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**Level 5 – 8th September, 2019**

## **52% of young adults in US live with parents**

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<https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200908-young-adults-5.html>

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**Please try Levels 4 and 6. They are (a little) harder.**

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# THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200908-young-adults-5.html>

A new study has revealed that most adults under 30 are now living with their parents. The number of 18- to 30-year-olds who live at home has hit an 80-year high. Around 52 per cent of young people are at home with one or both parents. Researchers say that not since 1940 has this figure been as high. In the Great Depression of the 1930s, the percentage was higher. There has been a recent rise in the number of young adults moving back in with their parents. A contributory factor to this is the economic downturn and a rise in unemployment caused by coronavirus.

An analyst said: "You have to take into account two huge factors: massive student loan debt and a lack of available work." He said this situation has been exacerbated by the pandemic. He said: "It may take...the better part of a decade for younger demographics to recover and be financially stable enough to leave home." He concluded: "For the most part, nobody wants to be living at home with mom and dad." Another analyst said the trend could adversely affect the property rental market. She said with young people not moving into cities and renting, there are many empty apartments.

Sources: <https://money.yahoo.com/majority-of-us-adults-under-30-now-living-with-parents-study-finds-143957490.html>  
<https://edition.cnn.com/2020/09/04/us/children-living-with-parents-pandemic-pew/index.html>  
<https://www.forbes.com/sites/carlieporterfield/2020/09/04/more-young-people-living-with-their-parents-than-in-the-great-depression-report-says/>

# PHRASE MATCHING

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## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                                  |                        |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. The number of 18- to 30-year- | a. high                |
| 2. hit an 80-year                | b. downtown            |
| 3. at home with one              | c. factor              |
| 4. not since 1940 has this       | d. olds                |
| 5. adults moving back in         | e. in unemployment     |
| 6. A contributory                | f. figure been as high |
| 7. the economic                  | g. with their parents  |
| 8. a rise                        | h. or both parents     |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. exacerbated by                | a. part             |
| 2. take the better part          | b. apartments       |
| 3. be financially stable enough  | c. of a decade      |
| 4. For the most                  | d. rental market    |
| 5. living at home                | e. and renting      |
| 6. adversely affect the property | f. the pandemic     |
| 7. moving into cities            | g. with mom and dad |
| 8. there are many empty          | h. to leave home    |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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An analyst said: "You have to (7) \_\_\_\_\_ two huge factors: massive student loan debt and a (8) \_\_\_\_\_ work." He said this situation has been exacerbated by the pandemic. He said: "It may take... (8) \_\_\_\_\_ of a decade for younger demographics to recover and be financially (9) \_\_\_\_\_ leave home." He concluded: "For the most part, nobody wants to be living at home with mom and dad." Another analyst said the trend (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the property rental market. She said with young people not moving into cities and renting, there (11) \_\_\_\_\_ apartments.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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# YOUNG ADULTS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200908-young-adults-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about young adults in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

# WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2009/200908-young-adults-5.html>

Write about **young adults** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.

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