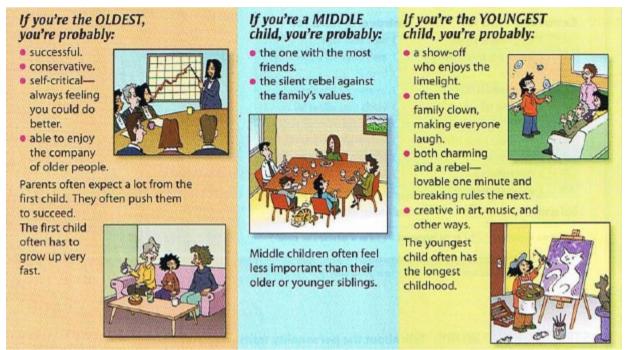
Birth Order Relationships

Birth order may not be the most important factor in personality development, but we can make some generalizations.



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Vocabulary

Instruction: Find these words in the article. Then complete each statement with one of the words.

clown	self-critical
values	creative
charming	rebel
sibling	

1.	Another word for	a brother or a sister is a
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- 2. The cultural rules within each family are its _____.
- 3. Another word for lovable is _____
- 4. People who feel they should "do better" are _____
- 5. A person who doesn't follow the rules is a _____.
- 6. Artists, musical composers, and writers are _____
- 7. A person who enjoys making other people laugh is a _____

Let's Talk!

- 1. When did you arrive in your family?
- 2. Are you the oldest child, a middle child, or the "baby"?
- 3. Which description sounds like your personality?
- 4. In families you know, are the descriptions in the article generally true? Give examples to support your opinion.
- 5. Do you believe that personality characteristics are associated with birth order?
- 6. Do you think the first child in a family has different personality traits from children who are born later?
- 7. Does birth position affect a person's intelligence?
- 8. Firstborn kids are generally more intelligent than their siblings and are often the mosst successful in life. What do you think is the reason why this happens?
- 9. How does birth order affect a person's chances for success in life? Can someone's personality change?

