## **Snapshot**

Consultation with children and young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds

In 2015 the Commissioner worked with the Youth Affairs Council of WA and 12 young peer-leaders to ask children and young people from CALD backgrounds about their experiences of settling and living in Australia and their hopes for the future.

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

article 12: you have the right to give your opinion, and for adults to listen and take it seriously.



children and young people had a say, aged from 5 to 17 years

53%

\*2% preferred not to say



children and young people were born in

more than **50 different countries.** 













school

sport

freedom opportunities

## the things that are difficult



friends



English



being separated from family

racism

## how things could be improved in your own words

"Have someone from similar cultures take you around and show you how to do things." 12 year-old girl (Thailand)

"I need volunteers to help me learn English faster." 15 year-old girl (Afghanistan)

"Help kids feel more comfortable in their surroundings and educating kids that it's okay to be different." 14 year-old girl (Uganda)

