

READING

SIBLING RIVALRY

- 1- Speaking. Read the quotations at the start of the text. Which are true for you? (Lee las frases al principio del texto. ¿Son verdaderas para ti?)

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BROTHERLY LOVE?

'I don't get on well with my brother. He's very **different** from me and we argue a lot.'

'Sometimes I want to be alone. But my sister is always there!'

'I can't have secrets when my brother is around. He reads my text messages!'

'My sister uses my things - and she doesn't ask me first! I hate that!'

According to the website GettingPersonal.co.uk, these problems are not unusual. ¹__ They argue a lot. In general, teenagers are not **worried** about their brothers and sisters when things go badly for them. And they are not **proud** of them when things go well!

But most adults are very **keen** on their brothers and sisters and have a good relationship. So when does the situation change? ²__ For example, Madison is 28 years old. Her brother, Tyler, is 26. 'I remember big fights, horrible fights with Tyler,' says Madison. 'But now, our relationship is completely different. ³__ We go out together two or three times a month and we have a great time. We're **interested** in the same things.'

But for teenage brothers and sisters with difficult relationships, what can they do? How can they get on well? Here are a few ideas.

- ▶ When your brother or sister uses your things, don't get **angry** about it - learn to share.
- ▶ Imagine your brother or sister is a friend - and be nice!
- ▶ Don't tell people your brother or sister's secrets.
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Of course, the other answer is: just wait ten years!

The first one is true for me.
I argue a lot with my brother!

The second / third / fourth one is / isn't true for me. I ...

- 2- Read the reading strategy. Then match gaps (1-4) in the text with sentences (A-E). Use the questions in the strategy to check the sentences fit. There is one extra sentence. (Lee la estrategia de lectura. Luego une los espacios (1-4) en el texto con las oraciones (A-E). usa las preguntas de la estrategia para chequear si las oraciones encajan en el espacio. Hay una oración extra)

Reading strategy

Cuando quieres saber si una oración encaja en un espacio, lee las oraciones que están antes y después del espacio a completar, así también como la oración elegida. Luego hazte estas preguntas:

- ¿Tiene sentido?
- ¿Encaja gramaticalmente? (pensa en el tiempo verbal, pronombres, singulares y plurales)
- ¿Tiene relación la oración elegida con el tema del párrafo?

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- A** According to the website, the answer is: around the age of 25.
 - B** But other brothers and sisters get on well from an early age.
 - C** We get on well – and we don't argue.
 - D** Give your brother or sister some time alone when they need it.
 - E** Most teenagers have a difficult relationship with their brothers and sisters.

- 3- Read and listen to the complete text. Check your answers to exercise 2. (Lee y escucha el texto completo . Chequea tus respuestas del ejercicio 2)
- 4- Read the text aloud. Send an audio. (Lee el texto en voz alta. Envía un audio)
- 5- VOCABULARY. Read the LEARN THIS box. Then look at highlighted adjectives in the text. What prepositions follow them? Complete the table. (Lee el texto "LEARN THIS". Luego mira las palabras que están resaltadas en el texto. ¿Qué preposiciones le siguen?)

LEARN THIS! Adjectives and prepositions

Algunos adjetivos son seguidos por ciertas preposiciones.

Algunas veces, es posible utilizar más de una preposición.

excited about *famous for* *frightened of*
good at *pleased about / with* *similar to*

1 angry _____	4 keen _____
2 different _____	5 proud _____
3 interested _____	6 worried _____

6- Look up the following phrases in your dictionary. (Busca el significado de las siguientes palabras)

Excited about:

Famous for:

Frightened of:

Good at:

Pleased about/with:

Similar to:

Keen on:

Proud of:

Worried about:

7- Speaking. Answer the following questions (Responde de manera oral)

- Are you similar to your brother or sister?
- Are you interested in the same things?
- Are you good at the same school subjects?
- Are you keen on the same TV programmes?