

THE FAMILY

Discuss or debate the questions below. Remember to support your answers!

- Do you think you'll be a good parent? (Or are you a good parent now?) What makes you think so?
- Do you think people should take a test, attend a class, or receive some sort of training before becoming parents? Why/not?
- Is it okay for same-sex couples to become parents? Why/not?
- In some countries, the nuclear family is breaking up. Is this happening in your country? Please explain.
- Do you think Mother's Day and Father's Day are good holidays? Are they important holidays? Why/not?

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- What did you do for Mother's Day last year? How about Father's Day? How about your parents' birthdays?
 - What skills and/or qualities does a person need to be a good parent? Why?
 - What kind of childhood did you have? Please explain.
 - How many children are just right for a family? Why do you think so?
 - Finish the sentence: "I wish my parents had..." Why did you choose this answer?
 - How have parents in general changed since you were a child? Why do you think so?
 - How have children in general changed since you were a child? Why do you think so?
 - Which is more important, where a child is raised or how a child is raised? Why?

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- Are children better or worse these days? Consider their behavior, their access to healthcare and education, their opportunities for the future, etc. Please explain.
 - Will children be better or worse in the next 20 years? Consider their behavior, their access to healthcare and education, their opportunities for the future, etc. Please explain.
 - Are arranged marriages a good idea? Why/not?

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- Do you agree or disagree? The main purpose of a marriage is to have children. Why/not?
 - When is a person too old to raise children? Why?
 - When is a person too young to raise children? Why?
 - "Spare the rod, spoil the child." What does this mean? Do you agree or disagree? Why?

