

## Reading + Questions 1

The parents set the rules and the children obey, right? Wrong. In a growing number of North American families, adults have let their children take over. "Parents want to be nurturing and make their small children happy, but many have become confused about the best way to achieve this," explains a noted child psychologist. "Large numbers of parents are being controlled by their child, to the point that entire families end up organizing themselves around a small child's emotions." The problem is that many mothers and fathers try to be a friend to their children. However, parenting is not a popularity contest. Challenging authority is a normal part of child development and is strongest between the ages of four and six. Setting rules and enforcing them teaches the child that he or she is equal in worth but not equal in authority. Then the child feels safe and secure and can be a kid again. when parents back down from rules they set, children become insecure, anxious, and out of control.

### Questions

**1- who set the rules?**

a. parents. B. children.

**2- A large number of families are being controlled by who?**

a. By their brothers. b. By their children.

**3- What do parents want their small children to be?**

a. They want their children to be happy.

b. B. they want their children to be sad.

**4- who let their children take over?**

a. North American families. B. South American families.

**5- Who want to be nurturing?**

a. Children. B. parents.

**6- parents have become confused about what?**

- a. How to nurture and make their children sad.
- b. How to nurture and make their children happy.

**7- families organize themselves around what?**

- a. around their children`s school.
- b. around their children`s emotions.

**8- children normally challenge what?**

- a. Their brothers.
- b. Authority.

**9- what is not a popularity contest?**

- a. Parenting.
- b. Sleeping.

**10- setting rules teaches the child what?**

- a. Teaches him/her that he is equal.
- b. small.

**11- What do Parents try to be with their children?**

- a. bossy.
- b. friends.

**12- When children realize they are in charge of a situation, what do they feel?**

- a. Frightened.
- b. Relaxed.

**13- when parents back down from a rule, what do children feel?**

- a. Happy and anxious.
- b. insecure and anxious.

**14- who obey the rules?**

- a. children.
- b. Parents.

**15- Their (line 2) , refers to:**

- a. Adults.
- b. Children.

## My School

My name is Shi-Mei. My last name is Wei. My nickname is May. I am 16 years old. I am from Brooklyn, N.Y. I am a student at Everton High School. Mr. English teacher is Mr. Alvarez. He is kind and funny. My school's address is 161 North Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, 11222. My school is big and clean. It is colorful, too. My school is great.

### Exercises

1-What is Shi-Mei's last name?

shi. B) Mei. C) Alvarez. **D) Wei.**

2- How old is Shi-Mei?

**A) 16.** B) 17. C) 18. D) 20.

3-Who is Shi-Mei's teacher?

**A) Mr.Alvarez.** B) Mr. Saleh C) Mr. Ali D) Mr. Khalid.

4-What is Shi-Mei's teacher characteristics?

**A) Kind and funny.** B) Angry and funny. C) sad. D) happy

5-What is the name of Shi-Mei's school?

A) New York. **B)Everton.** C) Brooklyn. D) Wei.

6-What is Shi-Mei's nickname?

A)shi. B) Mei. C) May. **D) Wei.**

7-Where is Shi-Mei`s from?

A)Spain. B)England. C) Brooklyn N.Y. D) London.

8-What does Mr. Alvarez teach?

A)Arabic. B) French. C) Spanish. D) English.

9-What does Shi-Mei do?- she is a:

A)student. B) teacher. C) engineer. D) doctor.

10-What are some of the school`s characteristics?

A)Big and clean. B) small. C) dirty. D) big and dirty.

11-What does Shi-Mei think of her school?-she thinks it`s:

A)boring. B) great. C) sad. D) difficult.

My name is Tom. I am ten years old. My best friend is Dan. I have two sisters, Anna and Rita. Anna is seven and Rita is five years old. There is a big toy shop near our house. It is Mr. Thompson`s shop. There are many beautiful toys in it. Dan and I usually come to Mr. Thompson`s shop in the afternoon. We like to stop at the window and look at the toys. Mr. Thompson has small toys and big toys. He has some big airplanes on the shelf. He also has some pretty dolls on another shelf. Anna and Rita like to look at the dolls too.

### Excercises

1. What is near Tom and his sisters` house house?

a. Big toy shop

b. Small toy shop.

2. How old is Anna ?

a. Seven years old.

b. Five years old.

3. Mr. Thompson has some big.....on the shelf.

a. cars

b. airplanes.

4. Who is Tom`s best friend?

a. Dan.

b. Mr. Thompson.

5. How old is Tom?

a. Ten years old.

b. Six years old.

6- Dan and Tom usually go to Mr. Thompson`s shop:

a. In the afternoon.

b. in the morning.

7- There are many.....toys in the shop.

a. Plastic.

b. Beautiful.

8. How old is Rita?

a. Seven years old.

b. Five years old.

9. We (Line 4) refers to:

a. Dan and Tom.

b. Tom.

10. It (line 3), refers to:

A. Mr. Thompsons` shop.

b. toys.

11. Tom and Dan like to stop at the window and:

a. Look at the toys.

b. destroy the toys.

12. He (line 5) refers to:

A. Tom.

b. Mr. Thompson.

13- Rita and Anna like too look at:

a. The dolls.

b. The beach.

14- Our (line 2), refers to:

a. House.

b. Tom and his sisters.

15- My (line 1), refers to:

a. Dan.

b. Tom

## 4. Reading :

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### A. Word & Pronoun Reference

Ahmed and his sister are from Riyadh. They study English at university. She is older than him. He speaks English better than her. They always go there by bus. It is a very suitable place for practicing English. They always speak English with each other to improve their language. Ahmed and his sister study at King Saud University. Ahmed wants to be an English teacher. He likes English because it is fun to learn. His sister wants to be a secretary because she is excellent in communication. In the house, Ahmed likes to eat fish. His sister likes to eat chicken. However, they both like to drink apple juice. Ahmed and his sister are happy with their lives.

1. **She ( line 1)** refers to :

his sister sister

2. **him ( line 1)** refers to :

Ahmed

3. **They ( line 3)** refers to :

Ahmed and his sister

4. **There ( line 2)** refers to :

university

5. **He ( line 1)** refers to :

Ahmed

6. **It ( line 2)** refers to :

university

7. **Their ( line 3)** refers to :

Ahmed and his sister

8-Ahmed and his sister like to drink:

a. Orange juice.

b. Apple juice.

9-Ahmed likes English because it is:

a. boring.

b. fun.

10- His sister wants to be:

a. A doctor.

b. a secretary.

11- Ahmed and his sister study in:

- a. King Faisal University.      b. King Saud university.

12- Ahmed likes to eat:

- a. Meat.      b. fish.

13- His sister likes to eat:

- a. chicken.      b. meat.

14- Ahmed wants to be:

- a. An English teacher.      b. A math teacher.

15- Ahmed and his sister are:

- a. Happy with their lives.      b. sad with their lives.

16- His sister is excellent in:

- a. painting.      b. communication.

17- Ahmed and his sister are from:

- a. Riyadh.      b. Bahrain.

18- Who is better in English?

- a. Ahmed.      b. His sister.

19- Ahmed and his sister go to university by:

- a. Train.      b. Bus.

## B. Scanning & Skimming

8. Where are Ahmed and his sister from? They're from \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. university      B. Riyadh  
C. English      D. the bus

9. Who is better in English? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Ahmed's sister      B. English language  
C. Ahmed      D. English

10. How do they go to university? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. On foot      B. In a taxi  
C. By plane      D. By bus