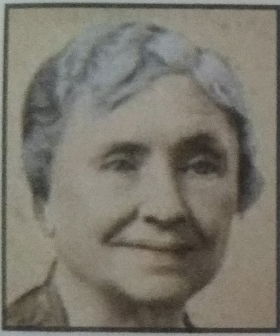


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Helen Keller was born on 27th June, 1880 in a little town in Alabama, the United States of America. In February 1882, a severe illness took away her sight and hearing. Although unable to see or hear, she became the Adviser to the American Foundation for the Blind and is known all over the world for her labour on behalf of the blind and the deaf.

Helen Keller began to write *The Story of My Life* when she was about thirteen years of age. It was published in 1903, when she was twenty-three.