One Book That Can Stop Child Labour

"The change starts within each one of us, and ends only when all children are free to be children” (Craig Kielburger). We need to make people aware of how the child labourers are being bought and sold and how they work in dangerous workplaces. People need to understand that every child has rights. But, the child labourers are denied these rights. We need to make people aware of how child labours are bought and sold as slaves and forced to work from dusk till dawn. We can do that by recommending the novel Iqbal so people will see the truth of how they are treated.

More people need to be informed about the millions of children being sold and forced to work as slaves. 218 million children daily find themselves working long hours under harsh, dangerous and exploitative conditions (Free The Children). Free The Children is the largest network of children helping children through education. About 1.2 million of these children have been bought and sold (Free The Children). For example, Iqbal was sold to go work as a carpet maker so he could pay for his brother's medical care (D'Adamo19). Many children like Iqbal, are being sold and forced to work as slaves in dangerous conditions.

Every child has the right to the best health care possible, safe water to drink, nutritious food, a clean and safe environment, and information to help you stay well. (Article 24,Children's rights). Child labours work in conditions that are dangerous and they are given very little food to work through the day (D'Adamo 8). Child labours are forced to give up their time to play, their time to be children and instead they work from dawn to dusk (Free The Children). In the Children's Rights article 35, it says that no one is allowed to kidnap or sell you. However, this law is constantly ignored. For example, Iqbal Masih at 4 years old was sold for $16 into bonded labour at a carpet factory. (Free The Children) No child should be treated like this. They should be free, free to be children.

The first step to stop child labour is to make people aware of the child labours around the world. We can start by recommending the novel "Iqbal". This novel is a fictional account of Iqbal Masih's life. This novel shows the reader the life of a child labour working in a carpet factory. It shows how the child labourers are treated and it shows the reader what their working conditions are like. Iqbal had risked his life and escaped the factory to try to get help and make a difference. Finally, his voice was heard and Iqbal travelled the world to make awareness of the issue, child labour. The more people who read this book, the more people there will be aware of child labour, and the more people that can make a difference. Together we can stop child labour, one book at a time.

We need to get people to become aware of child labor. To do that, we can recommend the novel Iqbal. The child labours around the world are suffering to work and they are missing out on their childhoods. They deserve to have the opportunity to use their rights. The right to play, the right to go to school, the right to get access to proper health care, and they deserve to be with their families where they will be love. We need to do the best we can and spread awareness. We need recommend the novel Iqbal so people will see what is happening to the millions of child labourers around the world and possibly support a better life for the children.