

Grade 9 Life Orientation Worksheet

Family as a social structure

A family is a social structure. Every member of the family has a different role. In the past, those roles were fixed. One example of this is that, in the past, mothers stayed home and looked after the children, while fathers were the breadwinners who worked to support their families. Those roles are changing, however, as families and the times we live in change.

Write a paragraph of about 20 lines in which you describe the role that each member of your family holds. Your teacher will assess your paragraph using the rubric below.

Score	Description
8 - 10	<p>The paragraph starts with a topic sentence.</p> <p>The paragraph deals very well with the topic.</p> <p>The paragraph is logical and coherent.</p> <p>Relevant supporting examples are provided.</p> <p>The paragraph ends with a short conclusion.</p> <p>There are only one or two spelling and grammatical errors.</p>
5 - 7	<p>The paragraph deals reasonably well with the topic.</p> <p>The paragraph is coherent.</p> <p>Some relevant examples are provided.</p> <p>There are fewer than five spelling and grammatical errors.</p>
Less than 5	<p>The student has not dealt adequately with the topic.</p> <p>The paragraph is incoherent.</p> <p>No relevant examples are provided.</p> <p>There are more than five spelling and grammatical errors.</p>

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Suggested Solutions

Question number	Possible marks	Solutions
1	10	See rubric below.

Holistic rubric for assessing paragraph

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