

“The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women”

Animation Script - Family

Mother: Hey, get up for breakfast.

Brother: Huh? Why is Daddy making breakfast today?

Mother: Oh, you’ve forgotten?

Today is Mummy’s first day of work. From now on, Daddy and I will take turns to take care of you two.

Everything will stay the same. No worries.

Sister: Why? Shouldn’t Mummy take care of us at home? and Daddy go to work?

Brother: Yes, that’s what some of the books I read usually said...

CEDAW Robot: Well, this is an outdated idea...

Brother & sister: Who are you?

CEDAW Robot: I’m CEDAW the Robot from this book.

CEDAW is the English abbreviation for the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

MVO: CEDAW – full form as “Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women”

CEDAW Robot: Let me answer your question just now.

Indeed, everyone is equal in today’s society.

Both men and women can participate equally in different areas.

Women can still pursue their dreams even if they have families.

Speaking about forming a family, the most important thing is to have the freedom to choose our spouses.

We can choose to get married or not; and to whom we marry.

MVO: CEDAW Article 16(1)b

Brother: Yes, that's what I read in your book...

CEDAW Robot: Taking care of children is not necessarily the responsibility of mothers alone.

MVO: CEDAW Article 5b

CEDAW Robot: Nowadays, many men share the house work.
Women can also be successful in the workplace.
In fact, if parents communicate and co-operate effectively, they can pursue their desired jobs and achieve their career goals while taking care of their families.

MVO: CEDAW Article 11(2)c

CEDAW Robot: A wide range of supporting services needed are provided in society, such as the establishment and development of child-care facilities, to help parents take care of their families while pursuing their careers.

Sister: So it doesn't matter whether it's Mummy or Daddy who is going to take care of us, it's just as good.

Brother: But the egg seems to be burnt...

Mother: Can you let Daddy have another try?

Brother & sister: Of course!

CEDAW Robot: If you want to know more about CEDAW, go visit this website!

MVO: <https://www.hyab.gov.hk/CEDAW>