



How to use this booklet

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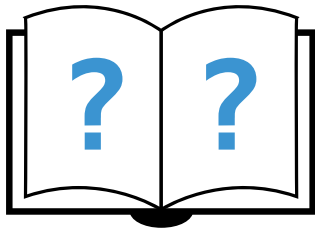
We use pictures to explain some ideas.

Some words are written in **colour**.

We explain what those words mean on Page 6.

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- There is a **Royal Commission** that is happening now and it is for people with disability.



- A **Royal Commission** is a formal investigation into a big problem.



- The commission is called the Disability Royal Commission.



- The Disability Royal Commission will work out the best ways to stop people with disability getting hurt.

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- Life Without Barriers supports the Disability Royal Commission.

- This is because you always have a right to feel safe and respected.



- Every person with disability also has the right to be free from:
 - **violence** – no one should hurt you
 - **abuse** – no one should treat you badly
 - **neglect** – your support staff should help you
 - **exploitation** – people should not take advantage of you or try to trick you to do things you don't want to



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- The Disability Royal Commission asked Life Without Barriers about some bad experiences some people with disability had when we were looking after them.
- Life Without Barriers answered these questions and said we were very sorry to the people we hurt.



- Claire Robbs the boss of Life Without Barriers also said sorry to the people who were hurt.
- The Disability Royal Commission wrote a special report that tells Life Without Barriers things we need to do to to make it right.



- We are grateful to people with disability for telling us how they feel and what they want.

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- We are making changes so these things don't happen again.
- We will keep working with people with disability so people have choice about their services.



- You can contact the Disability Royal Commission if you want to.
 - Email
DRCenquiries@royalcommission.gov.au
 - Call on 1800 517 199



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- For more information or help from Life Without Barriers you can contact us by:



- **Email**

disabilityroyalcommission@lwb.org.au



- **Write**

Life Without Barriers,

Disability Royal Commission Support,

PO Box 2226 Dangar NSW 2309



- **Call us**

(02) 4033 4500 and ask to speak to

someone about the Disability Royal

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What do these words mean?

Abuse	<i>If someone is treating or speaking to you badly.</i>
Exploitation	<i>If someone is taking advantage of you in any way.</i>
Neglect	<i>If a support worker or family member is not helping you the way they are supposed to.</i>
Royal Commission	<i>The organisation that gives people with disability, their families and carers the opportunity to put tell them when they have had a bad experience.</i>
Submissions	<i>Formally sending a document, to a person or group in authority so that they can make a decision.</i>