmit415756.html)

[**Maggie Smith**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/m/maggie_smith.html)

[I write for those women who do not speak, for those who do not have a **voice** because they were so terrified, because we are taught to respect fear more than ourselves. We've been taught that silence would save us, but it won't.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/a/audrelorde409007.html)

[**Audre Lorde**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/audre_lorde.html)

*(From Education)*

It is not the intelligent woman versus the ignorant woman; nor the white woman v. the black, the brown, & the red; it is not even the cause of woman v. man.

Nay, tis woman's strongest vindication for speaking that the world needs to hear her **voice**.

[**Anna Julia Cooper**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/anna_julia_cooper.html)

*(From the political/diplomatic arena)*

[Even one **voice** can be heard loudly all over the world in this day and age.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/a/aungsansuu464225.html)

[**Aung San Suu Kyi**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/a/aung_san_suu_kyi.html)

[Right now, they feel they have lost their **voice**, and their miseries have increased since my departure.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/b/benazirbhu241003.html)

[**Benazir Bhutto**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/b/benazir_bhutto.html)

[I think women want to take care of themselves, and I think having a **voice** in how that is done is very important.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/m/madeleinea453896.html)

[It took me quite a long time to develop a **voice**, and now that I have it, I am not going to be silent.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/m/madeleinea432621.html)

[**Madeleine Albright**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/m/madeleine_albright.html)

*(From business/philanthropy)*

A woman with a **voice** is by definition a strong woman. But the search to find that voice can be remarkably difficult.

**Melinda Gates**

*(From Sports)*

[Doubt yourself and you doubt everything you see. Judge yourself and you see judges everywhere. But if you listen to the sound of your own **voice**, you can rise above doubt and judgment. And you can see forever.](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/n/nancylopez187392.html)

[**Nancy Lopez**](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/n/nancy_lopez.html)

*(From Psychiatry & Psychological Research)*

The **voice** of the intelligence is drowned out by the roar of fear. It is ignored by the **voice** of desire. It is contradicted by the **voice** of shame.

It is biased by hate and extinguished by anger. Most of all it is silenced by ignorance.

**Karl A. Menninger**

As we have listened for centuries to the **voices** of men and the theories of development that their experience informs, so we have come more recently to notice not only the silence of women but the difficulty in hearing what they say when they speak. Yet in the different **voice** of women lies the truth of an ethic of care, the tie between relationship & responsibility, and the origins of aggression in the failure of connection.

**Carol Gilligan**

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