

Children's Rights

Every child has the right to live this life without fright
To sleep peacefully through the night
Without fear for their lives

Every child needs peace
To develop and grow with ease

Children are the future
It's their rights we need to please
May they forgive those who are bringing them to their knees

Society and traditions should not get in the way
of listening to what our children have to say.

We need to do better by our children
Protect them from harm and do right by them.

May we let them know their voices are heard
And let them understand that they have rights
That as adults for them we will fight.

Do you know your rights?

LINE SETS

Choose the line set that best captures the meaning of the whole text.

Line Set 1

Children do not have rights.
Society does not respect children.

Line Set 2

Every child has rights.
It is important to listen to children's voices.

Line Set 3

Children are our future.
Society and tradition should not get in the way.

Line Set 4

Every child need peace
Children are our future

Child Marriage

Do you know you have rights? 25 years ago, the world made a promise to protect and promote children's rights. Children's rights are designed to support and protect children from harm and abuse. A child is anyone under the age of 18. Unfortunately, some children's rights are ignored in many places around the world. For example, children can be forced to marry in Nepal, India. Nepal has one of the worst rates of child marriages in the world. 41% percent of girls are married before the age of 18. The government says it aims to end child marriage by the year 2030.

Sanjeev, an 18-year old boy, is still angry at his father for arranging his marriage without him knowing. His father said that Nepal society expects their children to get married early as part of culture. The **legal** age for marriage in Nepal is now 18. Still, girls younger than 18 are still being forced to marry as part of their culture. Their rights are being **violated** because of their tradition and culture.

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Line Set 1

Child have the right to marry.
Child marriage began 25 years ago.

Line Set 2

Some children's rights are ignored in many places around the world.
Children have no voice because tradition and culture comes first.

Line Set 3

Nepal has one of the worst rates of child marriages.
Girls younger than 18 are still being forced to marry.

Line Set 4

The legal age for marriage is Nepal is 18.
41% of girls are married before the age of 18.