

# How Do Families Change over Time?



Families change over time. You can see this when everyone gets together. An uncle may have less hair and look older. A cousin may be married. An aunt may have a new baby. How has your family changed over time?

## **Social Studies Words**

**change**

**grow**

**move**



History



## 1. Families Change over Time

When your grandmother was a girl, things were different. Her clothes were not like yours. Her toys were different. Her school was different. Over time, things **change**, or become different. Time causes families to change. Can you think of one way your family has changed?







## 2. Family Members Grow Older

Families change as the members **grow** older. Children grow taller and bigger. Grown-ups may get gray hair.

When children get older, they have different chores. They can do more things, too. A girl may help her younger sister with homework. What can you do now that you are older?



### 3. Families Grow Bigger

Families grow in different ways. A new baby is born. An older sister gets married. Parents adopt a child. Two separate families blend together.

In what ways has your family grown bigger? How many people are in your family now?







#### 4. Families Move

Families **move** to new places. They may need a bigger or a smaller home.

Some families move to new towns. They may move to be near family. Or a parent may have a new job. Where has your family moved?

#### Lesson Summary

A family today is different than it was years ago. People grow older. Families change in size and move. These are some ways that families change over time.