

1 Family life

Stages in life

adolescence /ˌædəˈlesns/
 adolescent /ˌædəˈlesnt/
 adult /ˈædʌlt/
 adulthood /ˈædʌlthud/
 age group /ˈeɪdʒ grʊːp/
 at the age of
 (eighteen) /ət ði ˈeɪdʒ əv/
 baby /ˈbeɪbi/
 be born /bi ˈbɔːn/
 birth /bɜːθ/
 child /tʃaɪld/
 kid (informal) /kɪd/
 childhood /ˈtʃaɪldhʊd/
 death /deθ/
 die /daɪ/
 elderly (person) /ˈeldəli/
 generation /dʒenəˈreɪʃn/
 grow up /grəʊ ˈʌp/
 grown-up (informal) /ˈgrəʊnʌp (n)/
 marriage /ˈmæɪrɪdʒ/
 middle age /ˌmɪdl ˈeɪdʒ/
 middle-aged (person) /ˌmɪdl ˈeɪdʒd/
 OAP (BrE) (Old Age Pensioner) /əʊ
 ər ˈpiː/
 old age /əʊld ˈeɪdʒ/
 pensioner /ˈpenʃənə(r)/
 teenager /ˈtiːneɪdʒə(r)/
 toddler /ˈtɒdlə(r)/
 youth /juːθ/

People in your life

acquaintance /əˈkwentəns/
 adopted /əˈdɒptɪd/
 adoption /əˈdɒpʃn/
 aunt /ɑːnt/
 best friend /best ˈfrend/
 boyfriend /ˈbɔɪfrend/
 brother /ˈbrʌðə(r)/
 children (pl) /ˈtʃɪldrən/
 close friend /kləʊs ˈfrend/
 couple /ˈkʌpl/
 cousin /ˈkʌzn/
 dad (informal) /dæd/
 daddy (informal) /ˈdædi/
 daughter /ˈdɔːtə(r)/
 daughter-in-law /ˈdɔːtə(r)ɪn,lɔː/
 divorced /dɪˈvɔːst/
 ex-husband /eksˈhʌzbənd/
 ex-wife /eksˈwaɪf/
 family member /ˈfæməli membə(r)/
 father /ˈfɑːðə(r)/
 father-in-law /ˈfɑːðə(r)ɪn,lɔː/
 fiancé /fiˈnseɪ/
 fiancée /fiˈnseɪ/
 foster children /ˈfɒstə ˈtʃɪldrən/
 foster parents /ˈfɒstə ˈpeərənts/
 girlfriend /ˈgɜːlfrend/
 grandchildren (pl) /ˈgræntʃɪldrən/
 granddad (informal) /ˈgrændæd/
 grandfather /ˈgrænfaːðə(r)/
 grandma (informal) /ˈgrænmaː/

grandmother /ˈgrænməðə(r)/
 grandpa (informal) /ˈgrænpɑː/
 grandparents (pl) /ˈgrænpæərənts/
 granny (informal) /ˈgræni/
 half brother /ˈhaɪf brʌðə(r)/
 half sister /ˈhaɪf sɪstə(r)/
 husband /ˈhʌzbənd/
 husband-to-be /ˈhʌzbəndtəˈbiː/
 in-laws (pl) /ˈɪnlɔːz/
 mother /ˈmʌðə(r)/
 mother-in-law /ˈmʌðə(r)ɪn,lɔː/
 mum (AmE mom) (informal) /mʌm/
 mummy (informal) /ˈmʌmi/
 nephew /ˈnefjuː/
 niece /niːs/
 nuclear family /ˌnjuːkliə ˈfæməli/
 an only child /ən ˌəʊnli ˈtʃaɪld/
 parents (pl) /ˈpeərənts/
 partner /ˈpɑːtnə(r)/
 relative /ˈrelatɪv/
 sister /ˈsɪstə(r)/
 sister-in-law /ˈsɪstə(r)ɪn,lɔː/
 son /sʌn/
 son-in-law /ˈsʌnɪn,lɔː/
 spouse (formal) /spaʊs/
 stepdaughter /ˈstepdɔːtə(r)/
 stepfather /ˈstepfɑːðə(r)/
 stepmother /ˈstepmʌðə(r)/
 stepson /ˈstepsʌn/
 triplets /ˈtrɪpləts/
 twins /twɪnz/
 uncle /ˈʌŋkl/
 wife /waɪf/
 wife-to-be /ˈwaɪftəˈbiː/

