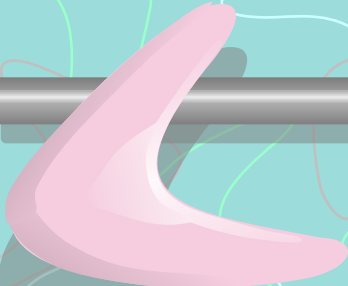


# ***IS IT EASY TO BE YOUNG ?***



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## **PRESENTATION FOR THE STUDENTS OF THE 10th FORM**



# ***“BEING A TEENAGER” – WHAT DOES IT MEAN?***

**It means**

- **having everything for the first time**
- **being with friends**
- **having problems with parents**
- **taking a lot of exams**
- **having problems with skin**
- **going to parties and discotheques**
- **lacking understanding on the part of people who surround him**
- **learning to take the consequences of actions**



# *What are teens' life ambitions?*

**They want to**



- Enjoy life

- Be independent

- Express their individuality

- Be taken seriously

- Earn money

- Do well at school

- Have their own values and beliefs

- Try out all sort of options





# *What problems worry young people ?*

- Family problems
- Personal problems
- School problems
- Violence
- Aggressiveness
- Cruelty
- Drug addiction
- Drinking problems
- Poverty
- Discrimination

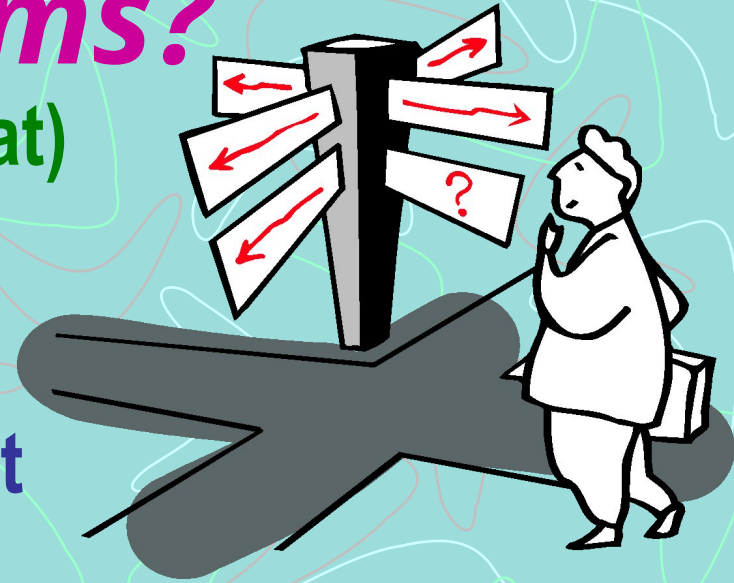


# *What are the reasons of the teens' problems?*



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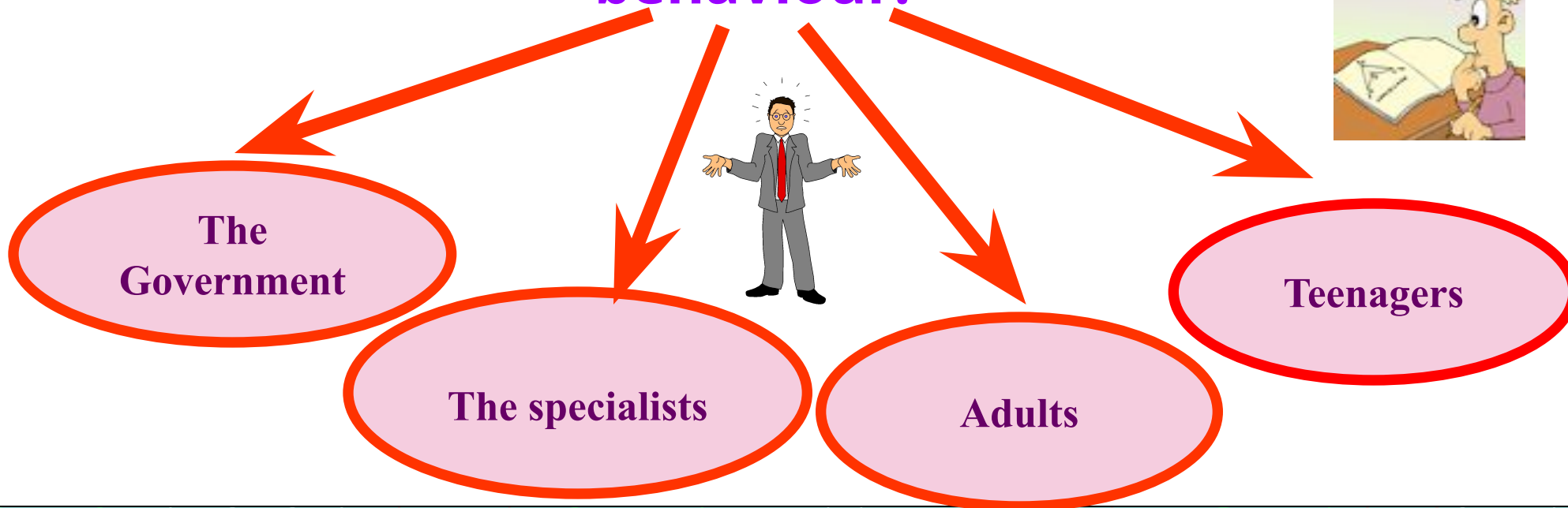
- Teens get depressed and upset
- They are badly treated at home
- Their parents are quite indifferent
- Teens are not taken seriously
- They can't solve their problems themselves
- The system of our life
- The changes of the society



