

## **Youngsters and Family Values**

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### **Abstract**

This paper depicts the concept of deviation of values in youths. Further it says various reasons for the immature behavior of the youth. It has also analysed the youth in ancient and modern period. It has found the vigorous change in the youth during modern period. When the values are neglected the youth indulge in many unwanted events. They go for using drugs, planned-killing, etc. ... It is very clear that the nuclear family system has its impact on the youth. They have no grandparents with them almost. They find no time to spend along with their parents. That's why they are pushed into taking their own decision while they are away from the parents. They are courageous to do anything without the knowledge of their parents. Youngsters now have been tied with the modern technology and they have everything (good and bad) in their hands. When they are well directed and taught some good manners only they will be able to survey in this world with some good values. Once if they are uncared they will mingle with the surroundings and habits. They indulge in Western culture and habits forgetting completely our tradition and culture.

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### **Period of Life**

Youth is the only period of life, where one decides his/her fate. Every person in this world possess some or the other values, which according to him/her are good. Talking about youth, they don't really give a thought regarding what values they should inculcate into them. So, according to me, following are some values that in today's youth is lacking: Honesty, Respect, Patience, Accountability and Responsibility.

## **Present Attitude**

The role of present youth in this ever-changing world has its impact on our society. The present youngsters assume the western values as their culture. They have openly started pushing for the lifestyle of a modern man and woman as an open challenge to our traditional values and customs. They aped the western culture and act like the actors, actresses and models. Although we have a strict traditional values, cultures, and customary laws, the modern youngsters have kept that values aside and decide themselves aping the modern civilization. Practicing the modern styles is not going to pay them back any good in life. The present “attitude” of the young modern men and women for consuming alcohol, drugs usage, partying at night, and dressing indecently is what’s disturb parents the most. The recent incident that had happened last month, raids of 79 youth in an objectionable atmosphere under influenced of alcohol conducted by the NSCN(IM) OSD team, act as signal to the rest of the society. Lack of moral education and parental discipline and guidance is to be blamed for these aggressive and anti-social youth. In a day of widespread drugs usage, immorality, civil disobedience, vandalism, and violence, we must not depend on hope and luck to fashion the critical attitudes. The unstructured technique was applied during the childhood of the generation which is now in college, and the outcome has been quite discouraging. Permissiveness has not just been a failure, it’s been a disaster.

## **Today’s Family**

In today’s society, family is seldom together-members off to their own works. Thus they separate day by day, vaguely aware of mutual joys, sharing or needs. Children spend most of each day away from their parents. Emotional alienation can easily follow physical absence. Here and there very young children are left to themselves. Alcoholism in grade students begin nipping from wine bottles when parents are away.

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from wine bottles when parents are away. Social progress has come to be equated with technical progress, particularly since the Industrial Revolution (Beniger, 1989). This progress has not always been acknowledged at the time it was occurring; indeed, as Beniger further notes, 'human society seems rather to evolve largely through changes so gradual as to be all but imperceptible, at least compared to the generational cycles of the individuals through whose lives they unfold' (Beniger, 1989, p. 2). Perhaps because of this 'historical myopia', the value of the change may not be evaluated until the changes have already passed (Beniger, 1989, p. 2).

Teenagers pull out on the family. A revolution in lifestyles is a more appropriate description. Standards of morality, ethics, religions, and custom have been chopped at the roots by adolescents bent on doing their own things. Nowadays mothers don't find time to feed, tell folk stories and play with their children. In order to have a healthy society, hereafter parents should make an effort to bring up mentally and physically healthy children.

In ancient times, old generation were blessed to breathe a cleaner air and enjoy more beautiful and eye-soothing beauty of nature. No T.V, No Internet. Hence more time to spend with family. More fun. More issues discussed. Better unity in family. Thus, joint families thrived. Outdoor games dominated. "*My grandfather tells me often that even in scorching summer afternoons, he was dragged indoor forcefully.*" Such was the craze for outdoors. This kept them more physically fit and healthy. No smartphones and no internet. Yet, there was the best of contact across miles. Hearts were together. Feelings were more real. Clothes have seen a great change. Men used to wear cotton *dhotis*. Unlike other people of his age, my grandfather hasn't switched to pants or pyjamas. I've never seen him wearing any of these things. He always carries his white *dhoti* in the same old traditional way. Old generations were lucky to have those strict punishments. They reminded them never to repeat the same mistake even in dreams. And yes, it prevented those pre-mature minds suffer the disadvantage of experience.

## **Ladies**

Ladies used to make *achaars* (pickles), *papad*, *mangodi*, etc. This made children have great tasty stuff to eat at home itself. Morals were held very high, quite a bit more than today. Yes,

we have developed techniques and ideologies today. But I feel yesterday's generation has lot more to cherish.

### **Age of Androids**

Modern time is called the age of Androids. Humanity is acting like robots. They are codependent for information, checks & balances, & to receive new jobs. Humanity has become reliant on machines for every aspect of life. We're imitating caring about our children. Yet, we hand the majority of the child's education & supervision over to machines (phones, TV, computer, game systems) & other Androids (teachers, coaches, child care services) that must teach pre-programmed lessons.

### **Scoff at Authority**

Socrates commented that the youth 'scoff at authority and lack respect for their elders. Gill Jones opined 'understanding the concept of youth means understanding the relationship between youth people and society.(Gill Jones 30) Teenagers need love and support from parents at a time when lots of other things in their lives are changing. One can keep relationship with your teenage child strong through ordinary, everyday activities. Many people think that families become less important to children as they move into the teenage years. But our child needs our family and the support it offers as much as she did when she was younger. It is true that family relationships change during adolescence. When your child was young, your role was to nurture and guide him. Now one might be finding that our relationship with our child is becoming more equal. Most young people and their families have some ups and downs during these years, but things usually improve by late adolescence as children become more mature. And family relationships tend to stay strong right through. For teenagers, parents and families are a source of care and emotional support. Families give teenagers practical, financial and material help. And most teenagers still want to spend time with their families, sharing ideas and having fun.

Unfortunately, no one is bothered to dream any s vision. Martin Luther has said, "I have a Dream" and the dream come largely true. If he had not thought of that dream he would have accomplished nothing in his life. Another problem is its indifferent attitude towards things,

situation and politics. The new cool formula of “let the things be “is proving fatal to India’s development. Lack of unity and spirit is the major set-back . It’s time the youth, the students have to realize their power, their role, their duties and their responsibility and stand up for their rights. Now it’s time that instead of brain drain we should act like magnets and attract world to India.

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