

# CHILDREN'S RIGHTS CARDS



**Save the Children**

These memory cards help children familiarise with their **rights** under the **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child**, the most widely ratified treaty in the world. Knowledge and understanding of rights develops concepts of **equity**, **fairness** and **justice**; when children know their rights, they are **empowered** and more likely to **speak up** when their own or others rights have been violated.

**Preparation** - we know it can be time consuming to make laminated materials. **Get your students to help!**  
Print back to back pages 2 and 3, 4 and 5. Laminate and cut.

**Play** - these cards make a great literacy centre or early finisher activity. Here are some suggestions on how they can be used.

**Memory** - cards are placed face down and children take turns to search for pairs.

**Dice Memory** - A modification on traditional memory; children roll a die before their turn and the number on the die is how many tries they get to find a pair.

**Recall** - In pairs or a small group, player one lays out 5 cards, the player 2 has 1 minute to memorise, then they look away while the player 1 removes a card. Player 2 must then guess which card was removed. If they guess correctly they keep the card. Repeat with the remaining 4 cards, then 3 and so on. Swap roles and see who has the most cards.

**Go Fish** - Each player gets 5 cards, take turns asking each other for a specific card, to make a pair. If you don't make a pair you must pick up a card from the pile. Play until all cards are played and the winner has the most pairs.



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right to be  
treated fairly.



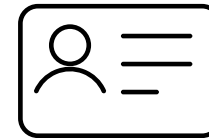
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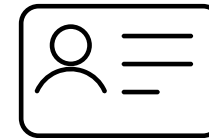
You have a  
right to survive  
and grow in a  
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You have the  
right to a  
name and  
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The government  
must ensure  
your rights are  
respected.



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Adults must do  
what is best  
for you.



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You have the right  
to live with your  
parents or whānau  
if it is safe.



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You have a right to  
have your views  
heard.



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You have a right to  
express your  
opinions.



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You have a right to  
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what you want, and  
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You have a right  
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You have a  
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privacy.



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You have a right to  
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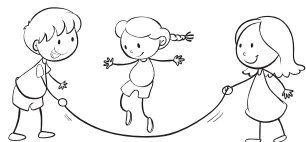


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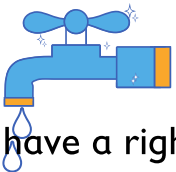
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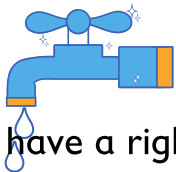
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You have a right to health - this includes clean water, healthy food and medical care.



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Your whānau have the right to financial help from the government if they cannot provide for all your needs.



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You have the right to basic needs such as food, clothing, and a safe home.



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You have a right to a quality education and teachers at school must respect you.



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Your education must develop your unique personality, talents and abilities.



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You have a right to practice your home language and culture.



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You have the right to be safe from all forms of violence, war, drugs and abuse.



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You have a right to learn about your rights!



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If you are accused of breaking the law, you have the right to be treated fairly and to get help from a lawyer.



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