# Young People – Old Problems

Nowadays, more and more social problems are associated with being young.

Different people explain the reasons for teenagers' behaviour:



• **The Government says that violence, AIDS, drugs, alcohol are more and more associated with youngste**



**The specialists explain that the changes in our society force young people choose their own lifestyle.**



**Adults think that the teenagers are too young to be taken seriously.**

**Teenagers admit that they often cannot solve their problems themselves**







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# EVERYONE HAS RIGHTS, INCLUDING YOU



*To protect children's rights the United Nations has worked out an international agreement called the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. It gives you different rights.*





# RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

- Are divided into



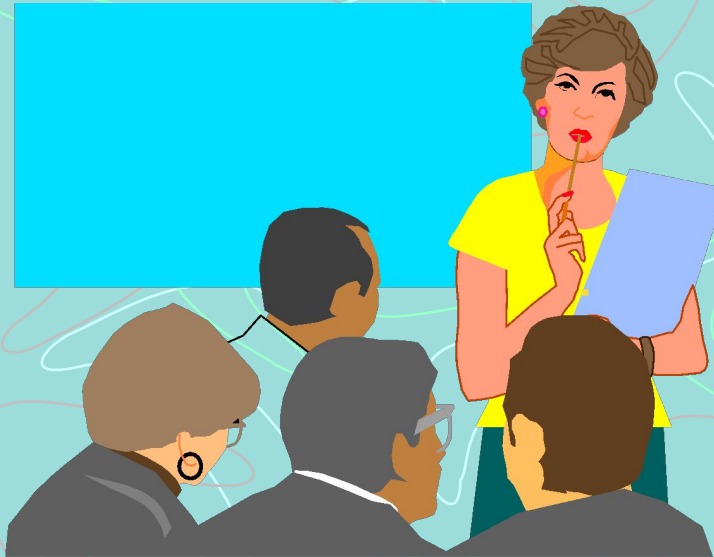
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# ***Do You Know These Rights?***

## **All Children have**

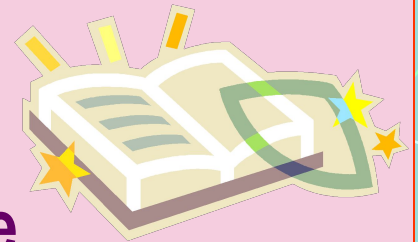
- **The right to non-discrimination**
- **The right to life**
- **The right to name and nationality at birth**
- **The right to health and health care**
- **The right to education and development**
- **The right to leisure**
- **The right to express their views**
- **The right to information**
- **The right to meet other people**
- **The right to privacy**
- **The right to take a full and active part in everyday life**
- **The right to protection**





***The difference between rule, law, regulation, obligation and right : (from the dictionary)***

- **Rule**-1.law or custom which guides or controls behaviour or action:~s of the game.2.something that can or must be done according to regulation.
- **Law** - rule made by authority for the proper regulation of a community or society.
- **Regulation** – rule, order ; authoritative direction.
- **Obligation** – duty that shows what action must be taken(e.g.:the power of the law, a sense of what is right).
- **Right** – something one may do or have by law, authority, etc.: human~.





***There are a lot of organisations all over the world that help people to cope with their problems.***

- **The NSPCC** – National Security for the Protection of Cruelty to Children was founded in Britain in 1884. It helps children. The NSPCC has inspectors all over the country. Some people who work there are volunteers. Everybody who has a suspicion that a child is being treated badly can inform one of the inspectors or even write a letter. This organisation also includes child health care, the care and the protection of single parents.





## *The organisation "SAVE the CHILDREN"*

- This organisation was founded in 1990 in Latvia by initiative of a children's doctor Inguna Ebele. Experts and specialists investigate into the family's situation, work out documents aimed at the improvement of this situation. More than 1000 members work there nowadays.
- A centre responsible for implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child was founded in Latvia.



# ALL FAMILIES HAVE RULES

What rules does your family have?

## MY PARENTS



Allow me  
to...



