

LESSON No. 2



MY EXTENDED FAMILY

Are there things you learn from your family members?

Home is the first school of life. You can learn many things from the other members of your family.

Love, cooperation, discipline, commitment and sacrifice are important values for a society. Children are exposed to these values for the first time in their families. They learn these from family members.

Name five things you learn from your family members. Who are the family members?

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Do all your family members live with you all the time?

All family members do not stay together. Your father's brothers and sisters move away from your house after their marriage. Some have to stay in other places on account of the work they do. Then, there are also relatives who are not family members. You have learnt about your mothers relatives who continue to live in her maternal house. These are your extended family members.

Let us hear Alena's story.

“Five years ago my father was transferred to Kamjong. That is a beautiful hilly place. My family had to shift to the new place. I did not want to leave the original place where we lived because I'll be missing my school, my friends and other family members. However, after shifting to the new place, within a few months of staying there, I began to like the new school and made new friends. I was happy once again.

Many times during the holidays my uncles, aunts and cousins came to visit our new home. We also visited them during our vacations. All of us together performed family celebrations like birthdays and other festivals. I enjoyed going for *NingolChakouba* the most with my mother to her maternal family.”

After hearing Alena's story we understand that most families keep in touch with each other although they live far away from one another. This is in order to maintain a strong bond of relationship, love and cooperation.



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- * Do you have any family member who do not stay with you? Name them. Where do they live?

- * Tell us when do you meet members of your family who do not live with you?

- * Name any four festivals you celebrate together with them? Complete the table.

Name of the festival	Month	Anything you remember
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