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Y4: Families	Learning objective:	Key vocabulary:	
L2 - What do family	 Identify how families meet our needs. 	Responsibility, role, needs, security, basic, habit	
members do for each		Key virtues:	
other?		Respect, compassion, gratitude	
Resources:	Statutory links:		
	Relationships Education (2020)		
PowerPoint	Pupils should know:		
	 That families are important for children growing up because they can give love, security and stability. The characteristics of healthy family life, commitment to each other, including in times of difficulty, protection and care 		
	for children and other family members, the importance of spending time together and sharing each other's lives.		
	- That others' families, either in school or in the wider world, sometimes look different from their family, but that they		
	should respect those differences and know that other children's families are also characterised by love and care for		
	them.		
Key questions:	Learning activities:		
What do humans need?	Starter: Needs versus wants		
What does responsibility	What do human beings need (to survive)?		
mean?			
	Clarify, if necessary, the difference between need and would like. Create a class brainstorm.		
low do our families			
meet our basic needs?	Can some of the ideas be put into groups?		
What are the different	Activity 1: Meeting our needs		
roles or jobs in your			
family?	Look at Maslow's hierarchy of needs in the PowerPoint. Explain that a famous psychologist, Abraham Maslow, argued that our basic needs are at the bottom and we have to make sure that we have these before moving onto the next level. Go		
Are the jobs in your	through each of the levels.	ve these before moving onto the next level. Go	
family divided fairly?			
Why?	Our families have a responsibility to help us meet these needs.		
What role or jobs do you have?	What does responsibility mean? How do our families meet these needs?		
	Children could write down the different ways that their family meet their n	needs.	



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What do you do to help your family work well	Activity 2: Family roles When families are working well together, everyone has a role to play.		
together?	When families are working well together, everyone has a fole to play.		
What one new habit could you start to help	What are the different jobs or roles in your family?What do you think your role is?		
your family?	- What do you do to help your family to be a caring, happy place?		
	Ask children to write down a couple of things that they do in their families.		
	Plenary: Good habits		
	Helping out is a habit. What one new habit could you start to help your family?		

