

Roles Within a Family

Chapter 9: Family and Community · Topic 1

Key Concept

Traditionally, roles were often divided by gender, but modern families increasingly share responsibilities like earning income, household chores, and childcare more equally.

Children in a family also have roles, like helping with age-appropriate chores, respecting elders, and supporting siblings when needed.

Family roles can change due to circumstances, like a parent's job loss requiring role adjustments, or children growing older and taking on more responsibility.

Understanding and respecting each family member's role, while being willing to adapt when needed, helps build a supportive and harmonious family environment.

Quick Revision Notes

- Family members take on different roles.
- Traditional roles were often divided by gender.
- Modern families increasingly share responsibilities.
- Children have roles like chores and supporting siblings.
- Family roles can change due to circumstances.
- A parent's job loss might require role adjustments.
- Respecting each other's roles builds harmony.
- Adapting roles when needed supports the family.

Practice Questions

- 1 List the roles of different members in your family.
- 2 Discuss how family roles have changed over generations.
- 3 Explain one way you contribute to your family.
- 4 Discuss why sharing responsibilities can be beneficial.
- 5 Talk about a time your family's roles adapted to a situation.
- 6 Suggest one way roles could be shared more equally at home.