

Youth-orientated version of Convention No. 182: Word Bank

Child prostitution	When a child has sex in return for money or other rewards. Children may be forced into prostitution by other people or because they have no other way to survive. Child prostitution is against the law and is one of the worst forms of child labour.
Convention No. 138	An international agreement that all countries will set a minimum age under which children cannot be allowed to work. For most work, children will have to be at least 15 years old, but for dangerous work, the age should be set at 18.
Convention No. 182	An international agreement that all countries will abolish the worst forms of child labour for all children under 18.
Discrimination	Treating a person or particular group of people differently because of, for example, their skin colour, ethnic group, religion or sex.
Employers' organizations	Organizations or groups that represent the point of view and the rights of employers.
Gender	A child is born male or female – this is his or her sex. As they grow up to be a boy or girl, and then a man or woman, they learn what is expected of them in their particular society and culture – this is gender.
Human rights and child rights	Rights belonging to everyone because they are human, including rights to basic freedoms, and to have what they need to survive, develop and participate in society. Adults have rights and so do children.
International Labour Organisation (ILO)	A specialized UN agency which works for the rights of all people who work. It was founded in 1919. It has a separate section looking into the rights of working children called IPEC (The International Programme for the Elimination of Child Labour).
ILO Conventions	International agreements on a subject, that are drawn up by Governments, employers and workers, setting out basic principles and rights at work.
International Law	Laws that most countries have signed up to and have agreed to follow.
IPEC	The International Programme for the Elimination of Child Labour, a special section of the ILO which works to progressively get rid of child labour.
Mistreatment	Treating someone badly.
Neglect	Not being looked after properly, failing to care.
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization – organizations that are not part of a government and are not working to make a profit. Many NGOs exist to help people who need assistance (such as those living in poverty or with a disability), or to protect something (such as animals or plants).
Pornography	Printed or visual material (books, magazines, films, etc.) showing naked people or sexual acts, that is intended to stimulate sexual excitement.
Ratification	The process of signing up to a treaty or international agreement, to say that your country will abide by it and make sure that all citizens obey that agreement.
Rehabilitation	Returning someone or something to a good or healthy condition and state or way of living.
Street children	A street child or street kid is a child who lives or works on the street – in particular, one that is not taken care of by parents or other adults – and who sleeps on the street because he or she does not have a home.
Trafficking	Illegal trading (buying, selling and movement). This can be the trafficking of people, especially women and young girls for sexual or labour purposes, but also men and boys. This takes place in a country from rural to urban areas and across the borders from different countries, especially between richer and poorer countries.

United Nations (UN)	The UN (United Nations) was created after the Second World War to provide a place for all the countries in the world to discuss issues and solve problems that affect them all. The UN is base in New York and Geneva, but also has offices in other countries. For more information see: www.un.org You can also find out more at www.un.org/cyberschoolbus and play an interactive game about our "Rights at Work" at: http://www.un.org/cyberschoolbus/3PLUSU/intro.html
Workers' organizations	Organizations or groups that represent the point of view and the rights of workers (trade unions).
Youth-Orientated	Designed for young people and understandable to them.