

“Right relationships are human relations in which each (or all) seek, without abandoning themselves, to be **ATTENTIVE** and **RESPONSIBLE** to the needs and emotions of one another, quite apart from considerations of entitlement.”

*“A relationship of rights is a bounded interaction of morally independent individuals.”*

**Ally:**  
**(v) To join, to unite.**  
**(n) A friend, a supporter.**

FORMING  
RIGHT  
RELATIONSHIPS

“A right relationship can never be founded on an exercise of sheer force.”

**RIGHT:**  
**CORRECT.**  
**HONORABLE.**  
**JUST.**

**Relationship: the way(s) in which people, objects, or concepts are connected.**

*“The rightness of a relationship can be measured, ultimately, only by whether it is felt to be right by those concerned.”*

“The reciprocity of right relationships needs go no further than the mutual and effective commitments of both (all) members to one another.”

## RIGHTS VS. RIGHT RELATIONSHIPS: AN OVERVIEW

As outlined by John Humbach in "Towards a Natural Justice of Right Relationships"

### Rights

- \* Entitlements
- \* Depersonalized
- \* The means
- \* Legalistic
- \* Mine
- \* Rigid
- \* Adjudication

### Right Relationships

- \* Connections
- \* Context-specific
- \* The ends
- \* Equitable
- \* Ours
- \* Adaptive
- \* Mediation and reconciliation

## SCOUTING AWARDS RELATED TO FORMING RIGHT RELATIONSHIPS

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