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# Keeper Conversations: A Gathering of Community Voices

## My Housing Rights and Responsibilities, Grade 6

**Rights** are things a person has that should not be taken away. For example, we all have the right to live somewhere safe. **Responsibilities** tell us who needs to do the work to make sure our rights are respected. For example, if you live in a safe home, you're responsible for making sure nothing is broken.



Let's learn more about the difference between rights and responsibilities and their importance to safe and healthy homes.

### Part 1: Rights and Responsibilities

Cut out each responsibility and match it to the housing right it helps support.

Right	Responsibility	
The right to live in a safe home.		
The right to clean drinking water.		
The right to live free from being mistreated.		

### Responsibilities



Make sure there are fire safety items, like an extinguisher or alarm.	Tell someone if the water looks dirty or tastes strange.	Let the housing department know when something breaks.
Save water by turning off the taps when they're not in use.	Treat everyone in your home and community with kindness.	Speak up or tell a trusted adult about unfair treatment or bullying.



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## Part 2: Who Is Responsible?



Read the scenarios below. With the help of your facilitator or by looking at your community's housing policy, write down each group's responsibilities.

Example:

<b>Scenario:</b> The pipe under the sink burst.
<b>Renter/Tenant:</b> Responsible for reporting it to the landlord or housing department.
<b>Landlord/Housing Department:</b> Responsible for fixing or replacing it.
<b>Homeowner:</b> Responsible for checking the problem and fixing it themselves.

<b>Scenario:</b> The fire alarm starts beeping because of a low battery.
<b>Renter/Tenant:</b>
<b>Landlord/Housing Department:</b>
<b>Homeowner:</b>

<b>Scenario:</b> A window is broken because a ball was thrown through it.
<b>Renter/Tenant:</b>
<b>Landlord/Housing Department:</b>
<b>Homeowner:</b>



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### Part 3: A Safe and Respectful Home



With the help of a trusted adult, look around your home and make a list of things that might need to be cleaned, checked, or fixed to keep everyone safe.

For each one, write down what it is and where you found it, someone you think can fix it, and any tools or materials you think they might need to get the job done.

Something that Needs to be Cleaned, Checked, or Fixed	A Person Inside or Outside the Home Who Can Fix It	Tools or Materials They Might Need
<p><b>Example:</b></p> <p><i>The bathroom faucet is leaking.</i></p>	<p><b>Example:</b></p> <p><i>My parent or a plumber.</i></p>	<p><b>Example:</b></p> <p><i>They might need a wrench to tighten it or a new faucet if it's broken.</i></p>