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The European Union (EU for short) is a group of 27 countries that work together.

Children’s rights are promises that the EU and governments made so children can have a good life.

Here are some examples of children’s rights

- to be safe
- to play
- to learn
- to have a say

The EU will collect information and teach people about children’s rights.

Governments and others will learn from each other how best to put children’s rights into practice.

The EU will spend money on things that are needed so that children enjoy their rights.

Did you know?

The biggest set of children’s rights promises is called the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).
The top 6 things that the EU plans to do to put Children’s Rights into practice

Children will have a say in decisions about them.

Children will get good education and healthcare and families will have enough money.

Children will be kept safe and get help if they have been harmed.

All children will be able to use the internet and enjoy it safely.

Police, judges and lawyers will treat children fairly and listen to them.

Children all over the world will be helped to enjoy their rights.

Did you know? When making the plan the EU talked to lots of people, including 10,000 children.
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