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UNCRC Article 28



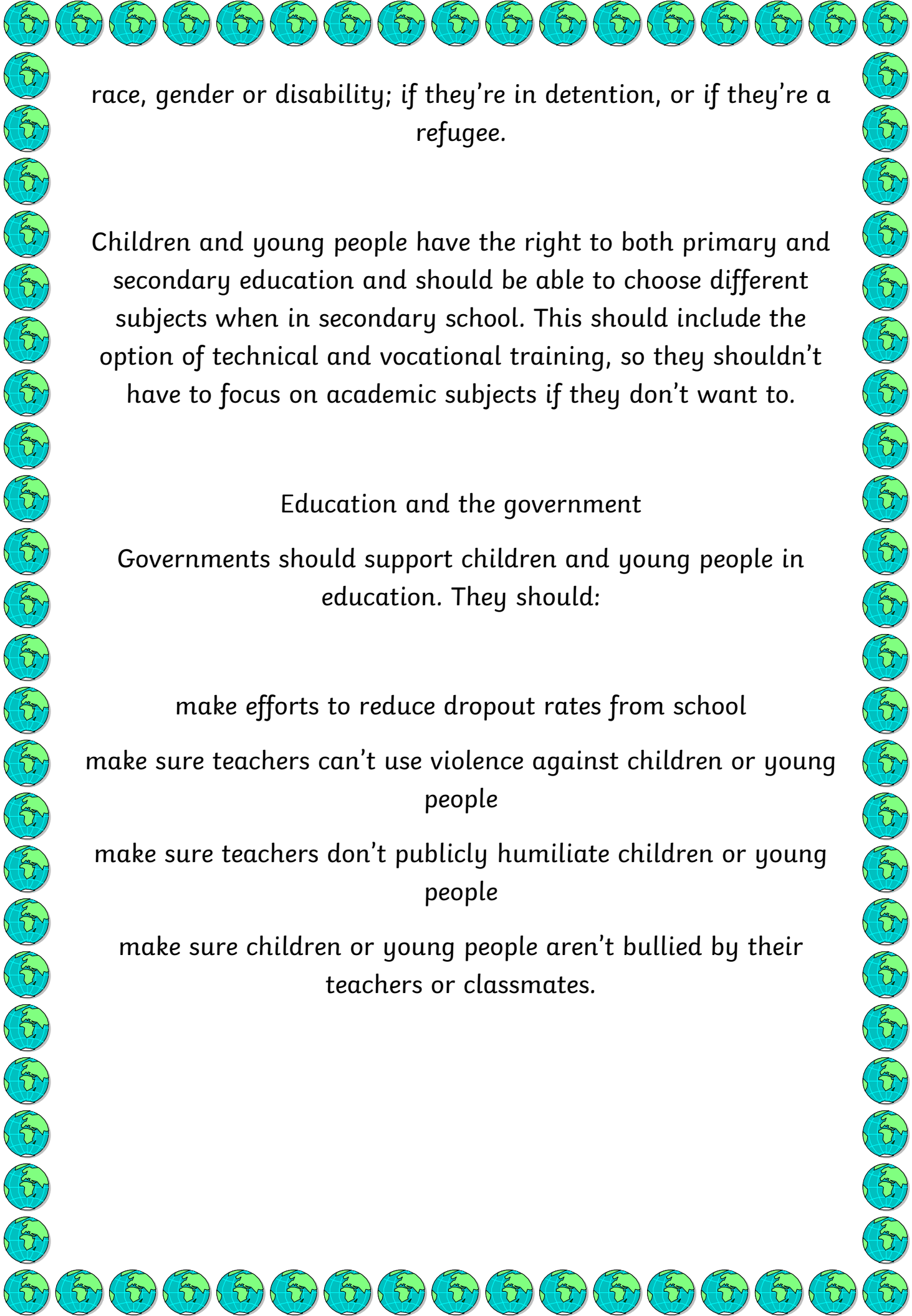
**I have the right to an education**

Governments should make sure children can get an education without it costing their family money.

Schools should respect my dignity.

Children should be able to stay in secondary education as long as they want.

Article 28 of the UNCRC says that children and young people have the right to education no matter who they are: regardless of



race, gender or disability; if they're in detention, or if they're a refugee.

Children and young people have the right to both primary and secondary education and should be able to choose different subjects when in secondary school. This should include the option of technical and vocational training, so they shouldn't have to focus on academic subjects if they don't want to.

### Education and the government

Governments should support children and young people in education. They should:

- make efforts to reduce dropout rates from school
- make sure teachers can't use violence against children or young people
- make sure teachers don't publicly humiliate children or young people
- make sure children or young people aren't bullied by their teachers or classmates.