

# It's Not Fair!

## Aim:

to increase participants' awareness of global inequality and barriers to young people's participation

## Age

10 years and older

## Time

30 minutes

## Materials

Quiz questions, a set of answer sheets for each group, sweets or other reward as appropriate

## Note to Leader

Adapt the quiz to suit the level of your group

## What to do

Break into groups of three people. Explain that you are going to have a quiz. Each group will get a set of answer cards – A, B and C. You will call out a question and three possible answers. They have 30 seconds to decide on the correct answer and then you will say go! One person from the group runs to the top of the room with their answer. The first group up with the correct answer gets a reward.

Hand out the answer sheets but, without alerting them, give some of the groups all A's, B's or C's, others a combination of two of the answers and only give the full set to one group. Arrange the groups so that the group with the complete answer set are near the top of the room.

Begin the quiz. Ignore any questions or comments about the answer cards. After 8 rounds, give all the groups the full set of answer cards. Finish the quiz and declare a winner.

In the full group, ask what happened. How did you feel during the quiz? What helped your participation? What blocked your participation? Does this happen in real life? Ask for examples of when they were encouraged to participate and of when they were prevented from participating.

## Starter Games from Around the World

### Dibibikosh (Ethiopia)

An object such as a ball is placed in the middle of a large space. One person has to close their eyes and count to fifty. The others have to hide within an agreed boundary. The seeker then has to try to find the hiders. When they see someone, they must call their name. The hider tries to reach the object in the centre before being caught. If they are caught, they become the seeker and the game begins again.



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## Quiz Questions

- **Where do most of the world's young people live?**  
A. Africa (15%)  
B. Europe (10%)  
**C. Asia (60%)**

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- **The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is an international human rights instrument that sets out the basic rights of all children and also governments' responsibilities to fulfil their rights. Which article in the convention gives young people the right to participate in making decisions about issues that affect them?**  
**A. Article 12**  
B. Article 24  
C. Article 1

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- **Only 2 countries have not signed the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Somalia is one. What is the other?**  
A. UK  
**B. USA**  
C. Iraq

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- **How many children around the world do not have the chance to go to school?**  
**A. 115 million**  
B. 10 million  
C. 1 billion

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- **Around 250 million children between the ages of 5 and 14 are working worldwide. What is the most common kind of work done by these children?**  
A. Working in factories making clothes or footwear  
**B. Working on the family farm**  
C. Working in the tourist industry

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- **In which continent do most child refugees live?**  
A. Europe  
**B. Asia**  
C. Africa

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- **If you are an asylum-seeker in Ireland you do not have the right to:**  
A. Attend primary school  
B. Attend secondary school  
**C. Attend third-level education (college)**

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- **In which country are you entitled to vote at the age of 15?**  
**A. Iran**  
B. Australia  
C. Brazil

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- **In which of the following countries can you be imprisoned for not voting?**  
A. Ethiopia  
B. Australia  
**C. Greece**

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- **191 countries are members of the United Nations. In 2005, how many of these countries had a UN youth representative?**  
A. 58  
**B. 13**  
C. 101

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- **In Ireland, what percentage of young people with a disability does not receive a secondary education?**  
A. 20%  
B. 75%  
**C. 50%**

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- **How many young people in Ireland aged 18-24 are not registered to vote?**  
**A. One quarter of young people (25%)**  
B. One half of young people (50%)  
C. One fifth of young people (20%)