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Speaker 1

When it's not just.

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Speaker 2

Me, no matter. La la la la. Even though de una familia de cuatro mis padres on Bernadette Maria Ella Garcia, Lina Corazon. La castellana. We all team internet on familia, numero uno and El mundo.

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Speaker 1

Hi, my name is Anna.

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Speaker 2

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Speaker 1

I come from a family of four. My parents name is Bernabe and Maria Ayala and I have a younger sister whose name is Evangelina, who is the other half of my heart. My parents, as young, always taught me that families are number one priority in today's society. Family being number one priority. I grew up in a close family.

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Speaker 1

They called us the Mexican Brady Bunch. At first I took that as an offense, but now I take it as pride because everywhere I go, I have to bring along mommy. And if mommy doesn't go now, she doesn't go either. I don't take it as my parents are trying to. I don't take it as my parents trying to not let me have fun and not let me enjoy life as I can.

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Speaker 1

I take it as my parents want me to strive for the better, and my parents want me to when I become a mom, to also to also include those values on upon my children. And I thank my parents for that. So I still keep on going.

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And be ready.

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Speaker 1

Okay. Do I also turn?

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Speaker 1

Up.

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Speaker 4

I guess I didn't stay. Okay.

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Speaker 1

Good afternoon. I mean, good evening. Esteemed guests. Honorable judges. There's a saying adults say to kids. When you get older, you'll understand a phrase that was said to me often as a child. When I was young, I thought I knew everything, like most teenagers do now. However, now, however, now, I realized I did not know a thing. Most kids now feel the same way I did.

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Speaker 1

And because society doesn't accept them quite as adults, they try to grow up faster just to be accepted as equals, not as a voice that cannot be heard. It is evident that kids need to feel needed for what, however. Most parents are too busy trying to take care of their own needs and disregard those with their kids. Causing children to find other methods of proving their importance in today's.

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Speaker 4

Society with drugs, sex and violence. Since most kids want to get in the crowd, they do this. They do the things that cool people do, the things that make you popular. And I just want to.

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Speaker 1

And desire most of all needed. Some of these trends are.

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Speaker 4

Drugs, sex and violence. Most of these habits are influenced by older siblings, friends, and sometimes parents. One influence most common.

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Speaker 1

The most common drug found and found in school today.

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Speaker 4

Are alcohol and cocaine, and we, the students who do drugs are often peer pressured into it, most of them by their friends. Some kids see their older brothers and sisters drink or do drugs, and they think it is okay to do them. The rest of the students who do drugs, they follow the example of their own parents. Scary enough, often when drugs are around, sex is involved and being a of high school students.

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Speaker 4

Sex is the hottest issue on campus. Every corner you turn to school, there are a group of kids talking about who they did and who they would like to do. Most students met mentality in high school and even in junior high. Feel that if everyone's doing it, then it must be cool. Little do kids know the risks involved in being sexually active.

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Speaker 4

For instance, teenage pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases at age. A large number of girls also feel that by having sex with their boyfriends, if they will stay with them. Another most common problem on my team is juvenile crime. The crime rate amongst kids between the ages of 12-17 year olds has quadrupled in the past ten years. The reason being is due to the fact that kids can easily get a hold of gun.

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Speaker 4

Some students want me to carry a gun or have seen again, school campus. Unfortunately, some deaths have occurred in school due to.

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Speaker 1

Most of them, most of all of them had a gun. So what to do with these kids today? For starters.

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Speaker 4

Let's organize more programs to get these kids off the street. In the programs, we should have more positive role models for the more parents to educate to their kids. Talk to their kids. And most of all, be their friend. I may not know everything yet, but I do understand that.

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Speaker 4

This.

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Speaker 1

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen, our fair queen. Honorable judges. There's a saying that they say to kids. You'll understand when you get older. It was a saying that was said often to me when I was a child. When I was young, I thought I knew everything. But now that I'm older, I've only realized that I do not know a thing.

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Speaker 1

Most kids now feel the same way I did. And because society doesn't accept them quite as adults yet they try to grow faster just to be accepted. Those at fault are the parents who are busy, or who are too busy to learn their kids and find out what it is that they really need and want. It is evident that kids need a lot of attention.

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Speaker 1

Of care and attention. If the parents don't give it to them, then they'll find other methods to find that care and attention.

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Speaker 1

Those kids who are neglected often turn to drugs, sex, and crime. They figure everyone else is doing it. It must be cool. Most of these trends are influenced by others for example, kids, older siblings, close friends, boyfriends, girlfriends, and sometimes even their own parents. One habit most common among teens is drugs. One drug most used is alcohol. Almost every student in high school and even junior high have gotten drunk, to the point of no recollection of what happened the night before.

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Speaker 1

Most parents are puzzled to know how kids get Ahold of liquor. The answer with the answer is with the little extra money you can get practically anyone over the age of 21 to get the liquor for you. Hence, you have minors driving under the influence, becoming alcoholics at such a young age, and even dying. Most violent crimes arise from drug addiction.

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Speaker 1

And it's not only alcohol, but cocaine, marijuana, crank speed, and the list goes on. A large amount of teenagers steal or sell illegal products and even commit murder. In the past ten years, crime once teens between the ages of 12 to 17 have quadrupled. Juvenile halls are starting to get crowded to the point where we don't know where to put them.

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Speaker 1

Work has become so violent. The most popular answer is drugs. But shocking evidence proves proves to be the easy access for a gun. Two out of every ten kids I own or have seen a gun at school. Sadly enough, some students were killed by a gun. Most happened during school hours on campus, as if drugs and violence weren't enough.

