

# IS IT BETTER TO HAVE A BIG OR A SMALL FAMILY?



## Akane, Canada

Is it better to have a big family or a small family? Well, I've always like the idea of having a big family so I think that having a big family is a really good thing. I come from a small family. I only have one brother, so if I could afford it, I think I would really like to have a big family When I get older.

# Jeff, Canada

A big family or a small family? Which is better? I grew up in a big family and it was really good: four brothers and one sister and my parents and a dog, so there were lots of people around and I think a big family is good. You're never lonely and there's always someone to hang around with or play with or do something with and lots of things to share and you learn some good values about sharing and beint patient and, yeah, I think big families are better than small families.

#### Jeyong, Korea

I think it's better to have a big family because for instance, I have a family of six members: my dad, my mom, older sister, younger sister and a younger brother and me, so when we are all together, the six of us, it's very fun talking and eating food. It's interesting how everybody is very different from each other.

### Ruth, England

Big or small? Well, I'm from a small family, which I think is really good because we're really close knit and we get to spend more time together because we are small, but having said that, probably because I am from a small family, I would like to be from a big family, because in a big family, you always have company. You have a wider variety of people to spend time with, and I associate big families with fun and laughter, so I think I would prefer a big family even though I like my small family.

#### Simon, Canada

Yeah, I think to be part of a small family is better. I'm an only child, so I've only known life in a small family. Definitely if you're part of a small family, or you're a child in a small family, you're the number one banana. You're parents do everything for you. They take care of only you, or if you have one other sibling, you know, if you live in a family of eight, you know, love and things like that have to shared more so, that's that.

## **Todd, The United States**

I think for the child it's better to have a big family because then you have more brothers and sisters to do stuff with and you'll have special memories and when you get older you'll be able to look back and think of all the good times you had with your brothers and sisters, but I think for parents, these days it's better to just have a very small family, maybe just one or two children because things are so expensive and it's just really hard to raise a big family these days.