Relationships

be married (to sb) /bi ˈmæɪrɪd/
 be expecting (a child) /bi
 ɪkˈspektɪŋ/
 be pregnant /bi ˈpregnənt/
 be a role model /bi ə ˈrəʊl mɒdl/
 be single /bi ˈsɪŋɡl/
 break up (with sb) /breɪk ˈʌp/
 circle of friends /ˌsɜːkl əv ˈfrendz/
 fall out (with sb) /fɔːl ˈaʊt/
 generation gap /dʒenəˈreɪʃn ˌɡæp/
 get divorced /get dɪˈvɔːst/
 get engaged /get ɪnˈgeɪdʒd/
 get married (to sb) /get ˈmæɪrɪd/
 get on well (with sb) /get ɒn ˈwel/
 go out (with sb) /ɡəʊ ˈaʊt/
 have an argument / a
 disagreement / a row (with sb)
 /hæv ən ˈɑːɡjʊmənt ə dɪsəˈɡrɪmənt ə
 ˈraʊ/
 have a child /hæv ə ˈtʃaɪld/
 make up (with sb) /meɪk ˈʌp/
 married couple /ˌmæɪrɪd ˈkʌpl/
 (close / distant) relation /rɪˈleɪʃn/
 relationship /rɪˈleɪʃnʃɪp/
 marry (sb) /ˈmæri/
 (start a / have a / end a)
 relationship (with sb)
 /rɪˈleɪʃnʃɪp/

run away (from home) /rʌn əˈweɪ/
 set an example /set ən ɪɡˈzɑːmpl/
 split up (with sb) /splɪt ˈʌp/
 start a family /ˌstɑːt ə ˈfæməli/

Family history

ancestors (pl) /ˈænsestəz/
 descendants (pl) /dɪˈsendənts/
 family history /ˌfæməli ˈhɪstri/
 family tree /ˌfæməli ˈtriː/
 forebears (pl) /ˈfɔːbeəz/
 genealogist /dʒɪˈnɪˌælədʒɪst/
 genealogy /dʒɪˈnɪˌælədʒi/
 origins (pl) /ˈɒrɪdʒɪnz/
 past /pɑːst/
 trace back /treɪs ˈbæk/

Daily routine

babysit /ˈbeɪbɪsɪt/
 bring up (children) /brɪŋ ˈʌp/
 brush (one's) teeth /brʌʃ ˈtiːθ/
 (domestic / household) chores
 /tʃɔːz/
 clean /kliːn/
 clear up /ˌkliə(r) ˈʌp/
 commute /kəˈmjʊt/
 do housework /duː ˈhaʊswɜːk/
 do ... /duː/
 the cooking /ðə ˈkʊkɪŋ/
 the dusting /ðə ˈdʌstɪŋ/
 the ironing /ði ˈaɪrənɪŋ/
 the shopping /ðə ˈʃɒpɪŋ/
 the washing /ðə ˈwɒʃɪŋ/
 the washing-up /ðə ˈwɒʃɪŋ ˈʌp/
 get dressed /get ˈdrest/
 get ready (for bed / school) /get
 ˈredi/
 get up /get ˈʌp/
 go ... /ɡəʊ/
 to bed (early / late) /tə ˈbed/
 to school /tə ˈskuːl/
 to the office /tə ði ˈɒfɪs/
 to work /tə ˈwɜːk/
 go out /ɡəʊ ˈaʊt/
 have (AmE take) a bath /hæv ə
 ˈbɑːθ/
 have ... /hæv/
 a meal /ə ˈmiːl/
 breakfast /ˈbrekfəst/
 lunch /lʌntʃ/
 tea /tiː/
 dinner /ˈdmə(r)/
 supper /ˈsʌpə(r)/
 have (AmE take) a shower /hæv ə
 ˈʃaʊə(r)/
 have a rest /hæv ə ˈrest/
 lie down /laɪ ˈdaʊn/
 lie in /laɪ ˈɪn/
 look after (children) /lʊk ˈɑːftə(r)/
 (make / prepare) meals /miːlz/
 (have a / take a) nap /næp/
 provide (for the family) /prəˈvaɪd/
 put on (clothes) /put ˈɒn/
 raise (children) /reɪz/