

Discussion Questions

Old Age

Student A

1. What do you think is the best age to be? Why?
2. Should children support their elderly parents?
3. Should people between 60 and 65 be obliged to retire from their jobs to make way for younger workers?
4. Does your culture respect the elderly or do they ignore them and house them somewhere?
5. What do you remember most about your parents or grandparents?
6. Are young people generally more selfish than their parents and grandparents?
7. Do you worry about getting older?
8. Until what age would you like to live?
9. What problems are there with an aging population?
10. Are you able to make friends with people who are much older than you?

Student B

1. Are there any benefits to growing old?
2. How old is old?
3. Does age bring wisdom? Can you give an example?
4. What did your grandparents do when they were your age?
5. Which new invention amazes your grandparents the most?
6. "You are only as old as you feel." Do you agree with that statement?
7. Are there any age groups you currently don't like?
8. What do you think your old age will be like?
9. On average, women live longer than men. It is said that men "age" better than women. Do you agree/disagree?
10. If you see an elderly person on the bus or train, do you offer them your seat?