

There are different types of families:

- **Nuclear Family** that consists of two parents and children.
- **The single parent family** consists of one parent raising one or more children on his own.
- **The extended family** structure consists of two or more adults who are related, either by blood or marriage, living in the same home.
- **Childless families** are couples who either cannot or choose not to have children.
- **A blended family** is one where the parents have children from previous relationships but all the members come together as one unit.

Conversation questions:

1. What three words do you think best describe your family?
2. What is your favorite family tradition?
3. How do you think your friends' families compare to yours? ...
4. Do you think your friends talk to their parents?
5. What do you think makes a family close?
6. On a scale of 1 to 10, how strict are the parents in your family?
7. Are your parents overprotective?
 - a. Who is more overprotective? Your mom or your dad?
8. Do many wives work in your country?
9. Who should care of elderly people?
10. Should people get married in their early 20's?
11. Who has the most power in your family?
12. What is the perfect number of children a family should have?
13. What do you think of people who marry and decide not to have children?
14. What do you think about couples who have more like 6 children?
15. Is it better for mothers to stay at home with kids or go to work?
16. Do you prefer spending time with your family or friends?
17. What's the best age to get married?

18. Which is better: being married or being single? Why?

IDIOMS RELATED TO FAMILY

Take after someone

Get along with / get on with someone - have good relationships

The apple doesn't fall far from the tree

To follow in someone's footsteps

Like father, like son

Run in the family

Breadwinner

Black sheep

Family man

