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SOURCE 1**Living under the same roof**

A news report has stated that more than 51 million Americans now live in extended families. This means three or more generations living together. This number, up from approximately 46 million in 2007, is the largest increase in extended families in modern American history. According to a research report, the main reason for this trend is unemployment. Other reasons include young people living at home as they cannot afford a house, and elderly relatives that need caring for.

Adapted from a magazine article about family life published in the United States in 2015

SOURCE 2**The advantages and disadvantages of living in an extended family**

Advantages	 <p data-bbox="555 1070 995 1171">An extended family with the following members: grandmother, mother, father and children.</p>	Disadvantages
Increased emotional support		Lack of privacy
Helps prevent elderly people from living in poverty		Higher costs
Always someone to talk to		Risk of conflict
Grandparents can look after the children		Lack of space
Both parents can work		Elderly people may need care

SOURCE 3**Local newspaper article**

Care facilities for the elderly in our community are good but there is still room for improvement

The elderly of our community report that they are well-looked-after. They say that the nurses are kind and caring and the food is healthy. However, some elderly people say that they would like more activities to be provided.

SOURCE 4**Nathalia's letter to Meena, a friend**

Dear Meena,

My grandfather died last year and my gran (grandmother) is having difficulty living on her own. Since then she hasn't been able to look after herself. She burnt herself whilst cooking a meal the other day. Mum says she would feel happier if gran came to live with us. Whilst I love my gran, I don't like the idea of her living with us. For a start, she would have my bedroom because it's on the ground floor and she can't get upstairs. That means I would have to share with my sister. This isn't fair, is it? I think my gran would be happier in an old people's home where they have the time and skilled staff to look after her. After all, she has paid taxes all her life. It seems only right that she should now benefit in some way from all the money she and my grandfather paid in when they were both working. Don't you agree?

(Nathalia, aged 16)

Meena's response

Your gran is very lucky to have your mum worrying about her, Nathalia. Some families have no contact with elderly relatives and would never consider taking care of them. It might depend on whether your gran wants to come and live with you as she probably has friends in her community, especially if she has lived there for a long time. If so, she might prefer an old people's home near to where she lives. If your mum is prepared to make a few small sacrifices to help out, then she should be congratulated for doing the right thing. In my opinion, an old people's home is never able to care for an elderly person as well as the family can. After all, your gran did look after your mum when she was young, so perhaps your mum feels it's her turn. In some countries it's just accepted that the elderly are looked after in the family. In the end, I think it should be your gran's decision.

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