

MINITEST 1

I. LISTENING

1. Listen and fill in the blanks with ONE WORD.

Family Problems are a very sensitive (1)

There are many different sources of (2) that can cause family (3)

Not spending enough time together:

- When there are many different activities to choose from, it can be (4)..... for family member to spend time with another
- It is the lack of togetherness that causes most (5)

Not sharing feelings and emotions:

- It is important to have open (6) within a family.
- This is so that everyone feels comfortable sharing their (7) and feelings.
- People do not feel like they can express themselves without fear of (8) or punishment.

Not resolving past problems:

- When there are unresolved (9) between family members that stem from previous arguments or (10) This can be hard for people to move forward and find common ground.

II. READING

2. Read the passage and do the task below.

Family Problems differ from family to family, on the basis of the reasons for family problems.

Some of the common types are:

Misunderstanding

Misunderstanding occurs even among family members who are supposed to know each other better than anyone else. Teenagers' opinions and values, for example, differ from their parents'; parents do not respect children's privacy; or there is pressure or expectation regarding friends, job, exams, chores, and even personal style. Understanding is the key to overcoming misunderstanding. When you broaden the range of understanding while narrowing the range of misunderstanding, your communication will flow smoothly.

Arguments

Arguments are another common family problem. They come in all shapes and sizes too. These are like screaming matches or even passive-aggressive behavior. This can be so frustrating to deal with. There isn't always an easy solution for fixing every single argument. It is always important to try your best...even if you still end up fighting sometimes. It is because there is no such thing as a perfect relationship between people. Sometimes the only way to resolve arguments within your family is through compromise. This means both sides have to give something up. For example, they might need more time on their own without having kids around.

Unresolved problems

Unresolved family conflicts bring additional stress, particularly at family gatherings. Past unresolved conflicts can become the elephant in the room, felt by everyone but not directly addressed. This can be stressful for everyone before and during the family gatherings, sometimes leaving a lasting sense of stress afterward. Talking it out might help, or you might decide to move on or cut them out of your life. The key is to manage the situation in a way that doesn't produce unnecessary stress, conflict, and additional hurt.

2.1. Choose the best answer.

1. What contributes to misunderstanding between teenagers and their parents?
 - A) Lack of pressure or expectation regarding friends, job, exams, chores, and personal style
 - B) Differences in opinion and values
 - C) Open and honest communication
 - D) Respecting children's privacy
2. What is the key to overcoming misunderstanding according to the text?
 - A) Ignoring differences in opinion and values
 - B) Narrowing the range of understanding
 - C) Enforcing parental authority
 - D) Broadening the range of understanding
3. What is mentioned as an example of argument?
 - A. Bad behavior
 - B. Compromise
 - C. Teenager's privacy
 - D. Parent's expectation
4. What is emphasized as important when dealing with family arguments?
 - A) Avoiding disagreement
 - B) Seeking revenge
 - C) Ignoring the issues
 - D) Trying your best
5. What is suggested as a way to resolve family arguments?
 - A) Requiring respect
 - B) Compromise
 - C) Ignoring the issues
 - D) Increased conflicts

2.2. Decide whether the statement is true (T) or false (F).

1. There is always an easy solution for fixing every single argument in families.
2. Unresolved family conflicts can lead to additional stress at family gatherings.
3. It is common for past unresolved conflicts to be directly addressed at family gatherings.
4. Family gatherings can sometimes create a lasting sense of stress for everyone involved.

5. Managing the situation in a way that minimizes unnecessary stress, conflict, and hurt is important when dealing with unresolved family conflicts.