## Topic 163

People recognize a difference between children and adults. What events (experiences or ceremonies) make a person an adult? Use specific reasons and examples to explain your answer.

## 1. Brainstorming

college

get a job

gaining independence from parents

- no more financial reliance
- responsibility
- 2. Outlining
- Introduction
- big difference between adults and children
- children become mature by several events
- Opinion: gaining independence from family
- Body
- 1, no more financial reliance
- a lot of expense : insurance, livelihood
- good relationships : need showing off
- 2. should be responsible for his action
- children: not blamed, protection of laws
- adults : mistakes ⇒ pay fees
- 3. live initiatively
- children: advice from parents
- adults : choose by themselves
- Conclusion
- give back love to parents

## 3. Essay Writing

It is a common sense that there are obvious differences between full-grown adults and young children. Maturity, mental and physical abilities, point of view toward the world, and knowledge are some examples of representative shifts taking place when becoming older. In fact, children experience these changes through unforgettable and tremendous events that have immense influences on alteration of their life. As far as I am concerned, leaving the protection of the family can indeed be said a ceremony marking the commencement of the adult period.

To begin with, the offspring no more rely on financial supports from their parents. The world of adults, the society, contain innumerable factors of financial losses. From fundamental livelihood to investments in the real estate, and moreover, insurance systems demand a great deal of expenses. In reality, there is nearly no leftover money after the payments with salary of average middle class people. In addition, they can't always live naively only with plain fashion and public transportation, unless they are so poor that they can't even afford a meal. In order to sustain amicable relationships with friend in society, showing off is considered an integral action. Otherwise, they are usually ignored and ridiculed for having no money by their friends. For instance, a dating culture in my country has long been shifted to preference of lovers with a lot of money. In spite of all of these financial difficulties, a majority of people managed to survive, and that's why they are qualified to be adults.

Second of all, independent people should be responsible for every actions in the community. Before becoming adult, most people were in protection of their parents; they don't get blamed for making mistakes. Even the laws are mostly composed of rules ensuring protection targeting young children. In contrast, the society is merciless and harsh for mature adults. Mistakes that give harm to the others are considered sort of taboos and soon turned over to the court to be judged and give adequate sentences or fees, no matter their scale or reasons. They must remind that there's nobody with access to intervene and alleviate the situation. In order to avoid these catastrophic circumstances, people should feel responsibility on every action and stay more quietly and modestly.

Last but not least, offsprings are mentally mature enough to live initiatively; they no more rely on advice from experienced adults. Throughout the life, people get to confront with situations to make a choice at least once. By choosing one, there may be benefits for themselves, but loss for giving up other choices are also inevitable in any forms. In fact, they could make the wisest

choices with the least loss from the selection during the adolescence, thanks to the intervention and assistances of their parents. Unlike the teenagers, though, adults must endure any loss and failure from making wrong choices.

In conclusion, adults and young children can be differentiated by a standard of financial reliance, responsibility, and mental maturity. I believe that the true filial duty is not only to stop burdening the parents anymore, but also to return all of the love that they've received back to their parents, showing that they have truly become a mature adult.

## 4. Speaking

In my opinion, a standard separating the children and adults is whether the person is independent or not.

First of all, he no more receive financial supports. While most children don't feel serious about this, adults do since they already know that society require a great deal of money for providing welfare.

Second of all, he is responsible for any actions in society. In the past, when he was young, he didn't get blamed for making mistakes. The protective laws for children also existed. In contrast, even small mistakes can make him pay fee when being an adult.