

## Topic YOUTH PROBLEMS

### *Key Words and Useful Expressions*

*What are the teens' problems? What problems do young people face today? How do you feel about teens' problems?*

I find them..., urgent, important, serious, awful, shocking, difficult to solve, interesting to discuss, useless to discuss, family problems, personal problems, school problems, violence, cruelty, drug addiction, drinking problems, poverty, discrimination, loneliness, parents' expectations are too high.

urgent - неотложный;  
important - важный;;  
difficult to solve - трудный для решения;  
family problems - семейные проблемы;  
violence - насилие;  
cruelty - жестокость;  
drug addiction - наркотическая зависимость;  
drinking problems - пристрастие к алкоголю;  
poverty - бедность;  
discrimination - дискриминация;  
loneliness - одиночество;  
parents' expectations are too high - родительские ожидания слишком высоки.

*What do young people worry about?*

In my opinion...; personally, I think that...; if you ask me...

*Who can help?*

Teenagers themselves, parents, adults, school, the Government.

*How to help?*

Teenagers should..., adults should..., think about..., care about..., be free to decide..., forbid... to..., allow... to..., give more rights to..., send... to prison, help to overcome difficulties.

care about... - заботиться о...;  
be free to decide - быть свободными в принятии решений;  
forbid... to... - запрещать кому-то что-то делать;  
allow... to... - разрешать кому-то что-то делать;  
give more rights to... - дать больше прав кому-то;  
help to overcome difficulties - помогать преодолевать трудности.

*What are teens' life ambitions?*

They want to..., enjoy life, be independent, express their individuality, do well at school, earn money, rebel against the society, change the world to the best, be taken seriously, have the right to..., have a chance to... .

enjoy life - наслаждаться жизнью;  
be independent - быть независимыми;  
express their individuality - выражать свою индивидуальность;  
do well at school - хорошо учиться в школе;  
earn money - зарабатывать деньги;  
rebel against the society - выражать протест против общества;  
change the world to the best - изменить мир к лучшему;  
be taken seriously - быть серьезно воспринятым;  
have the right to... - иметь право на;  
have a chance to... - иметь шанс на.

*Why do young people start smoking /drinking /taking drugs?*

...get depressed and upset, ...are treated badly, ...are not taken seriously, ...force ...to, to feel lonely, to escape from one's problems, to be under stress....

get depressed and upset - впадать в депрессию и расстраиваться;  
...are treated badly - с ними плохо обращаются;  
...are not taken seriously - к ним несерьезно относятся;  
...force ...to - насильно заставить кого-то сделать что-то;  
to feel lonely - чувствовать себя одиноким;  
to escape from one's problems - убежать от проблем;  
to be under stress - быть в стрессовой ситуации /испытывать стресс.

*Do you always understand your parents? Do they understand you? What are the reasons for misunderstanding?*

Misunderstanding.

Misunderstanding - непонимание.

*Do you think that friction between young people and their parents is inevitable? Why?*

Friction, inevitable.

Friction - трение (здесь: в человеческих отношениях);  
inevitable - неизбежный.

*What are the reasons for conflict and friction?*

Generation gap.

Generation gap - проблема "отцов и детей".