

## Is it right to challenge leaders? – Abi Ndoci

**There have been many times in history where powerful leaders have been challenged by ordinary people. But is this right? Does it depend on the situation? To what extent can we challenge these leaders?**

I believe that we should be able to challenge powerful leaders, no matter what our position in society is. We have seen many cases of this throughout history. For example, the people of Russia joined together to get rid of the corrupt leader Tsar Nicholas II, which marked the beginning of the Russian Revolution – this was a key part of world history and has shaped the way the world functions today. There have been many corrupt leaders in world history like Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin, both of whom were extremists and have been the cause of many deaths during the time that they both ruled. In Stalin's case, he did not care for his people but instead wanted absolute power for himself. For Hitler, he wanted Germany to be the most powerful country in the world and killed thousands of Jews in the process.

So, should we just allow this? If our country is being exploited by evil people, should we simply suffer at their hands? At the end of the day, WE are the ones who are suffering, not them. WE are the ones who are killed in power-hungry schemes just because we are not as rich as they are. WE are the specimens in the lab of corruption that brews evil. Without us, these people would have no platform to stand on, yet they get to choose how OUR country functions? They are only human. They bleed like us, cry like us and function in the exact same way. Therefore, we should have every right to challenge them.

However, sometimes these leaders know best. They are (most of the time) elected because of the people themselves through a vote. This is how it operates in many countries, including England, and has done so for many years. The people get to decide who rules the country based on the promises that the leaders make for the people. Of course, there will be people who are unhappy with the results and will disagree with the leader's morals. But does that automatically make the ruler corrupt and evil and serve as a good enough reason to get rid of them? That does not seem fair in my opinion. People are going to have different points of view and just because

the minority do not agree with the leader's decisions does not mean that the majority should be forgotten. That is what a democracy is after all. Also, it is not only that one leader who makes each decision on their own. It is often a group of people who influence these choices and even make them by themselves. So, why should we blame one leader for everything that happens? There is often more going on behind the scenes that we, the public, do not know of. Therefore, we should not make such swift judgements and challenge these leaders instantly.

Overall, I believe that we as the public should have every right to challenge leaders. This is because many of them can be corrupt and only make their decisions for power or money. Just because they have a high social status does, in no way, mean that they make better decisions than us. The people.