

Rules and Laws:

What's the difference?

Introduction:

Regulations are rules made and enforced by an authority.

No matter what activities or sports you choose to do, school you go to or where you live in the world, there are always regulations to follow.

But how can we know whether the regulation we face is a **rule or a **law**?**

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How do we know if it is a **rule** or a law?

The Source (who made it?): Rules are made by members of an organisation. Laws are mostly made by Parliament.

The Jurisdiction (who has to follow it?): Rules must be followed by the members of an organisation. Laws must be followed by all members of a community visitors.

The Penalty (what happens when someone doesn't follow it?): When rules are broken, the penalty is not enforceable by police and courts. The organisation decides the penalty and enforces it. Laws are enforced by either the police, the courts, or both.

Rules

- Created and set by **members** of the organisation
- Apply to only **members** of an organisation
- Monitored and enforced by **leaders** of the organisation
- Penalties decided by **leaders** of the organisation

Laws

- Mostly created and set by **parliament**
- Apply to **all** members of the community and visitors
- Monitored and enforced by **local governments, government departments, police and courts.**
- Penalties are also decided by these **government, executive and judicial bodies**

What is the purpose of laws?

- Keep the community safe
- Protect the rights of all members of the community
- Establish the responsibilities that community members and visitors have to others
- Create a peaceful society by establishing a set of regulations for everyone to live by
- Create equality and fairness for everyone in the community by having the same law that applies to everyone
- To create penalties for those people that break the laws

Quiz:



The has the power to make **laws**.



True or False: **Rules** are enforced by police and courts.



Laws exist to create a community and create for people who do not follow the law.



An area that laws apply in is also called a



Name one penalty for breaking a law and one for breaking a **rule**.



Sources of **rules** can include and



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