

Social Action Key Words

Understanding key terms is really useful when doing social action projects. This matching activity is designed to help you become familiar with important, and perhaps unfamiliar, vocabulary to do with social action that you may encounter as you work on your project.

In this activity, you'll find a list of keywords related to social action, along with their definitions. Your task is to match each keyword to its correct explanation. Hopefully this will help your understanding of these terms and help you communicate more effectively about your own social action project.

Take your time and see how many words you can match correctly. If you want, you can print this sheet out and cut the cards out so you can jumble them up and try again and again.

Once you've had a go, check your answers at the bottom of the page.

Good luck!

A**Changemaker****1**

A person who campaigns to bring about political or social change.

B**Activist****2**

People coming together to help improve their lives and solve the problems that are important to their community.

C**Social Action****3**

Anyone who proactively works to improve the environment around them.

D

Stakeholder

4

When someone spends unpaid time to benefit others.

E

Volunteering

5

The expression of disapproval or objection to something.

F

Campaigning

6

A person with interest or concern with something especially in business.

G

Protesting

7

A person who publicly supports or recommends a particular cause or policy.

H

Advocate

8

To make new furniture, objects etc. out of old things or waste material.

I

Upcycling

9

Working in an organised way towards a particular goal typically a political or social one.

J

Petition

10

Member of Parliament.

K

MP

11

The practise of using skills and techniques to complete a series of tasks.

L

Education

12

The team of 20 or so most senior ministers in the Government who are chosen by the Prime Minister to lead on specific policy areas such as Health, Transport, Foreign Affairs or Defence.

M

**Project
management**

13

The team of senior spokespeople chosen by the Leader of the Opposition to mirror the Cabinet in Government.

N

Cabinet Minister

14

The process of teaching or learning, or the knowledge that you get from this.

O

Shadow cabinet

15

A formal written request by many people appealing to authority about a particular cause.

P

Craftivism

16

To refuse to buy a product or take part in an activity as a way of expressing strong disapproval

Q

Boycott

17

The work of bringing people together to take action around their common concerns and overcome social injustice.

R

Community organisation

18

The specific geographical area that is represented by each MP in the House of Commons.

S

Constituency

19

An event MPs hold to give people an opportunity to meet them and discuss matters of concern.

T

MP surgery

20

The activity of using crafts to try to achieve social or political change.

U

(Fossil Fuel) Divestment

21

Asking institutions to move their money out of oil, coal and gas companies for both moral and financial reasons.

V

Climate anxiety

22

The use of technology to create change through online platforms and campaigns.

W

Agency

23

An occasion when a group of people march or stand together to show that they disagree with or support something or someone.

X

Digital campaigning

24

The desire and ability of people to make decisions and drive change -in their own lives, in their communities, and in their larger spheres of influence.

Y

Demonstration

25

People who help to ensure all attendees at an event are safe. On a march this would include keeping people away from traffic, supporting road closures and keeping the march together.

Z

Stewards

26

Feelings of helplessness, anger, insomnia, panic and guilt toward the climate and ecological crises.

Answers: A-3, B-1, C-2, D-6, E-4, F-9, G-5, H-7, I-8, J-15, K-10, L-14, M-11, N-12, O-13, P-20, Q-16, R-17, S-18, T-19, U-21, V-26, W-24, X-22, Y-23, Z-25