





Rules of Engagement

- I have the right to share my opinion and be listened to
- I have the right to pass
- I have the right to be respected and valued
- I have the right to keep what I discuss confidential *
- I have the right not to feel judged
- I have the right not to answer personal questions

*Unless what I'm saying causes concern and needs to be shared

Personal Development

Learning intentions

I understand that there are many different types of family.

I can tell you the qualities needed in a family to make it safe and happy.

I understand the different roles and responsibilities that can exist within a family.

Keywords:

- Family
- Relationships
- Qualities
- Roles
- Responsibility

SYMBOL

Family Word Bingo

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Choose 6 words/phrases from the list and add them to your grid:

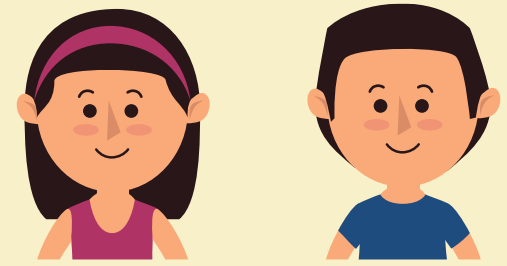
- SINGLE PARENT
- FOSTER FAMILY
- EXTENDED FAMILY
- BLENDED FAMILY
- GUARDIAN
- RELATIONSHIP
- MARRIAGE
- CIVIL PARTNERSHIP
- ADOPTION
- STEP-PARENT



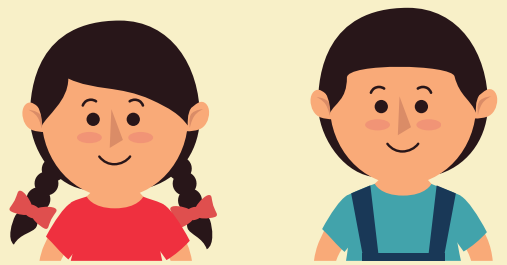
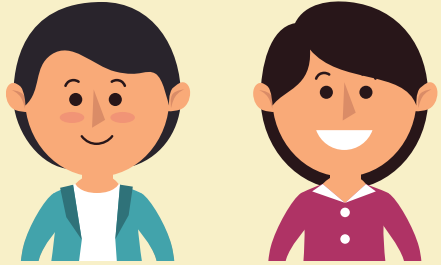
Listen out for the definition
and mark the word or
phrase on your grid if it
matches

Family words and their meanings

- **Single Parent** - A parent living alone with all or most of the responsibility for children
- **Foster family** - A family providing temporary care for children that are not their own
- **Extended family** - Grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and wider family members
- **Blended family** - Family formed as a result of parents re-marrying/living together and bringing children from their previous relationships
- **Guardian** - Person who has legal responsibility for child or children (or property)
- **Relationship** - Used to describe how people get on with each other
- **Marriage** - A legal and sometimes religious ceremony that couples undertake
- **Civil Partnership** - A legal partnership that couples complete that has no religious aspect
- **Adoption** - The formal process of guardianship for a child (not biological child)
- **Step-parent** - Term given to an adult someone's parent has a new relationship with that is not their biological



Family Figures



Choose 1 family figure in your life

- MUM
- AUNTIE
- UNCLE
- BROTHER
- SISTER
- COUSIN
- GRANDMA
- GRANDAD
- DAD
- FOSTER PARENT
- CARER
- STEP-DAD
- STEP-MUM
- STEP-BROTHER
- STEP-SISTER

What are their roles and responsibilities in the family?

They don't have to be from the list if there's someone else you'd like to choose!

What are YOUR roles and responsibilities in your family?

My roles:

My responsibilities:



Have your roles or responsibilities changed as you've become older?



Think about all the different families there are in the world.

What values would you hope they all share?

Finish the sentence:

It's important for families to...

FAMILY

A basic social unit consisting of parents and their children,
considered as a group.

Do you agree with this definition?

Is there anything missing?

What would you add or change?



As a group write a new definition that fits more
closely to what you think a family is.

What type of family is this?



Blended family: Where parent, step-parent and children from previous family are living together. Children may also spend time with the birth parent (and possibly their new family) who doesn't live with them.

Extended family: Grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins make an extended family. Sometimes members of the extended family live together in the same house, but more commonly they are spread across different homes and sometimes different countries!



What type of family is this?



Foster family: Children sometimes spend time in a foster family. There are many reasons why they are not living with their biological family. Sometimes foster parents adopt children and become their permanent legal guardian.

Some children live with two mums or two dads. Changes in the law have made it easier for LGBTQ+ people to live their lives openly and this includes being able to get married and have children. They can foster, adopt and the family may include the biological children of one or both partners.



What type of family is this?



Single parent family: this is where children live with one parent either permanently or most of the time. Some adults choose to have a baby alone, but more often it is due to the parents' relationship breaking down.

Nuclear family: A term often used to describe a male and female couple who have children together and live together.



Write an acrostic poem using the letters in FAMILY

Some suggestions to include:

- How would you define the term 'family'?
- What makes family important or special?
- What does being in a family mean to you?
- What different types of families are there?





Task

Create a comic strip in your group with captions and images. It must be a short story which involves a family relationship issue or problem. Use one of the ideas or create your own.

Family relationship comic strip - what's the solution?

Tia's grandma has always been fit and active and helped take care of her. Recently she's had an operation and has to take things easy. Tia's mum needs to spend more time looking after grandma now and Tia is having to take on a lot more responsibility herself.

Jake's mum has a new partner called Sonia. Sonia is great fun and the family are very happy. Recently some people have been posting nasty messages on social media about them. Now Sonia thinks she should move out the family home to stop this from happening.

Finlay's mum has been very happy since she got remarried to Paul. Finlay likes having Paul as his step-dad, but when his son comes to stay at weekends they always seem to end up fighting and this upsets everyone. Finlay tries but his step-brother is really mean to him.

Rose's grandad is moving in with her family and she's excited about it as he's good fun and interesting. However Rose's older sister is annoyed because a room she uses to meet her friends is going to be grandad's bedroom. There have been quite a few arguments about it.



When you finish, swap with another group.

Read their comic strip and answer the following question.

What solutions did the characters in the comic strip come up with to resolve the problem?

Challenge Task

Think about some of the families and family relationships from books, TV or movies.

Create character profiles for some of these people. Your character profile should include the following:

- Who they are and from what story, TV, movie?
- Who else is in their family
- What makes them a positive or negative family member?
- An example from the storyline that supports your ideas





It's a wrap!

Families come in all shapes and sizes and are a very important part of our lives. Having good relationships with family members is also important, even though it can sometimes be tricky!

We should feel safe and secure in our family relationships and know that there are people we can turn to for support and care. We should try to appreciate our families as some people don't have one, or the relationships in their family are difficult.

Within families there are lots of roles and responsibilities, including your own role which is likely to change as you get older, become more independent and responsible for some of your own decisions.

It is important to know where to get help and advice if you ever feel unsafe within your family and there will be people in school responsible for your safety who can support you.



Help and advice



Nobody should have to put up with abuse and discrimination. If you are worried about this there are places you can get help and advice.

At Ashby School there are plenty of staff here to help you
These include:

Your Form Tutor

Your Year Team Leader(s)

Your Subject Teachers

Other Professionals (including medical officer, well-being officer, school counsellor, safeguarding team & SEND team)



Homework task



Write down three things that you have learned about families or family relationships from this lesson.