



What Is Authority?

Authority is the power to make decisions and choose what rules should be followed. The President of the United States has authority. Teachers or older family members are also people with authority. They decide on the rules you follow and make decisions for your country, classroom, and home.

Do you follow any of these rules at home or at school?

- Raise your hand to speak.
- Put your toys away when you are finished playing.
- Do not pet someone else's dog without asking an adult first.
- Share with others.
- Do not talk to strangers.

What are other rules you follow? How did you learn those rules?