



## PDN Preguntas DE Textos

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#### TEXT 6

##### Lust for blood: why are teenagers obsessed with vampires?

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Additionally, the vampire's sense of alienation from 'normal' or adult society resonates with many teenagers. This feeling of being an outsider is something they often experience as they navigate the challenges of growing up. Vampires, with their immortality and detachment from conventional human concerns, embody the ultimate rebellion against the constraints of ordinary life. For teenagers grappling with their identities and seeking independence, the vampire's existence, free from societal expectations, is profoundly appealing. The allure of risk and danger that comes with being a vampire or being romantically involved with one also adds to their charm. The notion that vampires have waited more than 100 years for their true love introduces a timeless romantic element that captivates the teenage imagination, providing an escape into a world where love transcends the ordinary bounds of time and mortality.

Furthermore, the portrayal of vampires in modern media often emphasizes their complex, multifaceted personalities, which teenagers find relatable. Vampires are frequently depicted as brooding and introspective, struggling with their nature and the moral implications of their actions. This inner conflict mirrors the teenage experience of trying to understand oneself and one's place in the world. The vampire's duality—being both human and monster—parallels the adolescent struggle with the duality of wanting to fit in while also yearning to stand out. This deep, emotional resonance, combined with the glamorous and thrilling lifestyle of vampires, explains why they continue to be an enduring symbol of teenage fascination.

...one characteristic that makes vampires appealing to teenagers?

##### Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a characteristic that makes vampires appealing to teenagers?

- ☐ A rebellious spirit and freedom from societal constraints.
- ☐ A strong sense of moral responsibility and adherence to social norms.
- ☐ Eternal youth and a sense of immortality.
- ☐ A glamorous and thrilling lifestyle.

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##### According to the text, what is one reason for teenagers' enduring fascination with vampires?

- ☐ Vampires represent the ultimate symbol of power and authority.
- ☐ Vampires embody the ideal of traditional family values and social expectations.
- ☐ Vampires are seen as inherently evil and dangerous, which appeals to teenagers' rebellious nature.
- ☐ Vampires offer a sense of freedom and rebellion against social norms.