

People and society I

1. TOPIC VOCABULARY. Read an opinion and complete it with the words from the list. Use every word only once!

Modern ¹ _____ gives us many opportunities, but it also creates new problems. One issue is that people often ² _____ others instead of trying to understand their situation. I think it is important to build strong ³ _____ with the people around us. ⁴ _____ others when they are having a difficult time can also make society better.

Schools and communities can also ⁵ _____ young people when they face difficulties. In my opinion, being ⁶ _____ is not about being popular but about treating others with respect. Some people are very ⁷ _____ and become upset when others criticise them. At the same time, it is important to be ⁸ _____ and think carefully before reacting or making an important decision.

Social media has changed the way we communicate. Sometimes people prefer online ⁹ _____ to meeting others in real life. Even an ¹⁰ _____ person can suddenly become famous because of one video or post. However, some people become ¹¹ _____ for negative behaviour, and this attention can affect both them and others.

I believe modern society would be better if people were ¹² _____, more responsible and more willing to listen to each other.

2. PHRASAL VERBS. Choose the correct phrasal verbs to complete the sentences.

- One student often _____ a quieter boy in the class. I hate when people bully others.
- She was _____ by her grandparents in a small town.
- He is _____ his new classmates much better now.
- After moving several times, the family finally _____ in a small town in Austria.
- Some people _____ others because of their jobs or skin colour.
- Nobody should _____ someone just because they have a different opinion.
- Many people _____ false stories that were shared online, especially those AI generated.
- Me and my friends _____ public figures who use their influence in a positive way.
- Mr Williams _____ last year, and the local community supported his family.
- _____ people who are treated unfairly is an important part of a caring society.

3. WORD PATTERNS. Choose the correct words. You can use them more than once!

- The school can ban a student _____ taking part in an event if they behave badly.
- Most parents approved _____ the new rules because they made the school safer.
- It can be difficult to convince someone _____ an idea if they already have a strong opinion.
- People should not be afraid to ask _____ help when they are struggling.
- Modern society relies _____ technology for communication, work and education.
- Young people usually want to become more independent _____ their parents as they grow older.
- Some local residents object _____ building a large shopping centre near their homes.
- I agree _____ people who say that schools should teach more practical life skills.
- Nobody should force another person _____ do something they are uncomfortable with.
- People sometimes pretend _____ everything is fine even when they are having problems.