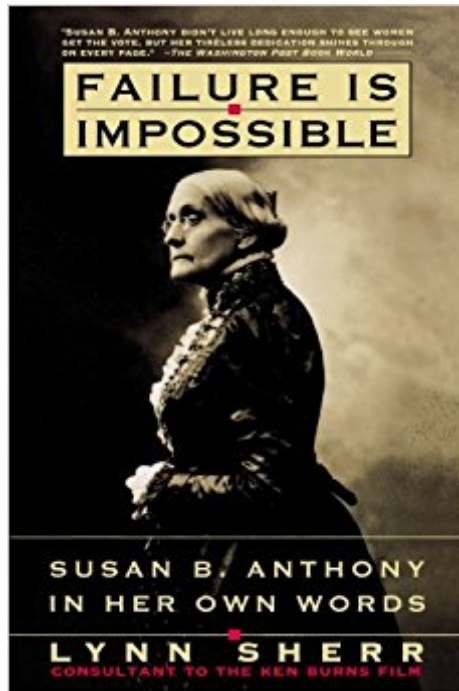




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# Failure Is Impossible: Susan B. Anthony In Her Own Words



## Synopsis

Juxtaposed with contemporary reports and biographical essays, the words of this legendary suffragist reveal Susan B. Anthony as a loyal, caring friend, and an eloquent, humorous crusader. "More than a collection of well-arranged quotations, the work informs, inspires, and gives historical perspective."--The Houston Post. 33 photos & illustrations.

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## Customer Reviews

This collection of excerpts from speeches and letters by women's rights advocate Anthony (1820-1906) reflects her activism on many issues, including female suffrage, the abolition of slavery, temperance, domestic violence and legal rights of married women. Sherr, a correspondent for ABC's 20/20 and coauthor of *Susan B. Anthony Slept Here*, accompanies Anthony's eloquent words with informed biographical essays. Anthony's spirited 50-year fight to gain the vote for women is detailed here, as well as the anger she expressed when friend and antislavery activist Frederick Douglass excluded women from his fight for voting rights for African Americans. After being jailed for voting illegally, Anthony wrote, "It was we, the people, not we, the white male citizens, but we, the whole people who formed this union." The 19th Amendment, granting voting rights to women, was passed 14 years after Anthony's death. Illustrations. Copyright 1994 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

"Away with your man-visions! Women propose to reject them all, and begin to dream dreams for

themselves," writes Anthony in one selection from this sprightly collection of her correspondence, speeches, interviews, and published writings. Sherr, 20/20 correspondent and coauthor of *Susan B. Anthony Slept Here* (LJ 5/1/94), has arranged the selections by topic—"Oh Slavery, Hateful Thing," "The Original Frequent Flier," "Get Money, Get Wealth," etc.—and chronologically within topics. Specialists may object that this arrangement distorts the historical meaning of some selections; this reader regretted that the leading chapter concerned Anthony's marital status. These are quibbles, however, for this is a fascinating and accessible volume. Sherr includes a brief but choice bibliography and notes that most of the selections are in the microfilm edition of *The Papers of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony*, available to library patrons in some areas. Essential for public, high school, and academic libraries. Carolynne Myall, Eastern Washington Univ. Libs., Cheney

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The book itself is quite good, but the Kindle version, as some others have remarked, has many mistakes both in spelling and in dates. For example, take chapter 7 page 82: in the book it says Rachel Foster Avery while the kindle version has her name as Kachel instead of Rachel. Or page 86 where the date in the book 1895 was mistakenly printed in the Kindle ebook as 1805 (which makes no sense). These are just two examples, there are a plethora of errors in the Kindle version. I hope this can be fixed and a new more accurate kindle ebook can be issued.

Magnificent, honorable, undaunted woman! She endured much frustration and disrespect. These letters have touched and inspired me. It is staggering that so much

It was very interesting reading about Susan B. Anthony and her Quaker upbringing. I had no idea that before the rest of women had rights, Quaker women did! Susan worked tirelessly for women's rights (and to abolish slavery) along with many other women such as Elisabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott and so on. The reader gets to witness Susan's own thoughts through her own letters and diary entries.

Most of us (both men and women) who take the right to vote for granted have no way to comprehend the struggle it was for those who fought and won that right. I thoroughly enjoyed reading Susan B. Anthony's own words from the beginning of her work with her friend and fellow reformist Elizabeth Cady Stanton in the mid 1800s to her death in 1906. As a secondary school

student, I remember her name being mentioned occasionally, but I had no appreciation of the dedication and determination of this remarkable woman who was truly a pioneer in the women's movement in America. A compelling, important read.

Susan B Anthony is my heroess. This Author doe not change any of Susan's words at all it is like Susan is right there telling Lynn how to write the book. Beautifully written and I just love Susan B Anthony. She was divinely driven to save the future women of today from extreme abuse and what amazes me is she was so ahead of her time. We are still fighting for equal pay rights and job discrimination. I love her and the Author

Wonderfully written and amazingly researched story about Susan B. Anthony. I'm an avid reader and this is one of my all time favorites. Young girls should read this book to gain an appreciation of what had to take place for women to be seen as equals in today's society. Such a long and hard fight to win our right to vote!

The Kindle version of this book is extremely disappointing. The scan is so bad, it has dates that are 100 years off from the actual history. I cannot use the Kindle version of this book for any kind of accurate research, I will now have to invest in a paper copy if I want accuracy. , I want my money back!

I loved this book,Lynn Sherr extensively researched all the private writings of Susan B. Anthony. Anthony was a prolific writer and Sherr left no part of her research uncovered. I used this book as background information for a character interpretation that I did to my high school class. This book turned out to be a main source for me. I especially enjoyed all the quotes, journal entries, and snippets about all the other people Anthony came into contact with and personal information about Anthony.

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