



# Democracy and freedom





Freedom is a word  
we all know but can  
take for granted.

What is freedom?

Freedom

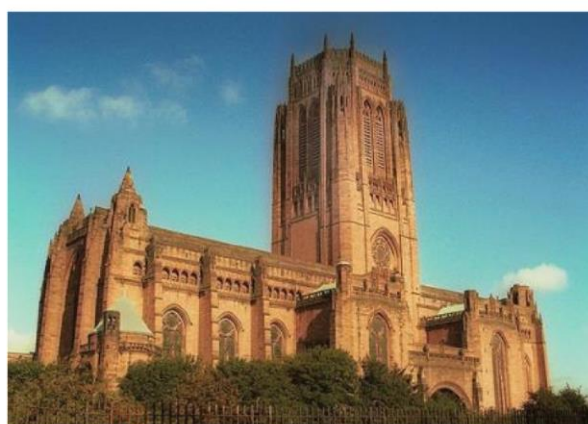




# Having your own taste in music?

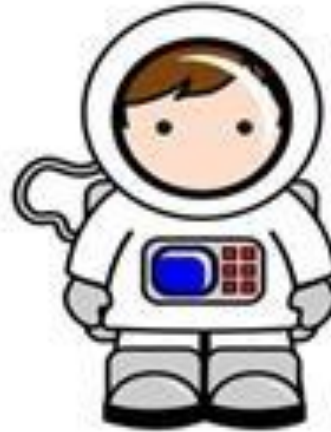


# Being able to follow your faith?





# Choosing a career that interests you?



# Saying and sharing your opinions?





# Having an education?





# Reading whichever book you choose?



# Choosing where you live?





- The freedoms that you enjoy are all **human rights!**
- Human rights are the basic **freedoms** and **rights** that belong to **every** human being!



So why do we  
need  
human rights?





- During the holocaust about six million European Jews were killed - about two-thirds of the population of European Jews.
- Millions of others were also murdered including people with disabilities and anyone who did not agree with the Nazi opinions.
- The total number of Holocaust victims is between 11 million and 17 million people.
- **Human rights help to make sure the Government does not misuse their power and harm their citizens.**

## Protecting people



## **Article 1.**

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.

Universal Declaration of Human Rights



- The **Human Rights Act 1998** is a UK law that exists to make sure the UK Government and public bodies, like schools, police and hospitals, protect your human rights.



# Human Rights Act 1998

- **Some of your human rights include:**

- Freedom from torture and very cruel treatment (Article 3)
- The right to liberty and security (Article 5)
- The right to have your own thoughts, religion and beliefs (Article 9)
- The right to privacy and family life (Article 8)
- Freedom of expression and opinions (Article 10)
- The right to meet people and gather in public places (Article 11)
- The right to an education (Article 2 of Protocol 1)
- The right to vote in elections once you reach the voting age (Article 3 of Protocol 1)

# Human Rights Act 1998



- Human rights help to ensure every human being has the **freedom** to grow to their **potential**.
- When everyone's human rights are protected and balanced, it helps everyone to get along.
- At school we **respect** every student's human rights and believe in helping every student to **achieve their potential**.
- It's important to always try your best at school and to respect each other so you can help to create a **positive learning environment** where **everyone** has an equal chance to reach their potential!



