2 **Read the article and choose the best answers.**

1 What does the author say about arguments in families?
   a Teenagers almost never agree with their parents.
   b It's very common for teenagers to argue with their mum and dad.
   c Teenagers often argue with their brothers and sisters.

2 Most arguments between teenagers and parents occur because ...
   a teenagers don't listen.
   b parents don't explain their opinion well.
   c teenagers don't get what they want.

3 What is it important to do when you ask your parents for something?
   a Give the reasons for your request.
   b Ask politely.
   c Compare your situation to your friends'.

4 In general, what has a positive effect on your parents' reply?
   a You give them examples of how your behaviour is positive.
   b You offer to help them.
   c You say that you deserve a positive reply.

5 What isn't a 'magic formula'?
   a Listening to your parents' reasons.
   b Asking nicely.
   c Following the author's advice.

completely different if you say: 'I'm saving all my money for a smartphone but they're very expensive. Can you please give me some pocket money if I help more in the house?'

So, listen to your parents' reasons, explain why you want something, and show why you deserve it. This isn't a magic formula, but it helps. Good luck!

3 **Match the underlined words in the article to the meanings.**

1 behave well, so it's fair that a good thing happens to you .....
2 spend the night at a friends' house .....
3 money you get from your parents .....
4 very bad arguments .....
5 not having the same opinion .....

## Critical thinkers

4 **Which of these ideas agree with opinions in the text (A), clearly disagree with opinions in the text (D), or are not in the text at all (N)?**

1 Get angry when you don't get what you want. A / D / N
2 Choose the right time to ask for something. A / D / N
3 You need to understand your parents' point of view. A / D / N
4 Don't compare your parents to your friends' parents. A / D / N
5 Insist if you get 'no' for an answer the first time. A / D / N
6 Offer to do something positive. A / D / N

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