**10. HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS**

**1. PICTURE DESCRIBING**

Describe how the people are feeling in the pictures. Use the words below. When did you last feel this way?

*frustrated, shocked, depressed, in love, disappointed, furious, angry, amused, frightened*

   

**2. DISCUSSION**

1**. What is human relationship?**

Human relationship describes the way people get on with each other. Relationships are created between parents, children, married couple, friends, men and women, employees and employers. There are relationships for a long time or for a short time, formal or informal relationships.

**2. What are formal and informal human relationships?**

**Informal relationships** are formed in families. The family is the basic social unit. **Formal relationships** are among people at school, work and in the streets. They are not very deep and open. They are formed among people of different social positions: teachers and students, employers and employees, doctors and patients etc.

**3. Why are relationships difficult nowadays?**

Nowadays human relationships are very complicated. Many people are stressed out, busy and tired. Some friendships last a short time, others for our whole life.

**4. What are common reasons for divorce?**

Normally two people get married because they love each other and they want to raise a family. However, after some times they may find out that there are no more reasons why to be together and they usually divorce.

Common reasons for divorce are love disappearing, lack of faith and trust, financial problems and a dependence on alcohol, drugs or gambling.

**5. What is some friendship? Name the qualities of real friends.**

**Friendship** is a relationship between people who have something in common. They spend a lot of time together, support and help each other. True friend is he or she who is always there for me. Someone who I can speak about everything, share secrets. True friends accept each other, they show their true feelings. They are not jealous, arrogant, conceited, moody, noisy or nosy or sometimes bad-tempered.

**6. Why do some friendships end?**

Some friendships lose importance and die out. It happens when people stop contacting each other or because of unresolved arguments. If we want to keep our friends for a long time, we should stay in touch with them, send e-mails, call them or go to lunch.

**3. SITUATION**

Speak about an argument you have had with a friend or a family member. Use the following questions to help you. Who was the argument with? How do you get on in general? What was the argument about? Who started it? How did you solve it?





Picture 1 Picture 2

**Task 1** Why are the people in picture 1 arguing? What do you think? Why do people in picture 2 look so happy? Do you think that they do not argue at all? What are pros and cons of a family argument? Compare the position of the father in both pictures.

**TASK 2** How would you solve their argument? How do people usually solve family arguments? Is it a good model of behaviour for the children?

**TASK 3** *‘ I would live on a deserted island like Robinson if I could.’*

Discuss the possible reasons. Why do some people prefer to be alone?

Would you say such a statement? If yes, explain why. Why not? Where would you like to live? What possibilities do young people have for housing?

Why do most of the people try to create their homes and start their own families? What is the main role of the family? What do lonely people miss most? What do you find in your family? Which other types of relationships can people have except for family?