Reach your potential

**Who recognises this  
building?  
Where is it?  
What happens there?**





Guardian TV

UK PM Theresa May calls  
early election for **June 8**

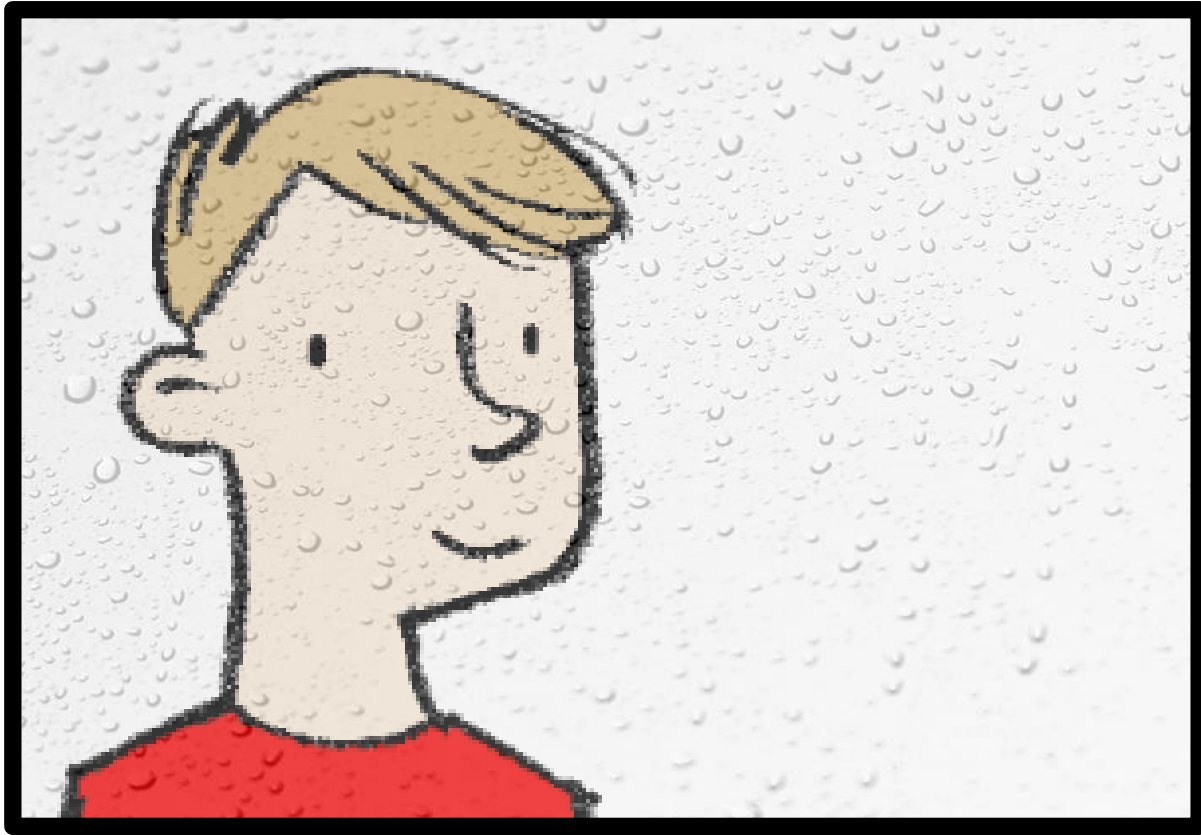


Liberal Democrats



- Which political parties do you know?





Stanley was fed up.  
It had been SATs all week and now  
it was raining!

Stanley's teacher, Mr. Amir had some exciting news about a class trip.



This trip will be a little different as you get to decide where we go!



On Monday  
you will vote  
to decide  
where to go.

