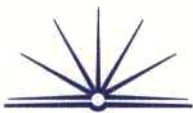


Question 17.

(a) children have the right to not be sexually and physically abused by parents, relatives or friends.

There is the right for them to be placed into another foster home until the situation is sought out. This can extremely effect the way a child views themselves, behaves and continues to grow up. They could lack confidence, self-esteem and feel confused or depressed.

A child has the right to adequate food, housing, and ~~the~~ clothing. They are not receiving the essentials in life, due to parents not providing or simply looking after them, then they too can be placed into foster homes. They need proper housing, diet and love. otherwise they can become sick and feel unwanted and loved.



(b) The Carers Association has a great impact upon carers. They offer counselling, support, time to relax and unwind. Caring for a person is a demanding situation and can often make a person burn out. The association ensures that you are taking the time to look after yourself. You need time to exercise, shop, have personal quality time, that social contacts are not lost. Therefore respite carers are able to help you while you take some time off; even if for a whole day. This can become a regular service for once a week. There are respite car for in-home, hostels and nursing homes.

The multibirth Association is available to those parents that have twins, triplets and other multiple births. They are there to give and offer information, encourage parents and be supportive. This can be an extremely stressful time for those that don't know how they can cope with multiple babies at one time.



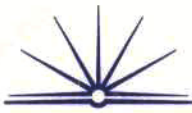
(c) Adoption is a social parenting that many couples choose to do. Either they cannot have children themselves and they wish not to have artificial inseminations. They have have tried artificial fertilisation and it didn't work, or already have a child and simply wish to adopt to help save a child.

This is a decision that has to be thought over carefully with both parents willing to adopt.

A responsibility that means with any parent, sacrificing time and energy, placing the child as first priority, showing complete love and still ~~having~~ having the time for each other.

You need to consider before adopting a child, whether you are in a financial position to provide for another person, whether this child will be treated any different if already have children - which shouldn't. Will you be able to have support from family and friends - what age and gender who you like if the choice is available.

If there are already other children it is going to take an entire family adjustment with an



adoption. Depending on the age of child, try to make them feel apart of the family. make sure that the other children feel ok and not left out. Important for everyone to understand that making the child feel apart of the family. That everyone has the chance to communicate if any problems arise. Family outings are a good idea to make sure everyone will get along. Everyone needs to be shown the equal amount of love, compassion, punishment as in discipline and encouragement. There needs to be an agreement which the parents that they will eventually tell the child that they were adopted if too young to know. The chance to maybe have some kind of contact or knowledge of biological parent/s if all is willing. This does depend on all parties.

Therefore, social parenting can take time for every member of the family to adapt to. Important that parents understand what parenting involves and if willing to undertake it.