

## **Changing the World by Turning Dreams into Reality**

Changing the world can take on many forms. It can be following your dreams, helping other people, or even starting something new. When I decide to follow one of my dreams, I could be inspiring someone else to follow their dreams. Changing the world doesn't have to be anything big, it can be something simple that only a few people may notice. The Arc of Dreams is a good example. It shows us that doing something different can pay off. It might be risky, and sometimes I might have to take a leap of faith, but eventually the result will pay off.

I think the Arc of Dreams, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is a good example of how we each can change the world and follow our dreams. The arc starts with a firm base in the ground. The base is sturdy so dreams can grow and form. As the arc gets taller and reaches to the other side, it begins to get thinner and less sturdy. At the top there is a gap, a place we have to reach from one side to the other to accomplish our goals. I can't make it to the other side on my own; other people, events, and problems weave through my dreams. But if I can stay focused on the task at hand, it is possible to accomplish anything. Goals are just starting points, and dreams are what I want to change the world.

The gap in the arc also leaves space for an open mindset. An open mindset is important to accomplish my goals. If I stay focused on my goals, but still have room to adjust if I need to, I can help to change the world. The arc is not solid, it is made of several different pieces of metal. This allows my dreams to change if they need to. It also allows other people to help me. No one can accomplish their goals on their own.

Helping others, and getting help from others, can make us more successful when changing the world. Family, friends, and teachers help me to follow my dreams.

The arc's openness and whimsicalness also represent how I try to live my life. I always try to be a good leader and role model to others. I am in 4-H and this helps me to be a good leader. I can change the world by leading others and helping them with things. I can change the world by trying hard and participating. I am on the Student Council, and I always try to participate in school activities. I can inspire others, accomplish my own dreams, and help change the world all at the same time. This is how I can change the world.

Changing the world can take on many forms. How I change the world can be different from how someone else can change the world. The Arc of Dreams is a good example of how our dreams can affect what we do and how we do it. I can change the world by following my dreams and turning those dreams into reality.