

## Opinions on relationships

*Taking turns sharing your opinions on topics from below and reacting to the other person's opinions, trying to find opinions that you share.*

- acquaintances
- adoption/ fostering (of orphans, of children in care, etc)
- (extramarital) affairs
- ancestors (great-grandparents, etc) – descendants (grandchildren, etc)
- birth control (the pill, abortions, etc)
- blended families (with half siblings, stepsiblings, etc)
- breaking up/ splitting up
- (drinking/ golf/...) buddies/ mates
- business contacts/ business relationships (networking, etc)
- (afterschool/ preschool/ paid/ unpaid) childcare/ looking after (small) children (babysitters, nannies, etc)
- childless couples
- civil partnerships
- classroom relationships (classmates, friends from school, fellow graduates, old school tie, etc)
- (blind/ group/ double/ first/ dream/ nightmare/ speed) dates/ dating
- dating apps
- divorce/ separation
- exes (ex-wives, ex-boyfriends, etc)
- extended families (cousins, great-grandparents, etc)
- family firms
- (best/ good/ male and female/ old/ online/ close) friends/ friendships
- friendliness/ sociability – shyness/ unsociability
- getting together as a family (family celebrations, etc)
- (the importance of) having things in common
- (single member/ multigenerational/ nuclear) households
- housemates/ flatmates/ roommates
- inheritance
- in-laws (relationships with mothers-in-law, etc)
- jealousy
- keeping in touch (= staying in contact) – losing touch/ losing contact
- leaving home
- LGBTQI+ relationships
- living together (before marriage)
- long-lasting relationships
- (true) love (at first sight) – crushes/ infatuations
- marriage (agencies/ equality)
- (gay/ arranged/ long/ second) marriages
- married life
- maternity leave/ paternity leave
- mentors/ mentorship
- middle children

- Mother's Day
- mums and dads/ parenting (helicopter parents, joint custody, tiger mothers, etc)
- (nosy) neighbours
- oldest children/ big brothers and sisters – youngest children/ baby brothers and sisters
- (spoilt) only children
- open relationships/ open marriages
- (old/ getting on with/ taking after) parents
- pets
- polygamy
- (fancy/ romantic/ public/ filmed) proposals
- settling down
- sex education (in schools)
- sexual harassment/ unwanted attention
- social networks
- subsidies for families/ for people with children
- (un)successful marriages/ relationships
- teenagers/ teenage children
- Valentine's Day
- wedding (rings/ vows/ ceremonies/ receptions)
- (expense of/ location of/ guests at/ religious/ secular/ shotgun/ white) weddings
- workplace relationships (workmates, friends at work, senior members of staff, etc)

*Tell the class some opinions that you agree on and see if they agree.*

*Ask about vocabulary above that you don't understand, couldn't make opinions on, etc, working together to make possible opinions each time.*