

Test 2

Name _____

Listening comprehension

8  Listen to the speakers and choose the best answers.

1 When do the speaker's parents worry?

- A when he goes to parties
- B when he goes out during the week
- C when he isn't home on time

2 Which rule is the speaker happy with?

- A looking after her brother
- B finishing her homework
- C cleaning her room

3 What isn't easy for the speaker?

- A doing a lot of sport
- B agreeing on what food to eat
- C eating with his parents every day

4 What do the speaker's parents want?

- A her to spend more time with them
- B to use the computer
- C to play computer games with her

Reading understanding : What makes teens and young adults happy these days?

What makes teens and young adults happy these days? You may be tempted to cite money and music as primary sources of happiness. You can be wrong. Among 13-24 year olds, according to American survey asked of 1280 people, spending time with family came in at top. Time with friends followed in the number two position, and time with a significant person was third. Almost no one said money as a source of happiness.

Seventy three per cent indicated that a good relationship with their parents made them happy. In addition, when looking towards a role model, nearly half of the respondents mentioned one of their parents. Moms ranked higher than dads with 29% of the vote.

Most of the respondents generally felt happy with the direction of their lives, and as for stress, kids noted a 10% higher rate than adults. For 13-17 year olds, school stressed them a lot. For those in the 18-24 range, jobs and financial matters caused worry.

The big question came down to the future, and whether today's youth will remain happy. Sixty-two percent of teens believed the future will hold greater amounts of happiness. Respondents in the 18-24 year old range were even more optimistic than their younger counterparts. However, many in both age groups anticipate a more difficult life than their parents have.

True or False? Put T or F

1. Spending time with family made young people the happiest.
2. More dads were heroes to their children than moms.
3. For young adults education brings more stress than jobs and finance.
4. Kids had a lot less stress than adults.
5. According to the article, the future will definitely be more difficult.

Write down the first three positions of the American survey : What makes teens and young adults happy these days?

- 1st position _____
- 2nd position _____
- 3d position _____

Make your own rating of activities that make you happy:

spending time with family; hanging out with friends; etc.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____