

# TEENAGERS' PROBLEMS



CODE 244

Fertigkeit	Lesen
Relevante(r) Deskriptor(en)	<b>Deskriptor 1:</b> Kann kurze, einfache persönliche Briefe, Karten oder E-Mails verstehen. (A2)
Themenbereich(e)	Einstellungen und Werte Kindheit und Erwachsenwerden
Zeitbedarf	10 Minuten
Länge des Lesetextes	480 Wörter
Material- und Medienbedarf	Schreibmaterial
Besondere Bemerkungen, Hinweise zur Durchführung	---
Quelle	---



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Read the following four problem letters and the answers.  
Match letter and correct answer and fill the numbers in the grid.

**Be careful – one answer letter does NOT fit!**

### Problem letters:

#### A

I am so much in love with my boyfriend, but he always hurts my feelings. We arrange a date, but then he makes other plans and doesn't even let me know. It is so frustrating when I sit at home waiting for his phone call. I don't know what to do.

#### B

I've been going steady with this girl for four months. She's on a school trip with her class, and last night when I visited her mum I found letters to her ex-boyfriend in her room. I was shocked. She is still sending him notes signed "love you". She also met him at a party and lied to me about where she had been. Should I still trust her?

#### C

My mum is always in my room looking through my personal things. Once I was writing an e-mail to a girl in my class and then went into a different room for a minute. When I came back to the computer my mum was reading my message. How can I tell her to stop doing that?

#### D

My dad is so strict about boys! He says that thirteen is not old enough to date boys at the weekend. It is no problem for all of my friends to go out with the opposite sex. What can I do so that he allows me to have the same rights as all my girlfriends?



## Answer letters:

**1**

Children often feel that their parents act unfairly. Maybe your dad is slowly realizing that his little girl is not so little anymore. For a father this is not always easy to accept. Show your dad that he can trust you. Then sit down and talk to him. Explain why this is important for you.

**2**

Be honest, tell her that you are old enough to have some privacy of your own. Explain that your relationship would be better if she trusted you to tell her about things or if she asked you openly. Just make sure you stay calm when you are talking to her.

**3**

Go and say sorry for what you said. It will make things better. It's hard, I know – but it's the best way. Then try and explain how you feel – but do it calmly. Tell her that you do understand why she is worried, and tell her you need some privacy.

**4**

You have to understand that a boy who treats you badly is bad for you. Do what you like and go to the places you want to go. Running after people who do not treat you with respect doesn't make sense.

**5**

The basic values of every relationship are love and trust. Both of you broke the trust necessary to a relationship, so both your future has changed. She was not honest to you, but you did not trust her. So in fact you have already finished with each other.



Problem letter	Answer letter
A	
B	
C	
D	



Problem letter	Answer letter
A	4
B	5
C	2
D	1