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This week we are looking at Article 22- The Rights of Refugee Children

# Refugee Week

Imagine a kinder world

Article 22 of the UNCRC is about refugees.

A child or young person is a refugee if they have had to leave their country to escape war, persecution or natural disaster.

Children and young people who are refugees have the right to special protection and help whether they've come to the UK with other people or not.

Refugee children and young people don't lose any of their rights under the UNCRC just because they've come from one country to another.

Specific things they have the right to include:

medical treatment

education

shelter.

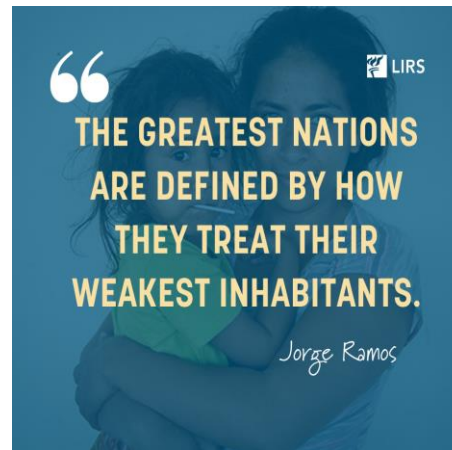
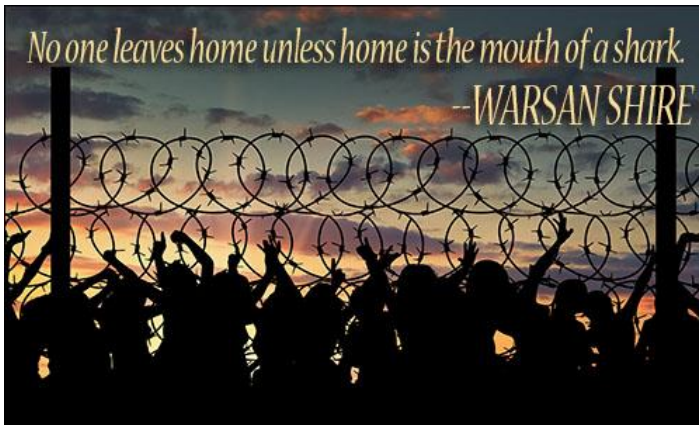
Did you know that it was  
Refugee Week last week?



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# Aim of today

- To raise your awareness of the plight of refugees and try to get you to empathise.
- To help you grow on your journey to being a global citizen.



# Some key terms to understand

Asylum seeker	Someone who leaves their homeland and arrives in another country. They make themselves known to the government and submit an 'asylum application' so they can be seen as a refugee in another country. They have a legal right to stay in the country while their application is processed.
Refugee	Someone who has proven to the government that they would be at risk if returned to their home country. They have had their application for asylum accepted by the government. They can now stay there either long-term or indefinitely.
Migrant	Someone who has left or fled their home to go to new places to seek opportunities or safer and better prospects. This term can mean anyone who has left their country for any reason.
Persecution	Mistreating someone because of who they are. It may be because of their race, religion, nationality because they belong to a particular social group or their political opinion.

# Definition activity: what is empathy?

What does the word “empathy”  
mean to you?

Did you know?

51% of refugees are under 18s

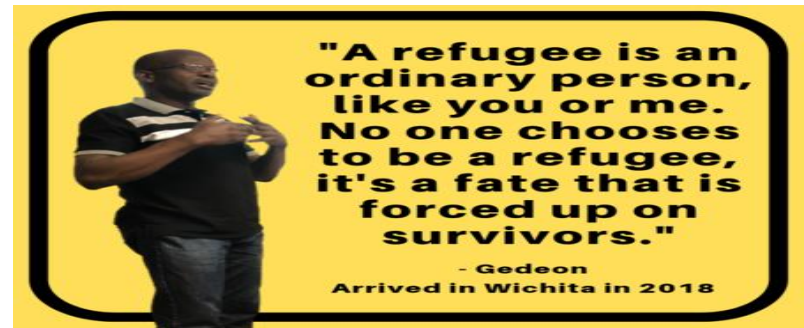
1/3 of refugees have degrees

Refugees make up only 0.24% of the UK population

13.5m people in Syria need humanitarian assistance

Do you think refugees  
are always treated  
with dignity and  
respect when they  
arrive in the UK?

# Imagine it was you



- Your friend doesn't understand the homework, they think it is too difficult for them. The teacher has explained but, they still don't understand. The teacher won't explain it again in a different way.
- Your family member wants to share a story with the family about something significant to them. Nobody is listening to them.
- Someone in your class is being told off for something they didn't do. The adult won't listen to their side of the story. They are blaming them because they just think they are a "troublemaker".
- Someone is calling your friend names. Other people are laughing.

How do you feel about these scenarios? Would you feel angry? Would you feel that people had been treated unfairly?

Watch this link after you have done activity:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OUpsWCvE38&list=PLYFf1wOwAZJAsb6H6Lcb25yphpcndcOPH&index=2>

“If we try and understand each other, we may even become friends”

Maya Angelou

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RBQ-1oHfimQ&feature=youtu.be>



In countries where people have to flee their homes because of persecution and violence, political solutions must be found, peace and tolerance restored, so that refugees can return home. In my experience, going home is the deepest wish of most refugees.

— Angelina Jolie —

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What do you think this means?

How can understanding someone help you to be friends with them?

How is understanding and empathising with others an act of kindness



Watch these two clips: They really help you to understand and empathise about how difficult it is for refugee children.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L3o-Tr8cxqc>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kve20N4WejU>

- As A Rights Respecting School, it's important to understand the hardships that refugees face.
- It's important to develop empathy and compassion for the human race. This helps us to become global citizens.
- A **global citizen** is someone who is aware of and understands the wider world - and their place in it. They take an active role in their community, and work with others to make our planet more equal, fair and sustainable.
- **Global citizenship** is all about encouraging young people to develop the knowledge, skills and values they need to engage with the world. It's about the belief that we can all make a difference.
- **Help us to plan for next year: take 2 minutes to complete this poll to see what charities we should support in 2020-2021**
- <https://teams.microsoft.com/l/message/19:aa63e276fcd5462d998c1c72312e6a7b@thread.tacv2/1592915607024?tenantId=0b935855-9f81-43c5-a501-81dbcf3dd679&groupId=e0a0e4e4-c407-4f8d-a49a-f61d5fe4e062&parentMessageId=1592915607024&teamName=AllStudentsTeam&channelName=General&createdTime=1592915607024>