10  HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS

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C) Problems in society

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Good relationship = how group of people feel each other and behave towards each other, people are friendly towards each other, work well together

Types of relations: students/classmates ↔ parents ↔ man

Teachers ↔ children ↔ woman

Get on with sb., be on excellent/good terms with sb., have to respect/obey sb., scold sb. for st., (un)friendly, romantic, be in/fall in love with sb., a broken friendship, negative relationship, true friends

B) Friendship and love

Values, attitudes, dates, parties

Changes of relationship – when people get older, at different ages

Friendship – qualities of a good friendship

Friend: the same values, similar attitude towards life as we do

we like these people

solution of the problems in the same way

can help us, we can rely on them

can change into love/romantic relationship – if people fall in love with each other

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L dates, marriage

can break up = split up, stop living together

official end of marriage – divorce

various forms of love: parental, couples, towards country/animals/nature…

relationship man–woman: can be true friends? If yes, are they “just” friends or something more? Real feelings?

C) Problems in society

Relationship problems:

➢ based on prejudice, illiteracy, intolerance, misunderstanding, closed-mindedness

➢ between people of different races, religions, minorities and social classes

➢ sometimes people are just rude because they know nothing about the other person or group of people and are suspicious

disabled people – prejudice in society against them?

Great improvement in people’s attitude towards them:

o Ignorance has been replaced by information

o Fear has been replaced by understanding

o The pity has been replaced by positive practical help

Usually brilliant thinkers, great craftsmen, artists, performers, sportsmen

Addicted people (drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, etc.)

Homeless people
TASKS:

Picture

- Comment on the different types of relationships in the pictures and express your own opinion.
- Talk about friendship and love.

Topic

- Analyse the importance of friendship in a human life.
- In your opinion what qualities make someone a good friend?
- Describe your best friend. Compare his values with your ones and say whether your friends influence your values.

Role-play

You would like to organise a surprise birthday party for a friend at your place. Ask your friend, who you would like to help you with the arrangements, if he/she agrees and whether he/she is willing to help you. Tell him/her about your ideas regarding the food and drink you want to serve and all other details (e.g. time, number of people, music, presents, decorations, etc.)

Additional vocabulary:
envious, hateful, hospitable, rude, spoilt, responsible, independent, stubborn, open, heartless, old-fashioned, peaceful, careful, self-important, self-satisfied, tactless/tactful, (im)patient, fussy, witty, reliable, honest, self-confident, cheerful, cheeky, kind, calm, kind-hearted, tolerant, generous, mean, frank/sincere, lazy, lively, bright/clever, careless/careful, touchy, embarrassed, shy, stupid, moody, strict, helpful, hardworking, wise, cruel, narrow-minded, broad-minded, easy-going, sociable, trustful, brave, talkative, nice, pleasant, modest, ambitious, snobbish, proud, greedy, superficial, unstable, quarrelsome, be fond of gossip, never let me down, have sense of humour.