

What is special about being an adolescent? Does this age involve any particular troubles and issues?

“...And these children
that you spit on
as they try to change their worlds
are immune to your consultations.
They’re quite aware
of what they’re going through...”

DAVID BOWIE

Join the words into collocations, listen to the clip and check yourself. Do you agree with these tongue-in-cheek characteristics? _____

a subset of	sleep pattern
natural	mood
an untidy	humans
nocturnal	locked bedroom
grumpy	habitat

What other adjectives would you choose to describe adolescent feelings/behaviour? There’s no right/wrong answer, just take your pick.

bored	sloppy	messy	antagonistic	motivated	insecure
reckless	anxious	responsible	determined		awkward
poised	moody	sullen	sulky	gloomy	grumpy
withdrawn	easy-going		cheeky		cocky
inexperienced	self-absorbed	vulnerable	flippant		bratty
rebellious	disobedient		nihilistic		

Do you know someone sloppy or messy?

Do you often get sulky and gloomy?

Can you add your own examples to the list?

- “arch” – original; “type” - model
- the original pattern or model from which all things of the same kind are copied or on which they are based; a model or first form; prototype.
- Example: *Frankenstein* , *Dracula* are both archetypes that have influenced subsequent horror stories – i.e. *Freddy Krueger*

• “archetype” . Dictionary.com (web). © 1999 Random House, Inc. 23 Aug. 2008. <Dictionary.com>.
<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/archetype>

Look at the pictures and the “nicknames”. Do they look and sound familiar?

What pictures do you think the archetypes match (drag and drop them)

A Brain An Athlete



A Basket Case A Princess



A Criminal



Watch the trailer. How much time do the kids have for writing their essays?

Do you have any idea what is the topic of the essay?

Do you think they will have written the essay by the end of the detention?



Put the parts of the summary of *The Breakfast Club* in order.

- _____ All the typical high school clique archetypes are present and accounted for: the popular girl, Claire; the jock, Andrew; the rebel, John; the outcast, Allison; and the geek, Brian.
- _____ On a Saturday morning, five high school students in Shermer, Illinois, assemble in their school's library for eight hours of detention.
- _____ It's unclear if that will stick, but for now everyone gains new perspectives on the lot peers and parents have handed to them.
- _____ But time together eventually erodes the barriers separating them.
- _____ Written, produced, and directed by John Hughes, *The Breakfast Club* is a 1985 movie that stars five members of the 1980s iconic Brat Pack: the criminal, the princess, the athlete, the brain, and the basket case.

(Source: fastcompany.com)

The concept of a group of teenagers, or sometimes grown-up people, being confined in a place like a library, a classroom, a study room, or whatever, forced to interact and connect, is often used in other media to reference *The Breakfast Club*. We've seen this done in *Spider-Man: Homecoming*, *Deadly Class*, *Riverdale*, *One Tree Hill*, *Blindspot*, *Dawson's Creek*, *The Vampire Diaries* and so on. It's an instantly recognizable visual clue.