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1. What are contemporary expectations of adults?

There are many contemporary expectations of adults. Some types of expectations include social expectations, family expectations, and job expectations. Adults are expected to be polite and civil to others, be responsible citizens, and maintain social relationships. Adults in some cultures are also expected to raise a family. Within that expectation there lays other expectations around raising a family. Some of these traditional expectations regard who will provide for the family and who will deal with the children’s mishaps. Adults are also expected to maintain social relationships with others.

1. How do the roles and expectations of adults vary among cultures and through the various stages of adulthood?

The roles and expectations of adults are greatly varied among cultures and through the stages of adulthood. For example, an adult is expected to be more reflective later on in their life. During their late twenties to early thirties a person is expected to transition into a more settled lifestyle. Roles of parents transition from caring for their children at a young age, to teaching them in their older years, to guiding them as teenagers, and then finally transitioning to the role of being a grandparent when their child has children of their own.