# THERE IS A TRIBE OF KIDS

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'There's a wonderful sense of movement, animation and life in the illustrations. The final spreads show how children are influenced and inspired by the world, suggesting ideas around the way nurture and the environment can be formative in growth' – Judging panel



#### UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Article 20: We all have the right to meet our friends. Nobody can make us join a group if we don't want to.

Article 24: Everyone has the right to rest and leisure.

### **ABOUT THIS BOOK**

A lonely kid explores the natural world playing with many animals, observing the stars and skies, and investigating different landscapes. But where is home?

The vibrant illustrations create a great sense of imagination and adventure, and underline the need to connect with animals and nature, and the right to learn and contribute to science and art (Article 27).

We all have rights to rest and leisure, and to play in freedom and safety, as the child does in the book. We also have the right to belong, choose our friends and spend time with them. This book illustrates the importance of family and friendships, the joy of interaction and that everyone needs a place to belong, culminating in the adventurer getting a hug on the closing pages.

#### **HUMAN RIGHTS THEMES IN THIS STORY**

Duty to others; right to a home; community; freedom; right to a good life with enough food, clothing and housing; right to participate in decision making.

#### QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE HUMAN RIGHTS

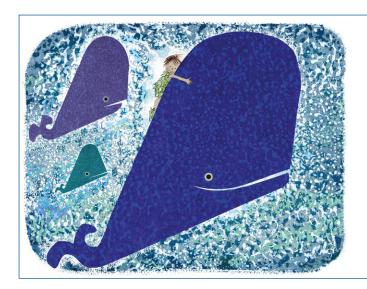
- Look at the first picture. Is the main Kid a boy or a girl? Does it matter?
- Do you have a favourite page? Why?
- How does the Kid treat the animals and landscape?
- What are the children doing on the last two pages?
  Should everyone be able to play like this?
- Where do you feel like you belong?

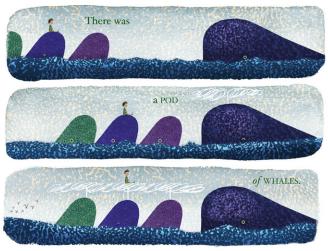
#### **ACTIVITY**

Explore your playground, garden or park. Draw a picture of what you see. Include anyone who is playing.

#### RESEARCH

Make a list of all the rights that you think children should have. Compare them to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child at **www.ohchr.org**. What rights does it give you? What would you change?







### We are all born free and equal

The atrocities of World War II sparked a determination to protect the rights of all human beings, everywhere. On 10 December 1948, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The preamble says it must be shared, learned by children and be a part of all our lives.

For a simplified version of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights go to www.amnesty.org.uk/udhr

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