

YOUNG LEARNERS

Are you using the correct terms for your young learners?

Avoid confusion and encourage consistency. Use these terms:

Life-stage	Age range	Correct terms
Pre-schooler	2–5 years	Early Years
Primary school pupil	6–10 years	Primary
Secondary school pupil	11–14 years	Lower Secondary
Secondary school pupil	15–17 years	Upper Secondary
University/ vocational student	18–25 years	Young adult

A child is defined as anyone **who has not reached their 18th birthday** irrespective of the age of majority in the country where the child is, or their home country.

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, 1989.