

HOW TO SUPPORT TODDLERS RIGHTS



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*The early years are a “critical period for realizing children’s rights”
(United Nations 2006, p. 3).*

Toddlers are finding out about their rights by the care and opportunities they receive. They are learning to express themselves, their interdependence with others and how valued they are. They are also beginning to learn about sharing, making choices and their place in the world.

To be loved and have my needs met	Article 6 and 27
To feel safe and secure	Article 19
All those who care for me to talk to each other to understand me better and make sure I feel safe and secure wherever I am.	Article 19
To build strong relationships with those who care for me	Article 18
People to look after me and make sure I am safe and help me grow	Article 6
Encouragement to be ‘me’ and show my personality	Article 7 and 29
Help to understand my big emotions and feelings; these are still so new to me	Article 6
To have plenty of opportunities to play, with space for me to lead the play	Article 31
Explore the world around me and my place in it; starting with what is closest to me	Article 8 and 28
Problem solving and learn to keep trying and be offered support when it gets too much	Article 28
Help to learn how to share with other children	Article 13
You to try and see the world as I do and understand what is important to me	Article 3
You think about what is best for me when you make any decisions about me	Article 3

MY VOICE

Article 12 - right to express his or her views freely in all matters affecting the child, and to have them taken into account. Children are active participants in family, community and society.



You may be able to understand me better now; as I can start to point; lead you places; talk about what I want and need. But not everyone understand or knows my special ways, as I begin to explore the world around me, I need you to speak to the others that care for me and talk about me

I need to be supported to express, make and share my own ideas and thoughts. I need opportunities to make decisions as I explore, play and have the chance to make choices. You may just need to watch me to see what I do; this will help you understand me better.

As you help me to do this, I will gain confidence to do it more



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