

Platz der Kinderrechte

Children's Day

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Did you feel a bit different this week compared to other days? Maybe your nose tip tickled a little? One reason could be that the international child day took place this week. Our last working sheet was about Mother's Day, now it's your turn! A day for all the children in the world. On this day we remind each other of children's rights which is a nice and equally important event! Since children having their own rights is a relatively new thing. A couple of centuries ago children's situation looked entirely different – many of you would have had to work hard and not go to school. Roughly 150 years ago some people found that children had specific desires and that they needed their own rights. Not only one person claimed so but many people in different countries around the world. All over the world there were so-called child rights activists that supported child rights. Nonetheless it was not until 1989, about one century later, that the UN, the United Nations, wrote down child rights. Nearly all countries in the world are members of the United Nations, so that child rights protect children, no matter where in the world they live.

Now you may wonder what those rights we're telling you about mean and what's written down in them. Here are some of them:

1. The right for participation

This means that it's not always the grown up who's opinion counts. Your ideas are just as important and you have a right to be listened to.

2. The right for education

Every child has to have the chance to go to school and learn.

3. The right for a good life

Every child has to have a roof over their heads, enough food and drink and people to be with.

4. The right for spare time

Sometimes you need a little spare time in between school and hobbies, be it to go out and play.



Pop-up card

Make friends a joy

INSTRUCTION

Did you know that all those rights are yours?

It's a good idea to remind yourselves of that from time to time. If you feel like encouraging a friend of yours to step in for their rights and make them a nice little gift at the same time, use this instruction to make a special card. Maybe you also want to send it to someone you haven't seen in a while? After having made it you post it right away. So, what's so special about it?

It's not only flat as you know ordinary cards are, no. When you open it, a little surprise jumps to you. We show you how to do it!

What you need:



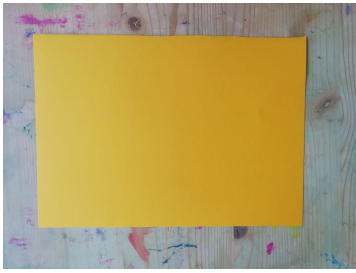
- Coloured DIN A4 construction paper
- Small coloured construction paper
- coloured pencils
- gluestick
- scissors
- envelope
- stamp

TIP

You can also make the envelope yourself. Check out the Mother's Day worksheet for that.

INSTRUCTION

1:



You start by folding the DIN A4 sheet in the middle and folding it back just to cut along the notch into two halves.

2:



Take one half and, again, fold it in half, but this time don't cut it. That's the future card.

3:



Now cut the smaller piece of coloured paper into little colourful stripes.

4:



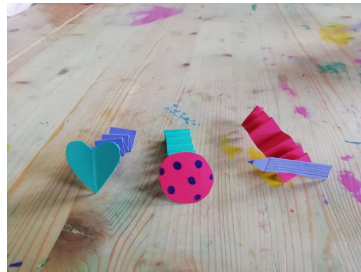
These stripes you can now fold the way you can see in the picture. In order to do that take one of the stripes and put it down in front of you like the capital letter „I“. Now you fold a tiny piece away from you. Turn the stripe around and fold it again. Do this until you reach its end. And hey, here's a spring.

5:



Now cut the rest of the paper into little symbols or pictures and glue them onto the spring. If you like you can also paint them.

6:



Glue the images on top of the springs.

7:



The springs, once ready need to be glued on the top side of your card. You can write or paint on the bottom side.

8:



In a last step you bag your card into the envelope, put a stamp on it and send it to someone you like. They will certainly love to hear from you!