

If the adults don't know the Rights they have, how can they protect their kids? Who will teach us our Rights? So, we decided that we, the children, could teach others their Rights.

For a start we studied this European Social Charter. That was not easy. We even got upset and even shouted at times. **It was boring to read and try to understand stuff that was written for adults.** But we didn't give up!

We discovered that those Rights were very important for people in our neighborhood.

We chose two of the Rights because we thought that they were especially important for us to grow up in peace.

1- "The legal way to stop forced eviction."

We chose this because there are many families we know who are evicted from their houses. Some are squatting a house or an apartment that doesn't belong to them because they have nowhere else to go.

2- "The Right to be protected against poverty and social exclusion."

Then we wrote our own Charter with those two Rights **and we decided to become journalists to let people in the neighborhood know about it.**

We got hold of a camera and a microphone and we went around the neighborhood to explain the European Social Charter to people. And we gave them a copy of our Charter.

It was a lot of fun!

We would have liked to be interviewed by the radio but it didn't work out.

Illustrations of Two Rights that are especially important for us:



How to Limit Forced Evictions



To be Protected Against Poverty and Social Exclusion

If these Rights were applied, our parents would worry less and we would all be happier...

Tapori Newsletter



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Hello Tapori friends

We are sorry for this late publication of this Tapori newsletter. In it, you will read about one of the Tapori groups from Spain. You will also see some news and some activities to do.

The drawing on top of this page was done by the Tapori group from Koula Mandja in Central Africa.

Enjoy your reading! We look forward to receiving your letters!

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We are the Ventilla Tapori group from Madrid, Spain.



Some children and their facilitator

We meet every Friday. We play, watch videos about other countries, visit museums and go to parks. There we can meet other children who are not part of Tapori. **We also celebrate our birthdays together.** For each birthday we invite some of our friends who are not members of our group. The parties are important to us because otherwise several of us wouldn't have a birthday party.

"At the end of every meeting you should be happier than when you arrived."

This is the most important rule of our group. So, if something happened during the week, we speak about it. This way, we can support each other. It makes us feel that we are not alone. **We don't want anyone to feel lonely!** We are writing to you. That way you know that we are thinking of you, even if you are far away from us.

We are going to tell you what we have done recently.

One day we heard our mothers tell each other: "We have rights and we don't even know about them!"

We asked them: "What is that? What are you speaking about?"



Our mums spoke to us about something they just discovered. It is called **the European Social Charter**. It is a text about Social Rights, like the Right to Housing, the Right to Health, the Right to Education.

We were as surprised as our mums. We wondered if people in our neighborhood knew about this Charter. How many Rights are there that we don't know we have?