



It's only right

3 Reading and language in use: The Rights of the Child

- a) Complete the text about children and their rights. For each gap, choose a verb (V) and an adverb (A) from the boxes.

V eat • listen • ~~live~~ • play • say •
treat • work • talk

+ A carefully • badly • freely • happily •
hard • healthily • sadly • ~~well~~

All children should feel safe and live well **1**. However, lots of children have to work hard **2** to earn money and help their family. It's sad that some adults don't accept that children have rights and beat them badly **3**. Some children talk sadly **4** about their lives because they've had some experiences that still make them unhappy. Children should be allowed to play happily **5**, have some free time and toys. Kids should also be able to eat healthily **6** and have safe drinking water. Children are allowed to say freely **7** what they think should happen in their lives. Of course, adults should listen carefully when children talk about their ideas and opinions. Adults mustn't forget that children have rights.

- b) Match each children's right with a sentence below.

1. You have the right to a good education.

2. You should not have to do work that is bad for your health and education.

3. You have a right to follow your family's tradition.

4. You have the right to get information that is important for your well-being.

5. You have the right to play and rest.



- 2** Adults aren't allowed to make you work too hard.
1 Every child should be allowed to go to school.
5 You are allowed to have some free time.
4 You should be allowed to use books and computers to find out about important topics.
3 Children must be allowed to learn about the customs that are important to them.