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Women's History Month Essay

Helen Keller was born with full sight and hearing, but lost them after scarlet fever when she was just 18 months old. She came under the education of Anne Sullivan when she was seven and learned how to sign with her fingers. Later in life, Helen learned to speak. She went to Cambridge University and graduated. She was one of the first deaf and blind women to be able to speak. She even gave public speeches about her views on politics. Back in her time, it was said to be impossible to do many things, like speak or read, when deaf and blind. She was so determined and focused on being a "normal person" that she became a famous leader.

Helen Keller's accomplishments affect me because she proved anything is possible; the sky is the limit. Even when people were prejudiced towards her, she was so passionate about her dream that she kept going. She became a role model for people all around the world. Helen won the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Theodore Roosevelt Distinguished Service Medal and got elected into the Women's Hall of Fame- and was blind and deaf! She changed many people's views and helped blind people worldwide. Helen showed people you can accomplish anything you want. Keller inspires me to, no matter what happens or who tries to stop me, pursue my dreams and become who I want to be in life- a scientist who helps to cure food allergies, which I have myself.