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**Rights** are the things a person is entitled to have or to do. People in Michigan (and the United States) have certain rights. Do you know any of these rights?

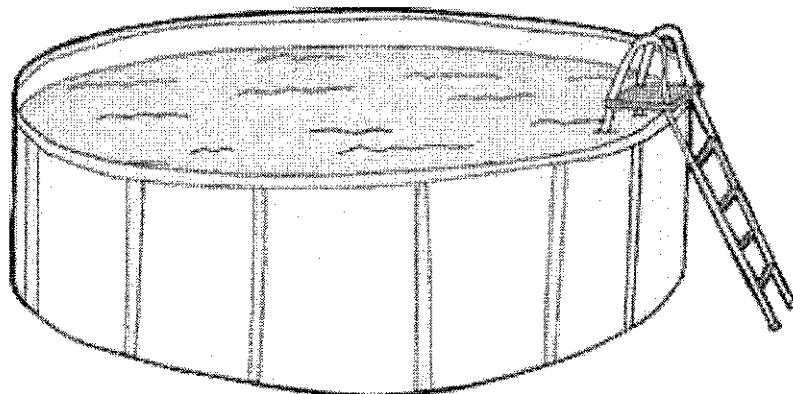
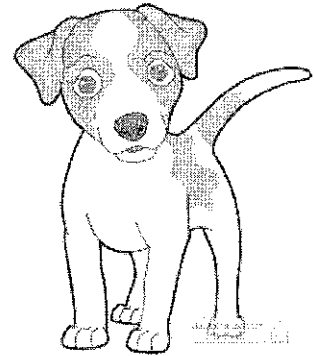
Freedom of Speech  
" " Religion  
" to Vote

own a dog  
have a pool

Our rights are so important they are apart of the United States Constitution. The **Bill of Rights** are the first ten amendments, or rights, added after the Constitution was adopted in 1776. Back in September, on Constitution Day, you learned about the Constitution and the 27 amendments that have been added over the years providing us with certain rights. Hopefully you remember this lesson and it helped you fill in some of those blanks above. If not, there is an "Amendments" button on the web site to jog your memory.

There are also rights that you have that are not covered by the Constitution. Here are a few, can you add any to the list?

1. owning a dog or cat
2. having a pool in your back yard
3. paint house blue
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_



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With rights come responsibilities! If you own a dog and you take her for a walk, what responsibilities might you have while walking that dog? If you have a pool in your back yard, what are your parents responsible for doing to keep people and animals safe?

Responsibilities of owning / walking a dog...

picking up the poop

Responsibilities of having a pool in your yard...

building a fence around pool