

25 things a permanent connection can mean

1. Lifelong relationship
2. Family
3. Friendship
4. Unconditional love
5. Ongoing support
6. Extended family-like relationship
7. Knowing that someone cares
8. Continuity
9. Someone to go home to
10. Sharing life's ups and downs
11. Someone to call on in times of crisis
12. Someone to call 'just because'
13. Being there
14. Defining family together
15. Sharing holidays
16. Celebrating special times together
17. Someone to check-in with regularly
18. Shared history
19. Assistance around major decisions
20. Growing and changing together
21. Being accepted no matter what
22. Someone to trust
23. Having someone to stand by you
24. Knowing someone is proud of your accomplishments
25. Knowing that you are not alone



Top 10 reasons to **adopt a teenager**

1. No diapers to change.
2. They sleep through the night.
3. They will move out sooner—but can still visit.
4. You don't just get a child, you get a friend.
5. They will keep you up to date on the latest fashion.
6. No more carpools—they can drive you places.
7. No bottles, formula, or burp rags required.
8. They can help around the house.
9. They can learn from you.
10. They can teach you how to operate your computer!