EXTENDED WRITING: FATHERS AND FAMILIES

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

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

1. Tell me about a father figure in your life.

2. In what ways are you similar to your father or a parent?

3. What are the hardest parts of being a father?

4. What makes a good role model for fathers?

5. What are advantages of different family structures?

6. How has the role of fathers changed?

7. Who is a father or father figure you admire, and why?

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

1. Tell me about a father figure in your life.

Example: My uncle was a father figure when I was growing up. He helped me repair my bike and listened to my worries, showing his care through ordinary, reliable actions.

2. In what ways are you similar to your father or a parent?

Example: Like my father, I enjoy fixing things and tend to stay quiet in large groups. We're different in other ways, but working on small projects together has always brought us closer.

3. What are the hardest parts of being a father?

Example: One hard part is balancing work with being present for a child. A father may be exhausted after a long day, yet still need to listen patiently and offer support.

4. What makes a good role model for fathers?

Example: A good role model for fathers shares responsibilities and treats children with respect. For example, admitting when he has been unfair shows that apologising isn't a sign of weakness.

5. What are advantages of different family structures?

Example: An extended family may offer help from several generations, while a smaller household may find decisions easier to coordinate. What matters most is reliable care, not assuming one structure always works best.

6. How has the role of fathers changed?

Example: In my family, fathers now share more childcare than in my grandparents' generation. My brother takes his daughter to school, for example, rather than treating daily care as only her mother's job.

7. Who is a father or father figure you admire, and why?

Example: I admire my uncle because he makes time for his children even when work is busy. He also listens to their opinions instead of expecting them simply to obey.

8. What did your family teach you about raising children?

Example: My family taught me to be consistent but willing to listen. Clear rules helped us feel secure, while being allowed to explain a mistake made it easier to be honest.