EXTENDED WRITING: TEENAGERS

B2 | Adults / Teens | Discussion Writing | 20–30 minutes | Set 2

Write developed answers. Support your ideas with reasons, examples, or a personal experience.

1. Did you enjoy being a teenager? Why or why not?

2. Should teenagers be allowed to use alcohol or tobacco? From what age?

3. What advice would you give your teenage self?

4. Are teenagers generally better behaved than when you were young?

5. What are the biggest problems teenagers face?

6. Would you like to be a teenager again?

7. Who is a good role model for teenagers, and why?

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Possible B2 answers: Notice how each response gives a clear idea and support.

1. Did you enjoy being a teenager? Why or why not?

Example: I enjoyed parts of being a teenager because life felt full of possibilities, but I also worried too much about other people's opinions. It is a period of rapid change.

2. Should teenagers be allowed to use alcohol or tobacco? From what age?

Example: Teenagers should not use alcohol or tobacco because both can affect health and judgement. Laws should be supported by honest education rather than only punishment.

3. What advice would you give your teenage self?

Example: I would tell my teenage self to take small failures less personally and ask for help sooner. Most problems feel permanent at that age, but they usually change with time.

4. Are teenagers generally better behaved than when you were young?

Example: Teenagers may be better informed and more aware of social issues, although adults often judge each generation unfairly. Behaviour depends more on support and opportunity than age alone.

5. What are the biggest problems teenagers face?

Example: Major problems include academic pressure, mental health, online comparison and uncertainty about the future. Many teenagers also feel they must make adult decisions too early.

6. Would you like to be a teenager again?

Example: I would not choose to be a teenager again because I value the confidence that comes with experience. However, I would like to keep some of the curiosity from that period.

7. Who is a good role model for teenagers, and why?

Example: My former teacher is a good role model for teenagers because she treats people fairly and admits mistakes. She showed us that being responsible doesn't mean pretending to be perfect.

8. What is the most difficult age to be?

Example: The most difficult age depends on the person, but the transition from adolescence to adulthood can be challenging because expectations increase before confidence has fully developed.