

This is a graded discussion: 38 points possible

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DB 6: Familias diferentes

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Instructions

La familia is very important in the Hispanic culture. I personally am very united with my family and all my cousins. I have almost 40 first cousins and you can imagine how many aunts and uncles I have... For me, my family is my group, my team and I know I can count on them for anything that I need.

I would like you to compare what family means for people from the US vs. the importance of family for Hispanic culture.

Discussion Question

Read the article "[Importance of Family Structures in Hispanic families](https://oureverydaylife.com/importance-of-family-structure-in-hispanic-families-9890197.html)"

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and compare those roles with the roles in your family. Write at least **one sentence in Spanish** using the vocabulary and the grammar you know.

Completion/Expectations

Please read your classmates' entries and comment on at least one of them. This is a great opportunity to create a community and to form learning partnerships with each other.

Please use clear, professional, respectful, and inclusive language.

Post your answer to the Discussion prompt by July, 5th at 11:59 PM.

Please reply to at least TWO of your classmates' posts by July, 7th at 11:59 PM

This topic is closed for comments.





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BOBBIE AUSTIN (She/Her) (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/18443>)

Jun 30, 2022



Family in the United States and in Hispanic culture has its similarities and its differences. Families in the United States are usually not quite as close as those in hispanic culture. Hispanic culture includes the whole family, not just close relatives but extended family as well. In Hispanic culture the father figure is the one who is supposed to take care of the household, and that is how the U.S. used to be but now not so much for America. I know from personal experience that my fiancé still feels like he needs to be the one to provide for me and our future family. In Hispanic culture that mother is supposed to take care of the house (the children and the elderly) as well as work, they are also supposed to be the ones who nurture the children. I think that the mother role in America is similar but also different, the mother is still seen as the nurture but do not always work outside of the home, and the father in America can also seen as a nurture. In Hispanic culture, the parents of the children are not really concerned with the happiness of their children (according to the article), but in American most of the time (at least from my experience) that seems to be all the parents care about. In America, the extended family is usually just that, extended, and most American families that I know are not very close with their extended families. In Hispanic culture they include the whole family in big and small events, are the whole family is important and close with one another.

Mi familia no es cercana a mi familia extendida.



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TJ OLIVER (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30344>)

Jun 30, 2022



I agree with you on what you said about families in the united states not being as close. It's what I put down as well. I think hispanic familes are a lot more close in relations with family.



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ANALISE FOSTER (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/27152>)

Jul 2, 2022



Hola Bobbie. As to your post, I share the same sentiment on the fact that in the United States families are not close. When I migrated here I realized that a lot of family members would have tension with each other. When I used to work in the nursing home as a caregiver a lot of the patients would vent to me about whether their children would abandon them or abuse them. It is so ironic that the urban dictionary defines a family as "A group of persons living together and are closely related by blood" yet we see in the United States families display an image of not being close to each other. Another thing I

agree with you on is the fact that Americans do not play when it comes to their kids. They will go the extra mile especially if someone hurt them



SEBASTIAN MASSIMINI (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/34014>)

Jul 3, 2022

Hello Bobbie,

I agree with your post about family in the US, and I echoed something similar in my post. I wish we would still get along easier in the US with my family. I do wonder sometimes if it is the result of social media changing our views on family. The more ingrained with our phones we get, the farther apart we seem to be.



SHAMYIAH DUNCAN (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/20171>)

Jul 4, 2022

Hey Bobbie! I really agree with you when you said that most American families are not close with each other and are not the same as Hispanic families. This is how my family is and it honestly makes me upset how we can't come together and enjoy each other.



HARVEY WEBB (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30449>)

Jul 5, 2022

I also said something similar in my post about extended family. I am not very close with my extended family and usually only see them a couple times a year. It's clear after reading this article how important family is in Hispanic culture.



JAZ PARAHAM (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/27216>)

Jul 7, 2022

Hi Bobbie, I think it's cool how your husband wants to take care of the house while in hispanic culture it is the mothers role to do that. I agree that most parents here in America do a good job on caring for their children as well as the hispanic families.



