

♪ **RIPPLES AND STARFISH (3:52)** ♪

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kvfqDuO9zyE&list=OLAK5uy_m_p-QmR0_-1yXmWXjsan2GiLAqKcLNku0&index=4

Song #4 on album *Caring and Capable Kids, Vol. 1*

YouTube link for album

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Amazon.com link for album

https://www.amazon.com/Caring-Capable-Kids-Vol-1/dp/B08H4NGZNX/ref=sr_1_46?dchild=1&keywords=%22Linda+K.+Williams%22+music&qid=1606279014&sr=8-46

Think and Share Invitations

- * Think and share about the difference/s you would like to help make in our world.
- * How would you start to make that difference, trusting that each act of caring and kindness will make a difference?
- * Have you seen someone's actions create a ripple effect/a chain of events?

REFRAIN:

Like ripples and starfish, ripples and starfish, I know that
one by one, our words and deeds can build a better world!

1

When one of Gandhi's followers felt his efforts made no difference at all
Gandhi said to him, "Your words and actions matter, whether large or small."
"You need to choose them with great care. They're like pebbles that you cast into a pond.
The ripples will take care of themselves, I've found."

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2

The man on the beach was working earnestly to throw the stranded starfish back into the sea.
When someone laughed at him and said, "You'll never save them all, don't you see?"
This bothered him not; he continued on, and threw another one to safety.
His answer was, "Well, I made a difference to that one, certainly."

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3

So instead of cursing the darkness, I'll light a candle to brighten the way.
When others see my flickering flame, surely many will add a shining ray.
So though the task may seem without end, we'll start to make a difference today;
We know not where our ripples will end, but we'll send them on their way.

FINAL, MODIFIED REFRAIN

Like ripples and starfish, ripples and starfish, I know that
 one by one, if we lend a hand---
 one by one, if we take a stand---
 yes, one by one, our words and deeds
 can build a better world ... build a better world!

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