

# UTOPIA?



## Island of Ideals

The word “utopia” comes from the Renaissance author Sir Thomas More. It was the name he gave to the imaginary island of his 1516 book, *Utopia*. More’s *Utopia*, a place of order and harmony, had perfect legal, political, and social systems. Residents enjoyed six-hour workdays and education for all. Plus, no one owned land, bartering took the place of money, and gemstones were simply children’s toys.

Start thinking about **your** ideals.

How will they inform your vision of a **GIRLtopia?**

How would the world be better for everyone if we had a GIRLtopia?

**What is the future for a girl who can’t read?**

When women don’t earn enough, what happens to their children?

What issues does society categorize as “women’s issues”? Why aren’t they everyone’s issues?

How could **everyone** help create a GIRLtopia?