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## 2 SPEAKING

a Work in small groups. Answer the questions.

- Do you have many old family photos? Are any of them framed or displayed? What's the oldest family photo that you've seen?
- Who is your oldest living relative? How much contact do you have with him / her?
- Who are you closest to in your family? Why do you get on well? Is there anyone you don't get on with?
- Who are you most like in your family? Are there any family traits (appearance or personality) that members of your family share?

b You're going to discuss the statements below. First, decide individually what you think about each one. Think of reasons and examples to support your opinion.

**Parents should never try to be their children's friends.**

**People who are very dedicated to their work rarely manage to have a happy family life.**

**When children are young, it's better for one parent not to work and to look after them.**

**The only person who should be allowed to criticize your family is you, not your partner or friends.**

**Marrying very young almost inevitably ends badly.**

**You have to love your family, but you don't have to like them.**

love and hate

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## 3 GRAMMAR have: lexical and grammatical uses

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- Are all the options possible?
- Is there any difference in meaning or register?

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any siblings.

possible but not common

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I've made

long time  
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