



or see us as we really are. On the other hand, they may not be there. We may be **(separate)** ----- by space, because they are living in another city or country, or because they have had a serious **(disagree)** ----- or quarrel. Perhaps many of us expect far too much from our families. Family members may behave as though they are entitled to make big **(emotion)** ----- demands on one another. Each generation will have very different ideas about the right attitudes and **(behave)** -----, as will people from different cultural backgrounds. This may result in conflict. For instance, a person may wish to choose his or her own partner, when their parents may think that only an arranged marriage **(be)** ----- acceptable.

B/ Fill in the blanks with words from the list. There are two extra words. [4.5]

on / in / away / fight / gap / overwhelmed / outside /  
but / decisions / marks / that

**M**y husband and I are disagreeing all of the time on parenting our teens and adults. Part of the problem is me. I let him make ----- earlier in our marriage even though I often disagreed. I did not want to ----- all of the time. The result is a 23 year - old daughter without a job and we are supporting her ----- the home. I think she should work harder to get a job ----- my husband does not want to put any pressure ----- her. He says yes to everything the kids want. Our second child is a college student. He is getting bad ----- . It does not bother my husband at all ----- they do not work harder. My husband just walks ----- if I bring anything up about the kids. He does not see any problem at all. I am so ----- .

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2-A traditional family is formed by a father, a mother	b-because nobody is more important than others.	1 ---
3-The main factor for maintaining a family is love	c-to teach them all the experience they have.	2 ---
4-Other factors that help to keep families	d- together are respect and trust.	3 ---
5-Everyone must show respect to other members	e- whose members love and try to help each other.	4 ---
6-If kids don't trust parents, parents won't be able	f-some people think that only parents deserve respect.	5 ---
	g- but it's important to be sure that this feeling is pure.	6 ---

## Listening passage 3eco1

Pete Parks is talking about his family life.

I have a problem involving myself, my wife, my father-in-law and my parents. There are certain things I dislike in my wife. She just doesn't care about keeping good health, sticks to bad eating habit and is unable to take responsibilities herself. She suffers a lot due to poor health. I have tried to convince her about staying healthy and be grown up, to be able to take responsibilities and carry out those. She ignores my advice about health. She was grown up by her parents so that she never learned to take responsibility and always depended on others. When I try to convince her that she needs to change, her father tells her not to follow my words and she remains unchanged.

There has also always been some misunderstanding about what she talks and how she behaves when she visits our house and this has given rise to tension between my parents. My mother dislikes her and my father is very depressed due to the situation. I must say here that this does not seem to be a fault of my wife but is a problem of interpretation between my parents but it is a real problem. I spend most my time studying. However I am determined to do something about it. Otherwise things will go beyond my control.

Ethan felt like there was no point going on with life. Things had been tough since his mom died. His dad was working two jobs and seemed frazzled and angry most of the time. Whenever he and Ethan talked, it usually ended in yelling.

Ethan had just found out he'd failed a math test, and he was afraid of how mad and disappointed his dad would be. In the past, he always talked things over with his girlfriend — the only person who seemed to understand. But they'd broken up the week before, and now Ethan felt he had nowhere to turn.

Ethan knew where his dad kept his guns. But as he was unlocking the cabinet, he heard his kid sister arriving home from school. He didn't want Grace to be the person to find him, so he put the gun back and went to watch TV with her instead. Later, when he realized how close he'd come to ending his life, Ethan was terrified. He summoned the courage to talk to his dad. After a long conversation, he realized how much his dad cared. All he could think of was how he'd almost thrown it all away.



A/ Fill in the blanks with the right tense or form of the bracketed words. [4.5]

**B**uilding a positive relationship between parent and child is one that requires work and effort to make it strong and (succeed) ----- . Parenting is a tough job, and maintaining close relationships and open (communicate) ----- helps to ensure parents and their children stay (connect) ----- through all ages of their upbringing. The key is to (real) ----- play with your children. Play with dolls, ball, make believe, checkers, sing songs, or whatever (be) ----- fun and interesting. It doesn't matter what you play, just enjoy each other! Let kids see your silly side. Older kids enjoy cards, chess, computer games, while younger ones will have fun playing about anything...as long as it (involve) ----- you! You ought also to (tell) ----- your child you love him every day -- no matter his age. Expressing your love is (important) ----- than any other thing. Besides, teach your child about your faith and beliefs. Tell him what you believe and why. Allow your child (ask) ----- questions and answer them honestly. Reinforce those teachings often.

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overwhelmed / for / but / own/ of / consequently / self  
confident / outside / dangerous / affection / pity

**R**elationship between parents and children is very important particularly with their mothers. Yet, some mothers don't care ----- their children and don't pay attention to them. The cause of this problem is the mothers working. In fact, children need their mother's ----- . They want to have a mother who helps them in their studies and in their ----- life. Unfortunately, they are deprived of this right, for, the mother works all the day ----- and at home. At night, she ends up ----- and she sleeps quickly. Children want more time to enjoy their childhood; if they don't, they will be affected by bad friends and learn ----- habits such as smoking, drinking, drugs which may lead them to delinquency. -----, children will fail in their school life. So, children need their mothers with them all the day to make them feel ----- .How nice it is to have a non-working mum ! It's a great ----- to have a working one.

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