Family

Tell me about your family.

Well, my father is an engineer and my mother works for the local government. I have three <u>siblings</u>, two younger brothers and an older sister. My two brothers are in high school, and my sister studies medicine at a university in Australia.

What kind of things do you and your family do together?

We do a lot together because we are a close family. We eat dinner together every day. This is when we catch up and share news with each other. I have a large extended

family, so we go to events and meet my grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins.

Who does the housework in your family?

In Bangladesh, the women do the housework, so my mother does most of it and I help her. My younger brothers also have some chores like cleaning their bedrooms and mowing the lawn. My father works long hours, so he's pretty tired when he gets home and just relaxes in front of the tv.

Would you prefer to have a larger or smaller family? [Why]

Personally, I'd prefer to have a larger family. I've grown up in quite a large family, and I would feel lonely if I had fewer <u>relatives</u>. I'm lucky that I <u>get on</u> well with everyone in my family. They make my life very enjoyable.

Siblings: brothers and sisters.

A close family: a family whose members have a close relationship.

Extended family: wider members of your family (not parents and siblings),

including grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Relatives: a person connected by blood or marriage.

Get on/along: have a good relationship.

Practice Questions

Tell me about your family.

What kind of things do you and your family do together?

Do you get along well with your family?

Are people in your country generally close to their families?

Would you prefer to have a larger or smaller family? [Why]