

HOW TO FIGHT CORRUPTION AS A YOUNG PERSON

5 Top Tips You Should Know



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Are you a young person that is interested in fighting corruption? Do you want to be a young anti-corruption hero? Here are 5 tips on how to fight corruption as a young person.

The five tips are based on what I call the *SWIFT* guidelines

1

SPEAK UP AGAINST CORRUPT BEHAVIOUR

By talking to your family, classmates, friends, and neighbours. You should tell them why corruption is bad and how they can stop it. This can be through telling them about stories you have read or lessons you have learnt on corruption.

2

WRITE ABOUT THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF CORRUPTION AND THE NEED TO THE RIGHT THING.

In writing, be creative and make it fun. You can write short stories, poems etc. This can be shared with newspapers, school newsletters or campus magazines. If there is no school newsletter or campus magazine, you can start up one with a couple of friends interested in writing about these issues.

3

ILLUSTRATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING & VIEWS ON CORRUPTION & INTEGRITY

This can be done using comic strips to provide anti-corruption and integrity messaging. You can also send those comic strips to newspapers, online blogs, or social media handles to be published. You can also illustrate by designing posters to educate people on having integrity & avoiding corruption. These posters can be placed in your schools, churches, etc with permission from the right authority. You can also have e-copies of posters that can be distributed online.

4

FOLLOW RULES AND LIVE BY EXAMPLE

Living by example means doing the right thing and not breaking any laws in you school or home.

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TAKE LEADERSHIP ACTIONS THAT CAN HELP EXPOSE CORRUPTION AND PREVENT CORRUPTION

For example, reporting corrupt behaviour anonymously to school authorities, establishing classroom rules that guide against corrupt behaviour, forming anti-corruption or integrity clubs in the areas you live or in your school. Also, you can start up projects to promote integrity in your school, organise dramas or stage plays that focus on corruption and integrity as a theme in your school, start an award programme for young integrity champions.



You need to be *SWIFT* to tackle corruption as a young person. You also need to be courageous, honest, transparent, fair and have integrity (5 values for fighting corruption). With these values and following the swift guidelines, you can be a young anti-corruption superhero!

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