

UNIT 3: BECOMING INDEPENDENT

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MC: Hello and welcome to Life Skills, the most popular radio show for teens and parents. Today, I've invited three Grade _____ students to share with us how their parents help them to become independent. Long, would you like to start?

Long: Hi. well. I'm the _____ child, so my parents tend to be overprotective of me.

They didn't let me do any household chores and _____ me to school until finished Grade 9. However, since I was a little child. I've always been encouraged to voice my opinions. My parents even ask for my opinion before they make important family _____.

MC: That's great. That helps you develop self-confidence. And Tuan? How do your| parents help you become independent?

Tuan: Well, my parents focus _____ teaching me about responsibility. I'm given a list on responsibilities, such as doing household chores, looking after my _____... And my parents make sure that I fulfill all of them. If I fail, I get punished. Bui if I do them well, I get a reward. This keeps me motivated.

MC: Your parents _____ strict, but also very fair. What about you, Minh?

Minh: My parents set some limits and establish rigid rules about important issues. I have to do chores and follow a set _____. But I can make my own choices about personal things such as clothes, books or toys. My parents encourage me to consider all options before making my own decisions.

MC: Yes, setting limits can teach you _____, and keep you safe and healthy. It's also great that your parents teach you decision-making skills. I hope that one day you'll be ready to leave home and live independently. Thank you so much for _____ the show.