

# MISSION SHEET

# WORD BANK

## FOR YOUR BRAINSTORMING

Grab one to inspire you as you fill out the Mission Sheet.

1 Draw a picture or symbol to represent your law.



2 The title of your law:  
Animal Friend Rights Law

3 My law is for...  Animals  Kids  Adults  Schools  Babies  Parks  
Or add your own here!

4 My law is important because...  
Pets and animals have feelings too! They should be treated like friends, not just creatures.

5 To follow my law, the rules are...  
• Animals can sleep on the couch.  
• They get extra snacks on special days.  
• Everyone has to say "Good morning!" to pets before breakfast.

Your age: 10  
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### ANIMAL FRIEND RIGHTS LAW

BY: MATEO G., AGE 10



#### PREAMBLE

Pets and animals have feelings too! They should be treated like friends, not just creatures.

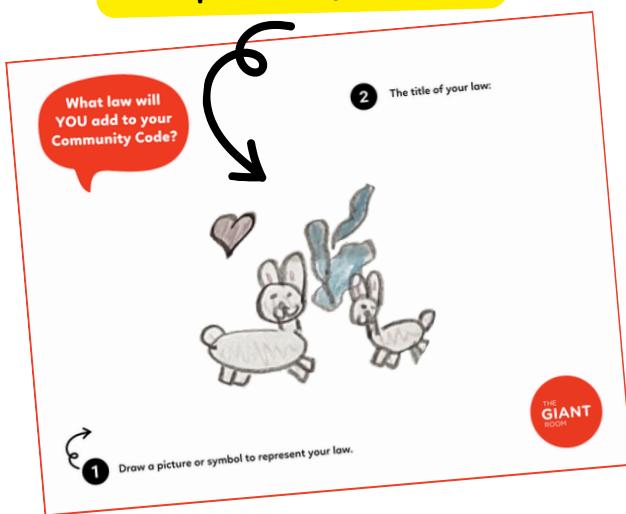
#### PROVISIONS

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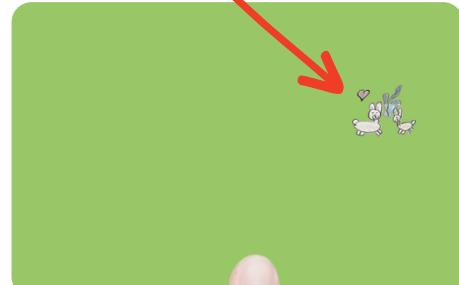


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Draw a picture or symbol to represent your law.



Your drawing from the Mission Sheet goes here on your card!



1

## SYMBOL IDEAS

You can use these symbol ideas to represent your law as you answer question #1:

heart badge

golden star

shield

smiling sun

rainbow circle

helping hands

balance scale

light bulb

open book

peace dove

lock and key

footprints

sparkle wand

tree

puzzle piece

flag

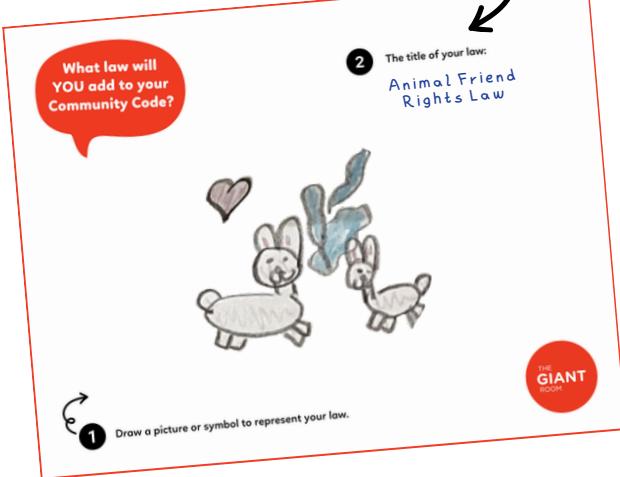
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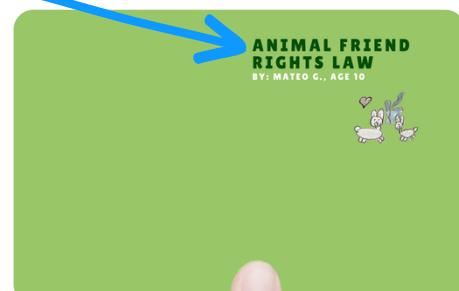
You can use these symbol ideas to represent your law as you answer question #1:

crown	toolbox
bridge	paintbrush
compass	megaphone
lantern	ladder
thumbs up	treasure chest
infinity loop	keyhole
music note	map
speech bubble	anchor
clock	bell
home symbol	shielded heart
planet	stepping stones
seed	ribbon
cloud	paper airplane
campfire	kite
handshake	sunrise
smiling mask	water drop

## 2 The title of your law



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# 2

## HOW TO NAME YOUR LAW

**Do you know how laws are named in the United States Code?**  
Read on to learn how! You can use this as a guide while you name YOUR law while answering question #2:

**Laws in the U.S. Code have two names.**

### #1: NICKNAMES

Many laws have a short title or friendly nickname that people use when they are talking about the law in regular conversation.

