

# ALICE WALKER

Occupation  
Novelist and poet

Nationality  
American

Famous Quote  
“*The more I wonder, the more I love.*”



Alice Walker is an American novelist. She is the first African American to win the Pulitzer Prize.

## BIRTH

Alice Walker was born in Georgia, in the United States, in 1944.



“My mother was very strong. [She] taught me about women defending themselves.”

-Alice Walker



## EARLY LIFE

Alice Walker’s parents were sharecroppers and she grew up in a rural farming town. She is African American. Alice Walker attended the only school available for black students in her town.

## CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

In the early 1960s, Alice Walker met Martin Luther King who inspired her to become involved in the Civil Rights Movement. She took part in protest marches and volunteered to register black voters.



## THE COLOR PURPLE (1982)

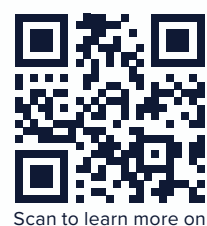
*The Color Purple* is Alice Walker’s most famous work for which she won the Pulitzer Prize for fiction. It is about a poor, African American girl from Georgia, and her journey towards understanding.

“Everything want to be loved. Us sing and dance and holler, just trying to be loved.”

‘*The Color Purple*’, 1982

## WOMANISM

Alice Walker has spent her whole life working for women’s rights. She coined the term ‘womanism’ to explain a form of feminism that applies to black women and their particular struggles.



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