

# Life stages

adult (n)	child (n)	leave home (phr)
aged (adj)	death (n)	look after (phr v)
baby (n)	generation (n)	retire (v)
birth (n)	grow up (phr v)	teenage (adj)
born (v)	kid (n)	teenager (n)

**A Complete the texts using words and phrases from the boxes.**

a child   an adult   baby   birth   born   grow up   teenage   teenager

<p>For most people, the <sup>1</sup> _____ of <sup>2</sup> _____ is a time for celebration. Some cultures have special traditions, such as cutting the hair of a <sup>3</sup> _____ soon after it's <sup>4</sup> _____.</p>	<p>As children <sup>5</sup> _____, they have a lot to learn. The <sup>6</sup> _____ years, in particular, are a time of big changes. Being a <sup>7</sup> _____ can be a confusing time. You're no longer a child, but you aren't quite <sup>8</sup> _____ either.</p>
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aged   deaths   generations   have kids   leave home   look after   retired

<p>Most people <sup>9</sup> _____ in their late teens or 20s. They start a career, get married and <sup>10</sup> _____ of their own. In some countries though, it's common for married couples to live with their parents. With several <sup>11</sup> _____ of a family in the same house, grandparents can <sup>12</sup> _____ the children while the parents are at work.</p>	<p>Around the world, the number of older people is increasing. Because of better healthcare, there are fewer <sup>13</sup> _____ from common diseases. In the past, after people <sup>14</sup> _____, they would only live for a few years. Nowadays, people are living longer, with many more old people <sup>15</sup> _____ over 100.</p>
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**aged between 16 and 20:** *The boys were **aged between twelve and 19**.*  
**aged from 16 to 20:** *There are ten women in the group **aged from 30 to 67**.*  
**aged over/under 18:** *Entrance is free for children **aged under five**.*

**B Choose the best words to complete the sentences.**

- The photo shows three *ages / generations* of my family: me, my mother and my grandmother.
- My little brother was *birth / born* when I was seven years old.
- Charlie *left / went out of* home when he was 18 to study at university in Australia.
- Tickets are €14 for *adults / teenagers* and €11 for children *aged less / under* 18.
- I was very sorry to hear about the *dead / death* of your grandfather.
- You need to give your name, address and date of *birth / born*.
- Ethan *grew up / grew* in a small town in Canada.
- Did you hear that Rebecca's just had a *baby / kid*? A little boy called Leo.
- We used to play football together when we were *kids / teenage*.
- The film is the story of a *teenage / teenager* girl who wins an Olympic medal.

**C Rewrite the underlined parts of the sentences using the words in brackets. Make any other changes necessary.**

- Dave started painting as a hobby after he stopped working. (retire) \_\_\_\_\_
- My neighbour takes care of the baby while I go out shopping. (look after) \_\_\_\_\_
- My sister gave birth last year. (baby) \_\_\_\_\_
- People older than 50 should have regular health checks. (aged) \_\_\_\_\_
- My grandparents had six sons and daughters. (child) \_\_\_\_\_
- The painter Van Gogh only really became famous after he died. (death) \_\_\_\_\_