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Appreciate Your Parents

1. Sing-Along and Read-Along with Me

When you are in danger,
who will **rescue** you?
Your **parents** love you so much.
They would **risk** their lives.

When you finally succeed,
who will be there?
They will be **proud** of you.
They will not be jealous.

Chorus:

You should feel lucky.
You are loved.
You have such parents to
live with you and help you.



When you are down and out,
who will love you always?
Your parents will love you
no matter what happens.

(Chorus)

When you feel all alone,
who will talk to you?
Your parents will be there,
they will be your best friends!

(Chorus)

2. Vocabulary

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Definition

1.	Parents (pl.)	A father and/or mother
2.	Danger	The possibility of suffering harm, damage, or injury
3.	Rescue	To save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
4.	Risk	To bring upon the chance of unfortunate consequences by doing something; exposing someone or something to danger or harm
5.	Succeed	To achieve a desired result or one's aims and goals
6.	Jealous	Feeling or showing envy of someone or what they have, own, or achieved
7.	Proud	Feeling profound pleasure or satisfaction as a result of one's achievements or qualities or those of someone with whom one is personally associated
8.	Lucky	Having or bringing positive fortune
9.	Alone	Lonely and isolated; having no one else present or around

3. Grammar Section

A. Empty Words and/or Phrases

Empty words or phrases are when unnecessary words or phrases are added to sentences or written pieces. They may take up space but make the pace of the words take longer, thus it just looks wordy and uninteresting. For example:

- In my opinion, animal abuse has not decreased or even hampered and needs to be stopped by anyone or everyone.

OR

- Animal abuse has not decreased or even hampered and needs to be stopped.

Some phrases can even be substituted for a single word. For example:

Phrase	Substitute
At all times	Always
At this point in time	Now
For the purpose of	For
In order to	To
Until such time as	Until
Due to the fact that	Because
Despite the fact that	Although
In the event that	If
By means of	By

4. Story/Conversation

Conversation

Tammy: I am so mad right now, I can't believe it!

Sandy: What's wrong, Tammy?

Tammy: My mom just yelled at me and told me that I couldn't go to the party tomorrow night!

Sandy: Oh, you have to consider though, Tammy. It is a school night and that party is in a very dangerous part of town. Don't you think it's kind of a **risk** going over there yourself?

Tammy: Well, I would go with my friends, I wouldn't go **alone**! I don't understand parents.

Sandy: Your **parents** just want to protect you from **danger** and you really should feel **lucky** that they care enough about you to ground you. It may be difficult to see things from their perspective now, but many kids don't even have someone there to care for them.

Tammy: I guess you're right. Sometimes I get **jealous** when I see the kids who can do anything and go anywhere, but then again, they are failing so many of their classes and had to be held back a year. I don't want that. I want to **succeed** in school.

Sandy: Then try and listen to your parents because they only want what's best for you!

Tammy: I will try. Thanks Sandy.

5. Exercise

1. Wordy?

Can you tell us if the below sentences are wordy or not? Circle the correct answer below each statement. If you need help, refer back to the grammar section or ask a teacher for more help.

1. Please keep your hands and arms inside the vehicle, at all times.

Wordy Fine

2. At the present time we have no further information to give to the public.

Wordy Fine

3. Now we must hurry.

Wordy Fine

4. Until such time as I give you new directions, you are to stay here.

Wordy Fine

5. In order to get everything done on time, I have to leave early.

Wordy Fine

6. By means of automotive transportation, we will arrive at the house.

Wordy Fine

7. Despite the fact that it was already late outside, we went swimming.

Wordy Fine

8. In the event that an earthquake happens please do as practiced in the earthquake drill.

Wordy Fine

2. Rewrite

Rewrite these wordy sentences to something that has a quicker pace.

1. In other words, I need your help.

2. Due to the fact that I work, I will not be able to attend the party.

3. Despite the fact that it was an old beat up book, it was still a good read.

4. I must remember at all times to keep my purse with me.

5. In order to proceed with the engagement, I need to buy a ring.

6. I will not, at the present time, be attending college.

7. In today's society, there is a code of manners one must obey.

3. Make Your Own Sentences!

Use the vocabulary words below to make your own sentences. Please be creative and have fun!

1. Parents
2. Danger
3. Rescue
4. Risk
5. Succeed
6. Jealous
7. Proud
8. Lucky
9. Alone

