Families and committed relationships



This topic explores the importance and diversity of families, and the characteristics of healthy, positive family relationships. It enables pupils to recognise when they may feel unsafe within a family, and how to ask for help if they need it. It identifies the characteristics of a committed relationship, and at Year 6 explores human reproduction and other ways that people can start a family.

Year group		Video	Vocabulary	Lessons
Y1	The importance of family	My family	family, important, differences, similarities, happy, special, superhero	 My family Our families Superhero families!
Y2	The diversity of families	Different families	family, family tree, relatives, related, love, sharing, listening, support, similar, different, traditions	 Who is in a family? A happy family Families of all kinds
Y3	Different types of committed relationships	Belonging together	commitment, safe, secure, trust, relationship, marriage, change, affect, loss, separation, divorce	 Commitment and marriage All change! Family changes: when parents separate
Y4	Families and other relationships	Spoiling the fun?	relationships, appropriate, behaviour, belonging, membership, together, family	 Different relationships: boundaries and behaviour Belonging Caring families
Y5	Healthy, committed relationships	What is love?	relationships, healthy, diversity, commitment	 Values of healthy relationships Diversity in relationships It's all about commitment
Y6	Starting a family (sex education)	Starting a family	sexual intercourse, sex, fertilise, conception, foetus, sperm, egg, pregnant, IVF, adoption, Caesarean section, babies, commitment, responsibility, law, legal, age restriction, age of consent, safe	 Starting a family The impact of having a baby When is it right?