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Speaker 1

Other. Another problem right and wrong among kids is sex. Every corner you turn in school campus, you hear almost everyone talking about it, whether it be jokingly, truthfully, or retelling a story that they heard some adult say. Almost every student is sexually active or will be sexually active before the day they turn the age of 20. Most teens are quite embarrassed to talk to adults about sex, let alone buy condoms or seek help of Planned Parenthood.

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Speaker 1

They feel it because they love each other, that this will free them from all, from all harm. Unfortunately, most of those kids and are pregnant have a sexually transmitted disease. Some even have full blown Aids. So are these kids trying to grow up too fast? They are. And as time goes on, the younger and younger kids seeking a way to be cool.

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Speaker 1

What to do? Parents pay attention to your kids and find out what they want in life. If it's not you, then it will be someone else. Don't shine your kids away from you by telling them they're too young to

understand. But make them understand now. So in the future, they'll be a success instead of a statistic. Thank you very much and good night.

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Speaker 1

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen, honorable judges and your Majesty. There's a saying that is often said to young, young, young teenagers. When you get older, you'll understand. It was a saying that was said often to me as a child. When I was younger, I thought I knew everything. But now that I'm older, I've only realized that I haven't learned a thing.

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Speaker 1

I don't know a thing. And now most, most kids feel the way I did when I was younger.

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Speaker 1

Why? Okay. Because society hasn't accepted them quite as adult yet.

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Speaker 1

And. Oh, yeah. Because society hasn't accepted them as adults yet. They try to grow faster. Why am I forgetting this? Yeah. What's that for? Are the parents who don't take the time to ask their kids what they need and want? It is evident that kids need a lot of attention today. And if parents don't give it to them, they'll find somebody else to fill in that hole.

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Speaker 1

Those kids who are neglected often turn to drugs and crime. They figure if everyone else is doing it, it must be cool. Most of these trends are influenced by others by the kids, older siblings, by boyfriends and girlfriends, other friends, and sometimes even their own parents. When one trend often oh, one trend often commonly used is drugs and one drug often used is alcohol.

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Speaker 1

Every student and almost every student in a high school, even junior high, have gotten drunk to the point of no recollection of what happened that night. Parents are puzzled to know how kids get a hold of liquor. The answer is, with a little extra money, they can practically get anyone over the age of 21 to buy the liquor for them.

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Speaker 1

Hence, you have young adults driving under the influence and driving under the influence, becoming alcoholics at such a young age and even dying. Most violent crime. Most violent crimes arise from drug addiction. It is not only alcohol, but crank speed. Marijuana and the list goes on. Most almost all know a large amount of teenagers steal, sell illegal products, or even commit murder on.

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Speaker 1

In the past ten years. Crime has quadrupled between the teenagers of 12 and 18 years of age. Juvenile halls are starting to get crowded to the point where we don't know where to put them anymore. Why are kids becoming so violent? The most popular answer is drugs. But shocking evidence proves that practically anyone can grab a kid and grab a hold of a gun.

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Speaker 1

Today. Two out of every ten kids owns or has seen a gun at school. Sadly enough, some students who were killed by gun most happen during school hours on campus.

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Speaker 1

So are these kids trying to grow up too fast? Yes they are. And as time goes on, the younger and younger our kids are getting growing up faster. Our kids are seeking a way to be cool. What to do? Parents. Pay attention to your kids. Taste that time out for your children. Oh, let's find out what it is they want in life.

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Speaker 1

And if not, you will find out what they want in life. If it's not you who do that, then I'll be someone else. Don't send your kids away from you by telling they're too young to understand. But make them understand. So in the future, they'll be a success instead of a statistic. Thank you very much. And good night.

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Speaker 1

Gentlemen, honorable judges and Your Majesty. Why do I think the most important people in my life are my family? I am lucky enough to have my. My birth, my parents. As a child. And now I feel even more lucky to have both my parents here with me as a growing adult. They taught me the three important rules of life.

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Speaker 1

One of them which is to love God, love my family, and most of all love myself as well as others.

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Speaker 1

So, beloved mother, father, I dedicate this speech to you and I want everyone here in this audience to know the positive impact that you've had in my life. Mom and dad. You have healed my cuts and bruises as a child to healing my heart, to healing my soul from a broken heart. You have. You have praised me in my in my academic excellence and scolded me when I didn't achieve my scholastic aptitude.

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Speaker 1

You have given me the wings and taught me how to fly. Because of you, I never saw myself short in life and kept me going when times were promising. Mama, Papa.

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Speaker 2

I'm going a real connection for me. Yes, please. Adios. This much? As much as you know stone ton.

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Speaker 1

Just no sun.

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Speaker 2

Nothin. All ustedes, son. Los padres.

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Speaker 2

Brother. And that ustedes lo them as well as padres y por Los quiero mucho y Los. Yeah, when we got us on the temple.

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Speaker 1

Mom and dad, I love you. And thank you for seeing me through everything. And to everyone else, I want to let you know that having a family is important thing in life. And not only not only a family is a mother and father and two kids, or three kids or four kids, but a mother and father also has to love, has to support, and has to be there for the children no matter what obstacle they've gone through in their life.

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Speaker 1

And if you ask me if it works, I say it does. Because I stand here today and trying to be trying to become a positive role model for every other young lady who wants to be, who wants to be a success instead of a statistic. Thank you and good night.

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Speaker 4

And held performances for Bay area children at that school. She has been a member of the Service Club, Students Against Drunk Driving, and the International Club, but more importantly, has been an active member of her own community by volunteering for various.

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Speaker 1

Organizations since the age of 14. In her spare time, Claire keeps busy dancing ballet, tap, and jazz. She has even traveled as far as Scotland.