

JHS ONE

Family Systems

The Two Main Family Systems

- Nuclear Family System: It consists of father, mother and children.
- Extended Family System: It consists of the nuclear family members and other relations. e.g. uncles, aunties, cousins, grandparents, etc

Merits And Demerits Of The Family Systems

Nuclear Family

- Merits
 - It is easy to care for the family members.
 - Proper supervision
 - Privacy – i.e. less interference from Extended Family members, etc
- Demerits
 - Lack of support in the absence of parents.
 - Members suffer when the bread winner dies.
 - Inadequate opportunity to socialize and learn from others, etc.

Extended Family

- Merits
 - Opportunity to associate with more people
 - More people to give support economically and morally
 - Create security and protection
- Demerits
 - It encourages laziness, because some people refuse to work or be responsible since there are others who can take up their responsibility or assist them.

- Over reliance on a few people who are working in the family (high dependency ratio)
- Less privacy

Role of the members of the Family

Parents

- Provision of basic necessity e.g. food, shelter, clothing, education

Children

- Performing household chores, run errands, assist to take care of younger siblings, etc.

Grandparents

- Play advisory role to the family, play the role of nannies, help in character training of children etc

Ways of Promoting Good Relationship With Family Members

- Respect
- Obedience
- Support parents
- Grandparents
- House help

EXERCISE

- DISCUSS GOD'S NATURE THROUGH HIS ATTRIBUTES
- STATE THE WAYS WE CAN APPLY GOD'S ATTRIBUTES IN OUR LIFE

