

WHAT IS EMPOWERMENT?

Empowerment is.....

- taking charge, responsibility and having authority
- having power to influence your own life



With power comes responsibility.....both moral (right and wrong) and intellectual!

- Completing/finishing an assignment, chore or project
- Addressing/solving a problem or a mistake
- Accepting the consequences for a choice or decision you make

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WHAT IS POWER?

The ability,
strength, and
capacity to do
something



A person must
have the
authority to
exercise power.

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WHAT IS AUTHORITY?

- Authority is the right or permission to enforce rules or give orders
- Authority gives people power.
- How do people get authority?
- There are many ways to be given authority. Here are two:
 - People may agree to give it to them. An example of this would be an election. We elect representatives to make decisions for us.
 - Laws can also give people authority. There are laws that give parents the right to make decisions about what their child may or may not do.

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EMPOWERMENT

- Empowerment is:
being given the authority to
exercise power.

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