Safeguarding: I should feel safe and protected. This includes being safe from bullying.

Discrimination: I should be treated fairly and equally.

Health: I should be healthy and happy.

Education: I should be able to go to school, learn, play and make new friends.

Participation: I should be able to take part, join in and be listened to. I should be noticed and not ignored.

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Government have made 42 promises to protect all children and young people. These promises are called Rights. Children are born with these rights and don’t have to earn them.

Poverty: I should have a safe place to live with enough food and clothes to keep me well.

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If you ever feel worried about yourself or anyone else talk to someone. If you feel you cannot talk to an adult you trust like your parent, carer or teacher then please ring Childline on 0800 1111.

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