

A typical teen



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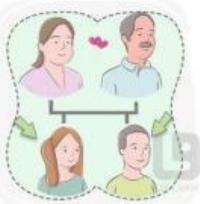
students



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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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.

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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?

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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!

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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.

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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.