Let me...



Make  
me...



Forbid  
me...

# **MY PARENTS ALLOW ME:**

- To watch what I want on TV
- To eat what I want and like
- To have my pocket money
- To dress the way I want
- To drive the car
- To decide what to do after finishing school
- To make friends with a boy or a girl



# **MY PARENTS LET ME**

- Choose my own friends
- Get a part time job
- Cook dinner for myself
- Spend my pocket money
- Go to discos
- Wear jeans to school
- Organize parties at home





# ***MY PARENTS MAKE ME***

- be home by 11 o'clock
- wear school uniform
- help about the house
- do my lessons
- show my school diary
- read books
- play musical instruments
- be always carefully



# **MY PARENTS FORBID ME**

- to stay late at night
- to smoke
- to drink alcohol
- to wear jeans to school
- to organize parties at home
- to drive a car
- to watch film for adults on TV



Teenagers like wearing T-shirts  
with messages on them:

Enjoy life as it is!

SAY YES TO LOVE!  
SAY YES TO LIFE!

Say NO to drugs!  
Life for fun!

Always ready for actions!

Everyone has right to BE FREE!

Put alcohol out of fashion!



Love me!



# *Poems with rules decided for young people by adults*

**“ Learn well your grammar,  
And never stammer,  
Write well and neatly,  
And sing most sweetly”.**

***Edward Lear***



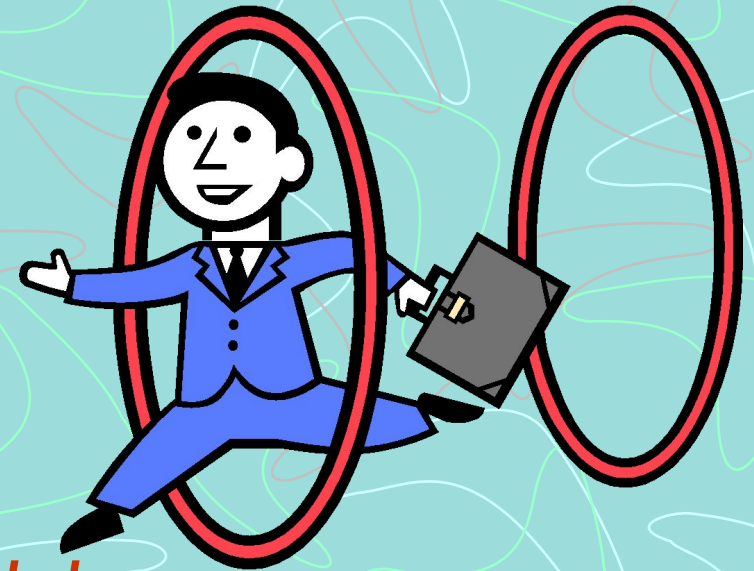




# ***YOU ARE THE OLDEST***

***You who are the oldest,  
You who are the tallest,  
Don't you think you ought to help  
The youngest and the smallest?***

***You who are the strongest,  
You who are the quickest,  
Don't you think you ought to help  
The weakest and the sickest?***



**Burgess**

**Gelett**



# *“For a child”*

**A child should always say what's true  
And speak when he is spoken to,  
And behave mannerly at the table;  
At least as far as he is able.**

**Robert Louis Stevenson**



# *"Do as I say!"*

Take out the papers and the trash,  
Or you don't get no spending cash.  
You ain't gonna rock and roll no more.  
Yakety-yak.  
Don't tack back.



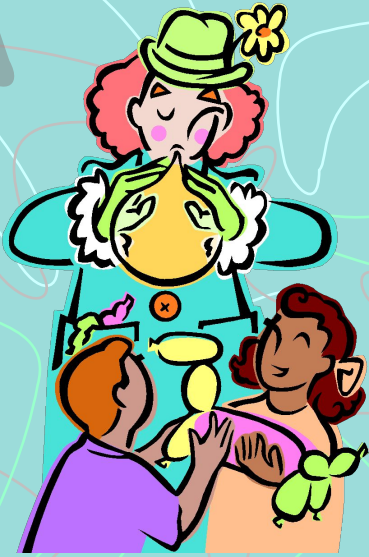
Just finish cleaning up your room,  
Let's see the dust fly with that broom,  
Get all the garbage out of sight,  
Or you don't go out Friday night.

Don't you give me no dirty looks,  
Your mother hip, she knows what cook.  
Just tell your hoodlum friend outside,  
You ain't got time to take a ride.



J. Leiber and M. Stoller

# **“ MY RIGHTS ”**



**I claim the human right to live.  
I claim the human right to love.  
I claim the human right to work.  
I claim the right of every child to eat.**



**You should have the right to talk  
And of course the right to leisure.  
You should have the right to rest  
And enjoy **the life for pleasure.****