They sometimes end with the word “Act”. Here are some examples:

Americans with Disabilities Act

Clean Water Act

Endangered Species Act

# 2

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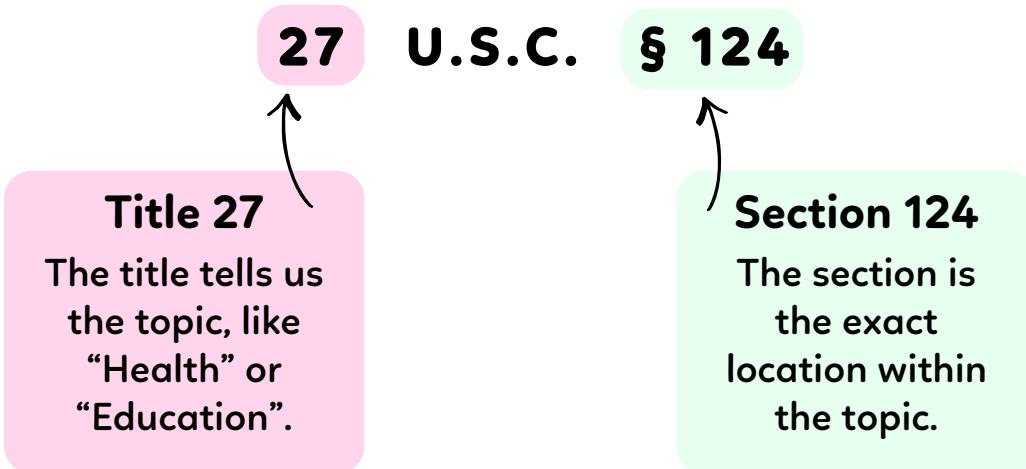
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## #2: MAP-STYLE LABEL: TITLE + SECTION

All laws have an official name that's like an address on a map: it shows where this law is found in the **HUGE** library of the U.S. Code.

Here's an example of a map-style label: 27 U.S.C. § 124



Americans with Disabilities Act **OR** 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101–12213

Clean Water Act **OR** 33 U.S.C. § 1251

Endangered Species Act **OR** 16 U.S.C. § 1531

How will YOU name your law in your Community Code? With a nickname? With a map-style label? Or something completely different?

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## PREAMBLE IDEAS

The “preamble” is the introduction to a law. As you answer question #4, you can use these ideas to add to your preamble and explain why your law is important:

keeps everyone safe

helps people be fair

makes things feel orderly

protects people’s rights

helps solve problems

keeps peace in the community

makes sure rules are clear

helps everyone get along

# 4

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helps everyone feel included

helps protect shared spaces

keeps chaos monsters away

stops everything from going bananas

helps everyone play nicely

keeps the town from turning upside down

makes sure no one steals all the cookies

helps people share the fun

keeps grumpy moods from spreading

makes the world feel less wobbly

helps heroes know what to do

keeps peace unicorns happy

stops arguments from growing giant

helps kindness win the day

protects the fun for everyone

makes the community feel cozy

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## PROVISION IDEAS

The “provisions” are the rules or guidelines of a law. As you answer question #5, you can use these ideas to write your law’s provisions (a.k.a. what rules people need to follow for your law):

imaginary friends have equal rights

pets may be promoted to town helpers

everyone must be kind

no pushing or shoving

sharing is required

help others when you can

clean up after yourself

take turns fairly

# 5

## PROVISION IDEAS

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- stuffed animals can attend meetings
- high-fives can replace handshakes
- everyone must tell one joke a day
- protect parks and playgrounds
- use gentle words
- no stealing cookies without asking
- dance breaks are allowed
- wear silly socks on Fridays
- high-fives are encouraged
- laughing is allowed anytime
- helping hands earn points
- pets get extra hugs
- rainy days mean puddle jumps
- superhero capes allowed during recess
- say sorry when needed
- listen when someone is talking

BONUS!

## FUN FACTS ABOUT LAWS IN THE UNITED STATES



A law **starts as a “bill,”** which is basically a *rough draft* of a rule.



Committees of elected lawmakers get together to review the bill. **They are the “fix-it teams.”** They read the bill, argue about it, and rewrite it to make it better.



**Two groups must agree:** the House and the Senate both have to say “yes” to the *same* words (a.k.a. the provisions or rules).



The President has **the final “yes/no” button:** sign it to make it a law, or veto it. Congress can sometimes override.



When everyone says yes and it becomes a law, it gets added to the **United States Code (U.S. Code)**, which is like a *giant rulebook library*.