

right

1 Verb + right

Use the correct form of these verbs:

campaign for	give	know
stand up for	have	abuse

1. Just because you're older than me doesn't you the right to tell me what to do!
2. Don't let them push you around. You've got to your rights.
3. You can't arrest me without charging me. I my rights. So, what am I meant to have done?
4. Reports suggest that human rights are being systematically in their prisons.
5. Martin Luther King civil rights for black people in the US in the 1960's.
6. Everyone the right to freedom of speech.

Now match the two halves of these sentences:

7. The police officer told the prisoner that he had the right
 8. The management of this club reserve the right
 9. We must respect the rights of independent states
 10. Our company has been granted the exclusive rights
 11. When the Prince married a divorced woman, he gave up his right
- a. to become king.
b. to govern themselves.
c. to distribute Heinle books in India.
d. to refuse entrance to anyone under the influence of alcohol.
e. to remain silent.

2 Common expressions

Match these halves:

1. I have a lot of respect for
 2. I don't know
 3. You can't walk along this path.
 4. I don't agree with some of the tactics of
 5. You have no right
- a. to treat anyone like that!
b. It's not a right of way.
c. the animal rights people.
d. the civil rights movement.
e. the rights and wrongs of the situation.

3 Common adjective collocations

Use the following adjectives in these sentences:

automatic	basic	equal
every	legal	human

1. In a democratic society free speech is a right.
2. Why should people who are found guilty have the right of appeal? I just don't understand!
3. How can the government claim to support rights when there are so few women in important positions in the party?
4. I would check with a lawyer first, if you're unsure of your rights.
5. After the way you've been treated, you have right to complain.
6. Food, shelter, education, clothing, health care are all basic rights.

4 Noun + preposition + rights

Use the prepositions in the sentences below:

on within to for (x2) of

1. The new government affirmed its commitment equal rights.
2. Should we intervene in the internal affairs of countries where there are serious abuses human rights?
3. For many years Germaine Greer has been an indefatigable campaigner women's rights.
4. There is a lot of competition between airlines the right to fly between London and New York.
5. The President vigorously defended his country's record human rights.
6. I think if you refuse to pay the bill, you are acting well your rights. After all, the TV doesn't work!

Notes

1. Note the following:
The house belongs to me by right. I inherited it from my grandfather.
2. Note how we say someone's behaviour is wrong:
You have no right to park in front of my house!