

## A typical teen



girl



baby



students



teenager



middle - aged person



boy



toddler



man



woman



old person



kids



young person

**Ex 1. Look at the photo and try to answer the questions.**

What is the relationship between the people? How old are they?

**Ex. 2. Listen and read the web page. Do the teens think these things are positive or negative?**


having a laugh    not enough money    family tells me off    freedom  
arguments with parents    pressure    chilling out    nowhere to go  
not paying bills    being treated like a child    stress

# Being a teen

Do you feel moody, sleep in late, forget things, argue with your parents? Then you're a typical teen. It's a time of change – you aren't a kid any more. You're growing up. But surely adults should understand? After all, they were teens once! Tell us the best and worst things about being a teen.


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tigerboy




I like having a laugh with my friends. But I don't have enough money to buy anything. And everybody tells me off. My mum, my dad, even my dog when I forget to take him for a walk ☹. It's not fair. I can't do anything right.

cherri




Being a teen is great fun, but it's stressful, too. Nothing is easy. I have arguments with my parents about nothing. There's too much pressure, too. Will I pass my exams? Will I get a job? Will the world be safe?

dragonguy




When I'm listening to music, texting my friends, playing computer games, my parents ask, 'What are you doing?' And I say, 'Nothing.' And they say, 'Do something!' But there's nothing wrong with chilling out!

chikita



My parents are cool – they've given me more freedom, but there isn't enough for teenagers to do in my town and there's nowhere to go. The best thing? I don't have anything serious to worry about. We don't have to earn money, buy food or pay bills.

greenplanet



I want to be independent, but my parents treat me like a child. There are too many rules. Nobody at home understands me. But not everything is bad! My friends are cool. We hang out and have fun at the weekend.