**Test 1. Family**

**Exercise1: Fill in the blanks using suitable words from the box. There are 2 extra words!**

**save up/ complaining / enough/ embarrassed / purchases/ let / allowance/ enough/most**

Dear editor, Hi, my name is Amy. I have one problem. Every year, before I start school, my parents don’t…………….. me buy any school clothes. They always tell me you have…………….. and all that stuff. They want me to wear everything from last year. Right now I only have 5 t-shirts and 2 pairs of jeans which are from last year. I am getting…………………. to go to school because everyone else goes school shopping before school starts. My mom always says I have the ………………clothes out of my friends but it’s not true! My friends buy 30 shirts and 3 pairs of jeans which I think is good for the whole year. I’m not ………………..or saying I’m jealous of my friends. I’m just talking about necessary………………... Mom hates shopping and my dad hates when I bring it up. People are starting to make fun of me in school. I can tell. How can I convince my mom? By the way the clothes that I have I wore last year and she wants me to wear them now! If I want to buy anything mom would make me …………………..from my money. This is unfair! What can I do? Help!

**Exercise2: Put the bracketed words in the correct form.**

For generations of teenagers, access to the family car has been a rare moment of freedom, an opportunity to turn up the stereo and drive **(fast)** …………….. without a seatbelt. But not any more, not at **(little)**……………., for the offspring of parents who drive a Ford car. The new cars have a second car key which can be programmed with specific limitations to make teenage motoring as safe as possible. The Ford company found that parents welcomed the chance to manage the **(behave)** ……………… of their teenage children. For example, parents can put a maximum speed limit on the car as well as a maximum volume on the audio system. Seatbelt reminders are louder and **(frequent)** ……………….. ”the more we can do to encourage safe driving the **(good)** ……………..,” said Peter Patzelt, the Ford designer. “Parents can now set limitations while still **(allow)**………………….the freedom to drive a car.”

**Exercise3: Choose the right option.**

The best time for us was probably when Claire was a little girl. She was indeed a **(good-natured/ good-nature/** **well- natured)** child. We were very close **(however - so- and)** we had a tough period when she was about fifteen years old. She became obstinate and **(good-tempered/ ill-tempered/ badly-tempered)**. I remember that we **(quarreled – argued– fought)** a lot over coming home late at night, dating, helping with the housework and **(least/ worst/ most)** of all about her performance at school. Presumably, I wasn’t strict enough at the time for I never hit her or even yelled at her. I just warned her against **(obedience/ disobedience/ disobedient)** and rudeness. Claire is 18 now and she is moremature. We get on well and talk things over and we don’t have huge arguments anymore. We see eye to eye and she leans **(at/ on/over)** me for support and I’m always happy to give her my advice.

**Exercise4: Match sentence parts together to get a coherent paragraph.**

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| **1.** I have been hurt by my brother all my life. |
| **2.** for me, it was more than that |
| **3.** I could never fight back |
| **4.** I spent nights |
| **5.** I couldn’t tell anyone about it |

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| **a.** and what happened affected me in a serious way. |
| **b.** thinking about what could happen to me the next day |
| **c.** While it wasn’t considered as violence for my parents, only brothers fighting |
| **d.** for it makes me feel like a loser. |
| **e.** and I remember being frightened all the time. |

1. **LISTENING COMPREHENSION:**
2. **Are the following statements true or false? Tick (√) the right box.**

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| **Statements** | **True** | **False** |
| 1. Randall Davis grew up in the state of Utah. |  |  |
| 1. He studied in the University of Venezuela. |  |  |
| 1. He lived with his family abroad for years. |  |  |
| 1. The father's got four children. |  |  |
| 1. He has a very close relationship with the kids. |  |  |

* **Choose the correct option.**

According to Davis, the most important things in life are things we do

1. at school.
2. at home.
3. at work.

* During the family hikes, the father

1. points out the wild life along the way.
2. teaches them about nature.
3. enjoys telling them stories about his life.

* The family often goes on

1. 12-kilometer hike.
2. 10-kilometer hike.
3. 8-kilometer hike.

**Choose the right meaning of the phrases written in bold.**

* I wanted to **make something of myself** in my profession. Means:

1. = work hard.
2. = become successful.
3. = make myself rich.

* You have come up with ideas [**off the top of your head**](http://www.esl-lab.com/hiking/hikingsc1.htm#key)**.** Means:

1. **=**lie.
2. **=** remember old stories.
3. **=**say something without preparation.