What a child needs

TAPORI brings together children from different backgrounds in a spirit of friendship. They learn from children whose daily lives are very different from their own. They reflect and act for a more just world that leaves no one behind.

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"ACTING TOGETHER"
TAPORI CAMPAIGN 2019 - 2020
30th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Hello Tapori members,

Tapori is concerned about how children live, and about the conditions they need to have a healthy and happy life. Tapori also likes to know what children are doing so all children have the same chances.

This year, once more, Tapori is going around the world with a new Campaign. There will be four issues of the Tapori newsletter. They will invite Tapori members to share what children around them are living.

In each of these four newsletters, there will be stories, games and activities. This is the first of the four newsletters.

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The first thing to do is:
Make a bag to keep what you will create during the campaign. Later on, you will show and explain your creations. When you see this yellow flower, put what you have created into the bag.
What you will need:

- A rectangular piece of fabric 18 x 7 inches

- 2 pieces of string, each 32 inches long.

- Some sewing thread, scissors, tape measure or ruler.

How to make your bag:

1. Lay the piece of fabric face down, fold the two short edges over 1 inch and sew it to make a hem.

2. Fold the fabric in half length-wise.
   - Sew the two sides together, 1/4 inch from the edge up to the hem.

3. Pass one string through both hems and the other string through both hems from the opposite side.

4. Make a knot of the two ends of strings on each side. Turn the bag inside out.
   - Your bag is ready!
   - Keep it; you will need it all during the campaign.
Tip:
Each Tapori group will look for **images and objects to show** what they want to say.

1. Each group writes their own ideas on a sheet of paper. If there are many children in the group, they can make several smaller groups.
   Separate your ideas into two categories: things you need to live (basic needs) or things you need to live a happy life (other needs).

2. Find a creative **way to share the ideas**: pictures from magazines, or small objects, or drawings.
   Gather all the ideas from all the groups. Each group presents the pictures and objects that represent the needs.

3. **Compare the difference between “basic needs” and “other needs”**.
   The basic needs are called rights. (See page 5)
   Do some rights surprise you or are there rights you don’t understand? Why?
   Do you know children who don’t have these rights?

4. Put all the objects and pictures in your bag.
   Go to the pictures on page 5 and 7.
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

IDENTITY

FAMILY

EDUCATION AND
LEISURE

FOOD AND
HEALTH

EQUALITY

EXPRESSION

Respect of
DIFFERENCES

JUSTICE
according to age

Protection against
VIOLENCE

Protection against
EXPLOITATION

Protection against
WAR

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What the children say....

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Democratic Republic of Congo

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Tapori Saint Gabriel
Belgium

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Tapori Spain

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