

MODEL SENTENCE:

THEY SAY MODERN PARENTING SPOILS CHILDREN BUT MY EXPERIENCE

TELLS ME THAT IT MAKES CHILDREN CONFIDENT

A child's character can be a direct reflection of his or her parents and their way of parenting. For a long time now, the correct way of bringing up children has been discussed seriously. The two most popular child-rearing styles are opposite, so the controversy is bound to rise. These two are known as Modern Parenting and Traditional Parenting.

In our society, the traditional model of parenting is given more weightage, which is handed down through generations and has proved to be harsh and strict. On the other hand, modern parenting offers a free-flowing environment where parents are more relaxed with the handling of their children. In South Asian society, it is assumed that modern parenting can take their children away from their roots and religion. They think that children can choose the wrong path if they're given freedom. Providing them the right of making decisions can make them disobedient. Most of the parents in our society enforce strict rules and guidelines for their children to follow, which they think will keep them on the right track.

Contrary to this, I feel like neglecting modern parenting can have future generations in trouble. Parents should incorporate traditional and modern styles in their parenting to keep their children closer to their roots and to build in them the abilities to work efficiently in an advanced society. In a fast-moving world where times are changing rapidly, children need to have good decision-making skills. In traditional parenting, children are instructed to get home by six without any reason which just makes them obedient to authority. This causes problems for children when they grow up as the only thing they know is to be obedient to authority. Or in some cases, if they're the authority, they only know how to control those with less power. Parents compare their children to others which causes huge issues of self-esteem. In the old

way of parenting, there is a strict environment in the house that takes away from the children their right to expression. As a result of which they can't express their point of view in front of anyone.

A lot of people believe that bringing up their youngsters with the advanced method of child-rearing or making their child familiar with innovation will just make them defiant of their ancestors. Let me bring the example of my parents here. They were migrants from an unprivileged area of India. They brought with them the old conventions but still managed to raise me in such a way that I can stand my stance at any platform firmly. My parents always gave me a free hand to choose what I want and have never rejected any of my choices. That is the sole reason for the confidence and bluntness I have. Thanks to them for acquainting me with every fact, because of which I am very straightforward in my answers. I'll forever be grateful for the honest of advice and the freedom to experience things they have given me. That is why I don't trust anybody's decisions blindly without examining the situation myself and have enough wisdom to make my own. They maintained a happy and stress-free environment in the house which proved to be the best for my mental health. In my case, modern parenting has been a cause of disgrace for neither me nor my family. However, this way of parenting has made me observant and quick-witted enough for the sudden changing times and has kept me closer to what I stand for. I haven't gone into drugs or did anything that would make my parents ashamed of me, instead, I have made them proud by showcasing my talents within the limitations.

Anne Frank says;

“Parents can only give good advice or put children on the right path, but the final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands”

In these unpredicted times when society is rapidly advancing, parents should also be lenient with their children and they should also adopt change for the betterment of their children as they are the ones shaping the society.

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