

Kids write their

And when they do, they're often outrageously funny

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IN MOST STATES, you have to be 21 to vote for a Congressman. But there's no age limitation placed on who can write him—and nobody knows this better than America's kids.

They regularly take pen, pencil, or crayon in hand and express their thoughts in no uncertain terms to their Congressmen—or even to somebody else's.

Some of the letters are zany, some have the urgency of a telegram—and all of them are uninhibited. Here is a selection of such letters to Congressmen, in which the truth is expressed as only kids can do it.

Chairman
Legislative Branch
Washington, D.C.
Dear Chairman:

Why this business of having two senators for every state? One is plenty. Sure you would have to work a little harder, but we must all do our part to help in these times. You should say a speech about it and resign.

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Senator Ernest Gruening
The Senate
Washington, D.C.
Dear Senator Gruening:

A question arose in my mind while I was hearing the news last night. I do not get paid for coming to school. May I see someone about my unemployment check?

Dennis S

Mrs. Catherine May
Congressional Building
Washington, D.C.
Dear Mrs. May:

I am a Baptist and a Brownie. May I join the Republicans besides, or would this give me a confecting interest?

Marie W

Senator Harry Byrd
Senate Office
Washington, D.C.
Dear Senator Byrd:

This is to inform you that I am going to name my baby after you if I get married and he is a boy and he is my fourth one. You are fourth on my list.

Jane Y



Chairman
Rules Committee
Congress
Dear Chairman:

Get me the official rules for football (touch) so I can practice to be President. Thank you very much.

Lloyd L

Senator Everett Dirksen
Senate Bldg.
Washington, D.C.
Dear Senator Dirksen:

All my friends are running for president, so I am choosing something else. Of all these people, who makes more: a governor or senator or house of representative, so when I run I will know. I plan on thinking of my family as well as my career.

Sincerely,
Hal K

Congressman Thomas Pelly
Congress Building
Washington, D.C.
Dear Congressman Pelly,

Have you made up your opinion on China yet? Please send it to me and I would like to see it. I already have my opinion, so don't give any facts if you don't mind.

Thank you,
Gilbert S

Congressman John Jarman
The Capital
Washington, D.C.
Dear Congressman Jarman,

I would like your autograph. Please mail it in a plain envelope as long as my folks are Democrats.

Randall B

Congressman Craig Hosmer
U.S. Congress
Washington, D.C.
Dear Congressman Hosmer:

Write me something. Make it a person to person letter. I don't mind what you say if you will only do it in your own hand.

Sincer

Oh, write two letters while you think of it because I think I know where I can sell one.

Sincerely,
Charles H



Senator Philip Hart
The U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C.
Dear Senator Hart:

Have a bubble gum. I became a brother this morning.

Arthur A

Congressmen

—and embarrassingly truthful

Senator Clair Engle
The Senate
Washington, D.C.
Dear Senator Engle;

I paid Timmy the .27¢ I owed him so dont forget to minus it from the national debt.

David J



Senator Thomas Dodd
US Senate
Washington, DC.
Dear Senator Dodd,

Oughtn't you to know that Jan keeps her fingers crossed when she sings the Star-Spangled Banner?

Diana B

Senator Carl Curtis
Nebraska Section
Congress, Washington
Dear Senator Curtis,

Congratulate me! Really it is because of you I won tho. We had a game in school today to see who could guess a senator from Kansas and I won. I said you and since you are from Nebraska I was the closest.

Thanks again,
Maynard T

Senator William Proxmire
Wash. D.C.

Dear Senator Proxmire:
I would like to visit the senate but is it like visiting a doctor and would I have to take everything off?

Respectfully,
George B

Illinois representative
House of representatives
Washington, D.C.
Dear Sir:

Mrs. Howell has been explaining you to us but don't worry anyway because we are all below 21.

Kim W

Congressman Morris Udall
House of representatives
Congress
Dear Congressman Udall:

Are you a democrat or a republican so I can know who the mean ones aren't?

Abbie T

Senator Kenneth Keating
Washington
Dear Senator Keating,

Send me all the information you have on proper manners and don't think it is my idea.

Freddie G



Congressman John Dent
Washington
Dear Congressman Dent:

I am a future inventor. Tell me some of the inventions of the future so I can start on them now.

Jeff R

Senator Edward Long
Washington, D.C.
Dear Senator Long:

Stop reading your icky letters and get to work.

Walter B

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