



Declaration of the Rights of the Child



Principle 1

The child shall enjoy all the rights set forth in this Declaration. Every child, without any exception whatsoever, shall be entitled to these rights, without distinction or discrimination on account of race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status, whether of himself or of his family.

Principle 3

The child shall be entitled from his birth to a name and a nationality.

Principle 5

The child who is physically, mentally or socially handicapped shall be given the special treatment, education and care required by his particular condition.

Principle 7

The child is entitled to receive education, which shall be free and compulsory, at least in the elementary stages. He shall be given an education which will promote his general culture and enable him, on a basis of equal opportunity, to develop his abilities, his individual judgment, and his sense of moral and social responsibility, and to become a useful member of society. The child shall have full opportunity for play and recreation, which should be directed to the

Principle 9

The child shall be protected against all forms of neglect, cruelty and exploitation. He shall not be the subject of traffic, in any form. The child shall not be admitted to employment before an appropriate minimum age.



Principle 2

The child shall enjoy special protection and shall be given opportunities and facilities, by law and by other means, to enable him to develop physically, mentally, morally, spiritually and socially in a healthy and normal manner and in conditions of freedom and dignity.

Principle 4

The child shall enjoy the benefits of social security. He shall be entitled to grow and develop in health. The child shall have the right to adequate nutrition, housing, recreation and medical services.

Principle 6

The child, for the full and harmonious development of his personality, needs love and understanding. He shall, wherever possible, grow up in the care and under the responsibility of his parents, and, in any case, in an atmosphere of affection and of moral and material security. Society and the public authorities shall have the duty to extend particular care to children without a family and to those without adequate means of support.

Principle 8

The child shall in all circumstances be among the first to receive protection and relief.

Principle 10

The child shall be protected from practices which may foster racial, religious and any other form of discrimination. He shall be brought up in a spirit of understanding, tolerance, friendship among peoples, peace and universal brotherhood, and in full consciousness that his energy and talents should be devoted to the service of his fellow men.



Which principle is about...

equal access to education	
adequate healthcare	
attention from both parents	
development of full potential	
food and nutrition	
freedom from discrimination	
freedom of thought	
having a loving and caring family	
having an identity	
protection from abuse	
protection from child labour	
protection from neglect	
protection from trafficking	
recreation	
special treatment	
equal opportunities	
priority	



Did you know?

1. In which year was the United Nations founded? _____
2. Who was the first Secretary-General? _____
3. Who is the present Secretary-General? _____
4. What are the UN soldiers called? _____
5. Where is the Headquarters of UNESCO? _____
6. Who is the present Director-General of UNESCO? _____
7. What does ILO stand for? _____
8. What does WHO stand for? _____
9. What does FAO stand for? _____
10. What does UNICEF stand for? _____



SUGGESTED ANSWERS!!!!

1. equal access to education	7
2. adequate healthcare	4
3. attention from both parents	6
4. development of full potential	2
5. food and nutrition	4
6. freedom from discrimination	1
7. freedom of thought	7
8. having a loving and caring family	6
9. having an identity	3
10. protection from abuse	9
11. protection from child labour	9
12. protection from neglect	9
13. protection from trafficking	9
14. recreation	7, 4
15. special treatment	5
16. equal opportunities	2
17. priority	8

QUESTIONNAIRE KEY

1. In 1945
2. Trygve Lie (Norway)
3. Ban Ki-moon of South Korea, who took office on 1 January 2007
4. Blue helmets
5. In Paris, France
6. Irina Bokova (Bulgaria)
7. International Labour Organisation
8. World Health Organisation
9. Food and Agriculture Organisation
10. United Nations Children's Fund