

# The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

## BINGO Game

In 1982, the [Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms](#) was introduced. It clearly outlined what Canadian citizens and residents were allowed (and not allowed) to do and expect.

There are 7 main sections:

- Fundamental Freedoms
- Democratic Rights
- Mobility Rights
- Legal Rights
- Equality Rights
- Official Languages of Canada
- Minority Language Education Rights

Plus details outlining how these rules are enforced, guarantees and exemptions, etc.

This game is designed to be a fun way to get some basic understanding of what is included in the charter.

### Materials Needed:

- A bingo card for each player
- Scenario sheet cut into strips
- Bingo markers (such as beans or coins or something similar)

Give each player a bingo card and a selection of markers. One person is the caller and reads off one randomly selected scenario at a time. Each scenario is an example of a specific right or freedom being violated. As you call out the scenario, it

is the job of the players to figure out which right or freedom is being infringed upon and to cover it with one of their marker. Just like in regular bingo, the first player with 5 in a straight row (across, down, or diagonally) is the winner.

For fun, they can yell "FREEDOM!" instead of Bingo when they win.

Included are 6 different BINGO cards, and 4 blank ones in case you want to make your own.

If anyone you know would like a copy of this game, please send them to my website to download their own copy, instead of sharing this file. Thank you.

Happy Learning!

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Derek is sentenced to 20 years in jail without a trial. <i>(Right to trial by jury)</i>	James is beaten by police when he refuses to answer their questions. <i>(Right to no cruel or unusual treatment)</i>
The police kick in Sammy's door and start searching through his family's stuff without a warrant. <i>(Right against unreasonable search and seizure)</i>	Jackson is sold into slavery. <i>(Right to liberty)</i>
Eric was arrested with drugs in his pocket so the police think he's a drug dealer. <i>(Right to be presumed innocent)</i>	Member of Parliament, Jacques, is told he has to speak English in Parliament. <i>(Right to use French or English in parliament.)</i>
Layla, a Canadian citizen, goes to visit her friends in the United States and is refused re-entry back to Canada. <i>(Right to leave &amp; enter the country)</i>	Alex was charged for stealing a precious gem and did his time in jail. Now they are charging him for the theft again. <i>(Right not to be tried again)</i>
Sophie is francophone but the only schools around where she lives are English schools. <i>(Right to an education in minority language)</i>	Mohammad is arrested for being Muslim. <i>(Freedom of religion)</i>
A young man is found dead after being shot in a fight. <i>(Right to life)</i>	The Quebec government bans private health care, meaning people can't get access to quick medical treatment. This has physical and stress related consequences. <i>(Right to security)</i>
The Prime Minister refuses to hold a new election at the end of his term, continuing to stay as leader. <i>(Right to a new parliament every 5 years)</i>	Picketers outside the car factory are forced to leave or be arrested. <i>(Freedom of expression)</i>
Tatsuki is turned away at the voting booth because he is Japanese-Canadian. <i>(Right to Vote)</i>	It has been 5 years since Isaiah was arrested & charged but no trial has been set yet. <i>(Right to be tried in reasonable time)</i>
Camille is escorted out of Saskatchewan and is told to move back to Quebec. <i>(Right to move to &amp; live in any Province)</i>	Henri is deaf and cannot hear what is being said in the courtroom. <i>(Right to an interpreter in court)</i>
Oscar is arrested after testifying in court about someone else and revealing he has used drugs. <i>(Right against self-incrimination)</i>	

A group of people standing outside the parliament with signs to stand up for the rights of the First Nations people are asked to leave by police.

*(Freedom of peaceful assembly)*

Police are doing a random car check and get Jamal to stop. When he asks if he can leave, they say "no."

*(Right not to be arbitrarily detained or imprisoned )*

Jennifer is fired from her job because she is pregnant.

*(Right to equality)*

Amal is arrested, but has no idea what for.

*(Right to be informed of offence.)*

Steven is arrested for being a member of Black Lives Matter, even though he was only handing out flyers.

*(Freedom of association)*

A.J. is refused bail in the "public's best interest" despite this being his only offence.

*(Right to reasonable bail)*