

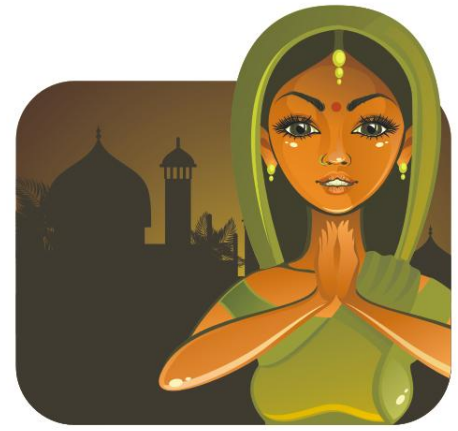


Human Rights Grades 4-6
Supplementary Activity

Meena's Dilemma

Learning Objectives

Identify some of the main challenges that girls face in India
Connect Meena's story to the convention on the rights of the child



Materials

Story handout
Questions handout
Materials from the Convention on the Rights of the Child activity

Time 2 hours

Individual or Group Work

Read this story and answer the questions below.

Note to teachers: Some are comprehension questions while others are higher-order (reflection) questions.

QUESTIONS:

1. Where does Meena live?
2. How many brothers and sisters does Meena have?
3. Name 3 reasons why Meena stopped going to school.
4. What did Meena do after she left school?
5. How did Meena feel when she first left school?
6. Why did Meena ask to go back to school?
7. Why couldn't Meena go back to school?
8. How many kids in India are like Meena and have to work?
9. Why did Meena's brothers get to go to school?
10. What was Meena's dilemma?

Class Discussion

Connect this story to the activity on the convention of the rights of the child.

Which of the Articles in the Convention does Meena definitely not have? (4, 5, 26, 28, 29)

Which ones does she have? (6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 18, 21)

Which ones are in-between? (12)

Which ones could be taken away because of her situation? (17, 24, 31, 32)