### WALT: Explore the meaning of words in context

# **UN Convention** on the Rights of the Child

In Child Friendly Language





An example of one of the articles in the UN Convention rights of the child document:

As a child you are entitled to something called rights. These "rights" mean that

you should have these things provided for you. This means that adults, parents/guardians/teachers, oversee making sure you are well-cared for and







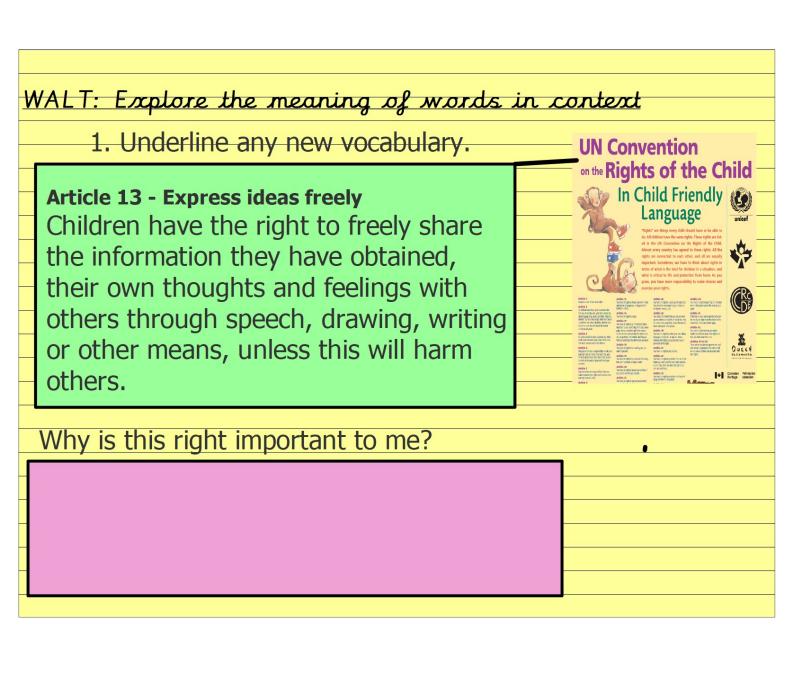


#### **Article 3**

protected from harm.

All adults should do what is best for you. When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children.

There are 54 articles in total!



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Task:

Children have the right to <u>freely share</u>

the <u>information</u> they have <u>obtained</u>, their own thoughts and feelings with others through speech, drawing, writing or other means, unless this will harm others.

find things out.

form an opinion/
suggestion/idea/
thought or feeling
about the informatio

Share with others

### Why is this right important to me?

This right is important to me because it means that I can share how I feel about something in a way that is comfortable for me.

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#### **Article 31**

You have the right to play and rest.

#### Article 2

All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their religion is, whether they are a boy or girl, what their culture is, whether they have a disability, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated unfairly on any basis.

#### **Article 15**

You have the right to choose your own friends and join or set up groups, as long as it isn't harmful to others.

#### **Article 27**

You have the right to food, clothing, a safe place to live and to have your basic needs met. You should not be disadvantaged so that you can't do many of the things other kids can do.

#### **Article 17**

You have the right to get information that is important to your well-being, from radio, newspaper, books, computers and other sources. Adults should make sure that the information you are getting is not harmful, and help you find and understand the information you need.

### **Article 37**

No one is allowed to punish you in a cruel or harmful way.

#### Tasks

Underline any new words that you don't understand in the articles.

- Can you select at least I word in your article to explain.
- Justify why you think this right is important to you. Use the word mat to help you start your sentences.

\*Repeat this for at least 3 of the rights.

## Opinion

sentence starters...

I think...
I believe...

I prefer...

I feel...

I agree...

I disagree...
Everyone should...

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The best thing about...

In my opinion...