



# Write your song for ONE WORLD!

## Tips on Songwriting

### Information for participants



You want to take part in the Song Contest “Dein Song für EINE WELT!” (Your song for ONE WORLD), but you have no idea what your song should be about? You need support in terms of songwriting? And composition is still completely new to you? No problem! You can find everything you need to know to write your song for ONE WORLD at [www.eineweltsong.de/en](http://www.eineweltsong.de/en) under the heading “Tips on songwriting”.

#### THE TOPIC

The Song Contest is looking for songs that address themes of global development, that is focus on issues that affect people in different parts of our ONE WORLD. Are there any such topics that particularly concern you – for example social justice, peace, climate protection or the issue of how we can treat one another with greater tolerance and fairness? No doubt many topics come to your mind from your everyday life that you consider crucial to our coexistence on this planet and which you would like to make others aware of. Share your thoughts with us! Important is that you always maintain a global perspective and think about what your topic could mean for people in Africa, Asia, Europe or Latin America.

#### YOUR LYRICS

Once you have a topic in mind, first write down anything that occurs to you about it. Maybe that’s how the first lines of your lyrics are created. For information on how to finalise your song and for further tips and suggestions, see our website at [www.eineweltsong.de/en](http://www.eineweltsong.de/en).

#### YOUR SONG

Our website also provides guidelines and numerous videos showing you how to compose a song using an app or computer program. You don’t need to be an experienced musician, simply have a go! On the website you will also find all information on participation, profiles of inspirational artists, samples you can use for your song and much more on the ONE WORLD topic.

**HAVE FUN WRITING  
AND COMPOSING YOUR SONG!  
WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION!**

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### Information for teachers



Are you a (music) teacher and would like to take part in the Song Contest “Dein Song für EINE WELT!” (Your song for ONE WORLD) with your students or a youth group? The teaching material for the Song Contest is available to help you prepare and carry out your project!

#### MUSIC LESSONS MEET GLOBAL TOPICS

The material is divided into three modules for finding a topic, writing lyrics and composing, and is therefore suitable for interdisciplinary projects as well as for exclusive use in music lessons. Included are, for example, creativity techniques, exercises for intercultural learning with music, a learning unit on the Sustainable Development Goals and numerous other materials and links.

#### COMPOSING MADE EASY

Children and young people without previous musical knowledge are also explicitly addressed: Detailed guidelines with complementary videos and worksheets explain to participants how to compose and record songs using an app. The website also provides samples of various instruments that can be used for the songs.

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#### FOR SCHOOL AND AT HOME

The material is prepared in a way that allows children and young people to learn about finding a topic, songwriting and composition independently on the website of the Song Contest. The accompanying teacher’s guide offers important pedagogical tips, additional exercises for group work and further information on how to embed the Song Contest in the concept of „Education for Sustainable Development“. You can download the guide from the website [www.eineweltsong.de/en](http://www.eineweltsong.de/en).

#### ABOUT THE SONG CONTEST

The Song Contest “Dein Song für EINE WELT!” (Your Song for ONE WORLD) is organised by Engagement Global gGmbH – Service für Entwicklungsinitiativen on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development. The Song Contest was launched in 2015 to accompany the School Competition on Development Policy, and has since then been held every two years.

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