



Right to Freedom of Expression

What is the Right to Freedom of Expression?

The right to freedom of expression means every child can freely share their thoughts, ideas, and feelings. This includes speaking, writing, drawing, and using social media.

Acts and Sections

- Constitution of India:
 - o Article 19(1)(a): Freedom of speech and expression.

Why is it Important?

It's important because expressing yourself helps you communicate, learn, and grow. It also allows you to participate in your community and make your voice heard.

Key Points of the Right to Freedom of Expression:

- 1. Speak Freely: Every child can speak their mind, as long as it doesn't harm others.
- 2. **Access Information:** You have the right to find and share information from different sources.
- 3. **Respect and Responsibility:** While you can express your thoughts, you should also respect others' rights and opinions.
- 4. **Creative Expression:** You can express yourself through art, music, writing, and other creative activities.
- 5. Safe Environment: Schools and communities should create safe spaces for children to express themselves without fear.



What Should a Child Do if Their Freedom of Expression is Limited?

- 1. Tell an Adult: Inform a parent, teacher, or counsellor if you feel you can't express yourself.
- 2. Report the Issue: Inform school authorities or relevant child protection agencies.
- 3. Seek Support: Contact child helplines or organizations that support child rights.
- 4. Know Your Rights: Learn about your rights so you can stand up for yourself.
- 5. Legal Help: In serious cases, seek help from a lawyer.