☐ Sea Life

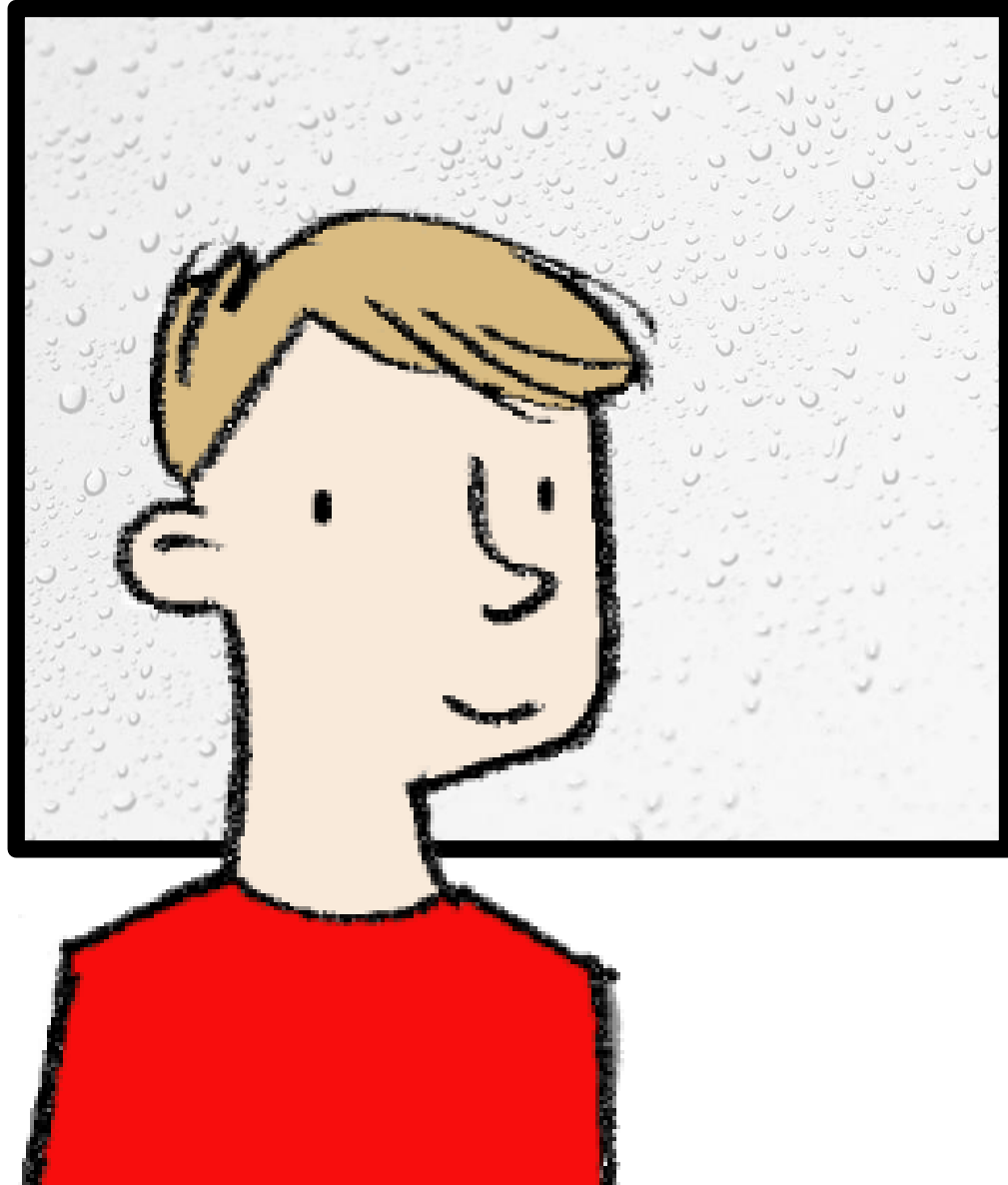
☐ Maritime  
Museum

☐ Glamping in  
Scotland



Mr.Amir asked the children to find out information about each place to help them decide how to vote.





Stanley loved the Sea Life Centre and he liked museums too.

But he had been stuck inside for days and wanted to visit the outdoor glamping centre.



Let's vote for  
outdoor fun!

He decided to write  
down reasons to  
choose the outdoor  
centre. He wanted to  
persuade his class to  
vote for 'outside fun!'



Mr. Amir gave everyone a paper to vote.

☐ Sea Life Centre

☐ Maritime museum

☐ Scottish Outdoor centre

The place that gets  
the most votes will  
be where we go on  
our school trip!



What do you think  
happens next?

Do you think voting is  
a fair way to decide  
where the school trip  
should be?

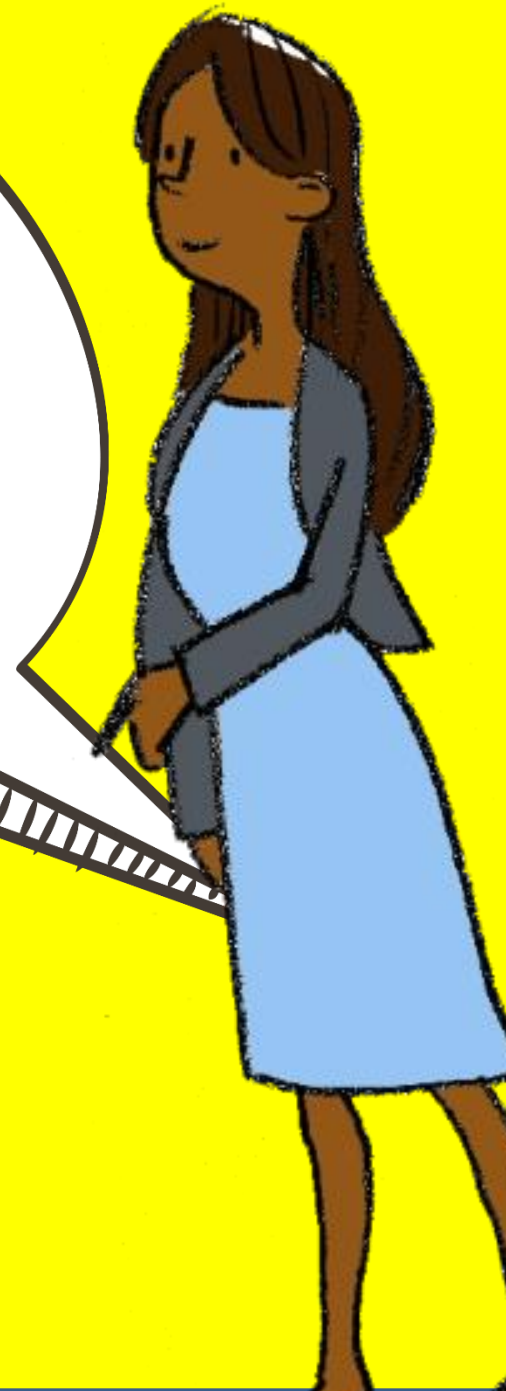


How do we vote  
for things at our school?





During an election, adults vote to choose one person to represent their local area in Parliament. The person with the most votes becomes the MP for that area.



**Let's think...**

Why is it important to have the freedom to vote?

