

The Family and its Functions.

A family is a group of people related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing together.

Everyone is connected to a family in some way, shape or form! The roles and responsibilities within each family may differ, as do the functions they provide for their members.

The main functions of a family are:

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Fill in the blank with the function letter that best represents the scenario.

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1. _____Dad kisses mom when he leaves for work in the morning and also when he gets home from work in the evening.

2. _____Gerald works for \$15.00/hr. to support his family.

3. _____Peter showed his little brother how to use his silverware instead of his fingers when trying to eat his food.

4. _____Sandy called the police when she realized there was a prowler outside.

5. _____ Andy organized a family picnic to the park.
6. _____ Dave and Debbie's first child was a boy and they named him Alex.
7. _____ Alice patted her sister's back and snuggled up with her while they took a nap.
8. _____ Grandma Walton says a prayer before supper.
9. _____ Julie smelled smoke in the basement, so she immediately called the fire department.
10. _____ Donna took on a part time job to help support the family income.
11. _____ & _____ Grandma Jones sees that her grandson Billy has a warm coat and boots for the cold winter season. (Provide two answers.)
12. _____ The Smith family attends church services every Sunday morning and Wednesday evening.
13. _____ Jim and Sue have four sons and are now pregnant with a fifth child, hoping it's a girl.
14. _____ Mommy and daddy give each child a hug and kiss as they put them to bed.
15. _____ The Leary family decided to go to Walt Disney World for their vacation.
16. _____ As her children got older, Jamie needed to remind them that they were too old to run around the house in just their underwear.
17. _____ Mike installs smoke detectors throughout the house.
18. _____ Jenny teaches her daughter not to chew with her mouth open.
19. _____ Dad takes the kids to the afternoon matinee at the local movie theatre.
20. _____ The Wilten family doesn't have much money so they try to save as much as possible, being resourceful and thrifty to help make ends meet.
21. _____ Mom takes Sarah to the doctors because she's complaining of an earache.
22. _____ Dad checks his children's planner daily to make sure all homework and assignments are completed.
23. _____ Since Jo's dad is an EMT and is often called away, the family has learned to be flexible with their schedule as their plans can change quickly.
24. _____ Four year old Maggie tried to take candy from the local general store, so her mother explained why it was wrong and made her put it back. Maggie also had to apologize to the store owner.