Parents Just Don't Understand
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Parents think they have it so hard and kids have it so easy. Parents think they do all of the work and kids have all of the fun. I am here to say that is false, false, false! Kids are the ones who have it rough. Parents can make the rules, schedule when kids have fun, and argue with kids about the things they like.

The first thing kids and parents disagree on is that parents give kids too many rules. One rule that parents make is how much screen time kids can have (you know, tv and iPad time). Parents also make rules about when kids can eat sweets and how much of it they can eat. Parents also tell kids when to go to bed, even if the kids aren't sleepy. These rules are too much and they give me a headache!

Another thing that kids and parents can all disagree on is when and how to have fun. Parents tell kids that they have to do chores and homework before they can have fun (I have to clean the litter box every day. Yuck!). Parents also don't give kids enough time to have fun and we have to clean up what we use after we do something fun. Why are parents always so serious?

Another battle between parents and kids is over what kids like. Parents don't seem to understand and life the tv shows, movies, video games, and music that kids like. Parents complain that many of these things that kids like are too loud, too mature, or the parents just don't like it. Parents don't seem to agree with kids about anything.

So, you see? Parents really don't understand kids. It's like parents forgot what it's like to be a kid. Parents always work, cook, clean, and take care of the kids. Parents never have time to play, sleep in, and eat junk food. Parents can be too serious. I think it's time that kids teach their parents how to have fun again.