

Be a Hero for a Better World



"I want a different world. One where I don't wake up thinking I'm so lucky to be able to feed my daughter, and able to give people a clean drink of water. I don't want images of starving babies at the breast in my mind. I want that to change. And if I want that, I had better do something about it."

Emma Thompson (1959-)

Emma Thompson is one of Britain's top actresses with numerous accolades including 2 Academy Awards, an Emmy, 2 Golden Globes and 2 BAFTA awards. She is also an accomplished screenwriter -- one of her Academy Awards was for her screenplay adaptation of *Sense and Sensibility*.

Offscreen, Emma Thompson has been active in many causes for a better world, including patron of the Refugee Council, the UK's largest organization working with refugees and an Ambassador of the international development charity, ActionAid, which is helping to end global poverty with programs in more than 40 countries. She has also supported the Make Poverty History campaign, advocates for corporate responsibility and Fair Trade, and she has been an outspoken advocate of AIDS funding for Africa.

"There's an awful lot of misunderstanding here about what being poor actually means. I don't think people understand that being poor means you have to work from dawn until dusk just to survive through the day. I think there's some notion that poor people lie about all day not doing anything. It is remarkable how many misconceptions there are here about life in the developing world and I think that that knowledge gap has done a lot to contribute to the imbalance quite frankly."

Emma Thompson was born on April 15, 1959 in London, England

Be A Hero For A Better World!

1. Find out more about this hero
2. Pledge to help end hunger (iaahp.net)
3. Hold an event to raise awareness about the problem of world hunger
4. Contribute to an organization working to end hunger

Organizations Helping End Hunger

- Alliance To End Hunger (alliancetoendhunger.org)
- America's Second Harvest (secondharvest.org)
- End Hunger Network (endhunger.com)
- Food For All (foodforall.org)
- Oxfam America (oxfamamerica.org)
- World Hunger Year (worldhungeryear.org)

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