

## **GENERATION GAP**

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Let's look at the exact definition of this word; it refers to the difference of attitudes between people of different generations, often leading to a lack of understanding.

This term is often used by parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts (especially aunts) in matters of convenience to win arguments or to prove a point. This term has almost become a justification for the behaviour of teenagers who in turn roll their eyes and don't know what to say. Well, I'll admit, I am one of them.

But if I truly look into the minds of my relatives and those judgy aunts, I do get where they are coming from. They are afraid of change or the idea of change, the fact that their cultures, norms, values, superstitions have been exploited and replaced with a set of new and rebellious ideas.

We as teenagers tend to overlook their feelings and make it a habit to come up with witty answers or to simply mock them.

I am however willing to re-consider rebelliousness. Come to think of it, all those that are today considered 'successful' have been rebellious. If they hadn't questioned the regular methods and procedures, how would they have stood out from the pack? I guess, just like evolution, change can be sudden or gradual. But take it from a teenager -- change is required – as in our bodies, also in our minds. Without change, we would have had to live a boring and probably mundane life where new inventions and ideas were frowned upon.