TJ OLIVER (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30344>)

Jun 30, 2022

The difference between spanish and english family culture to me is how close and big hispanic families are versus united states families. United states families are relatively not as strict when it comes to showing up for big gatherings or being present for big family events in my opinion. Las familias hispanas pasan todos las celebraciones juntas. I think in hispanic culture it's more stressed to show up for big family gatherings porque pasar tiempo con la familia es muy importante. Hispanic families are also very extended. I know a few hispanic families who are very extended and they tell me about it alot. Hispanic families are very tight knit in my opinion. I think american families are not as close to each other espeacially when it comes to having relationships with extended family members.



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Jul 2, 2022



Hi TJ

I do like your post. Most definitely I do agree that Hispanic families are big when it comes to celebrations. They love to celebrate and have a good time and most importantly spend it with families. I also, learn from reading your post that in the United States they are not big on family events. That is shocking to me! A family is supposed to support each other especially when it comes on to a "family gathering".



SEBASTIAN MASSIMINI (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/34014>)

Jul 3, 2022



TJ,

I remember growing up my dad bringing us to family celebrations with his brother on his farm. I had mixed feelings with those, as I got to see very extended family there, and some I had never met before in my life. I feel like if those gatherings were more frequent it would have changed my outlook on family a little more. I do agree with you about Hispanic culture meeting and being at big gatherings more frequently.



GREGORY ROSS (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/3842>)

Jul 5, 2022



It is true, I lived with a hispanic family for about 6 months when I was a teenager and they were much closer with the extended family, which seemed to be endless with all the cousins, aunts and uncles. They did have the best cookouts though just because there were a few dozen people all cooking food.



ANALISE FOSTER (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/27152>)

Jul 2, 2022

La familia es muy importante en Jamaica cultura. when it comes to family it is a big deal for people in Jamaica. Jamaicans hold their family close to their heart, especially their mothers. If you should disrespect an individual mother it would result in violence. As for me when it comes to my family it's considered to be the second largest in my Community i.e. Reading. The "Foster" family supports each other emotionally and financially. we protect each other. If one family member is hurt then everyone is hurt. Loyalty plays a significant factor in the lives of Jamaican house-hold. We are loyal to those we hold dear to our hearts. Jamaican fathers are considered the breadwinner of the family. They are supposed to work and fend for the family; by that I mean bring in money while the mothers are supposed to clean the house, cook for the family and ensure that the children are being nurtured. In my family, all the women work. My mother would often say "be independent and have your own". Jamaican mothers are normally the affectionate ones, they tend to spoil their children and no matter how big they are, they will always refer to them as "their babies". Normally if when a child turns adult and if they say something to the mother and she doesn't like it then she'd say "yuh tink mi aah yuh a size?" reminding the child that they will always be seen as a child in their eyes. discipline plays a major factor in the Jamaican household. Children have to be well mannerable, especially to their elders or superiors. Jamaican households also believe in spanking their kids, especially grandparents. My grandparents often used this proverb "Don't spoil the rod and spoil the child."

I can definitely see that the Hispanic culture has a lot of similarities to the Jamaican culture in several ways. One of the first similarities that I notice is that of the man. Fathers in the Hispanic society are seen as strong and the 'Head' of their family. As per Jamaicans, the fathers are seen as 'Breadwinners' who are considered as the 'head' of the family. Hispanic mothers are supposed to cook, wash and clean and ensure that the children are cared for and the Jamaican families share those qualities as well. Grandparents are the backbone of the family in the Hispanic culture and that goes for Jamaican families as well. The grandparents are the ones who bring back joy and peace to the family. Family is everything to me because without them then I would not be here.



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Jul 5, 2022

Its always nice to hear the perspectives outside what I am familiar to and see our similarities. My family sounds a lot like yours. A more traditional family where the father is the head of the household and the mother is takes more responsibility of taking care of the

children and household. All the women in my family also work and some of them make more than their husbands, but the important thing is the family is close and takes care of each other.



DAESHONA MCPHERSON (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/57313>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hola Analise! I love how you compared and incorporated your Jamaican culture to the Hispanic culture. It gave us another point of view of another culture, not just the U.S. and Hispanic. I personally know a couple of Jamaican families and you described them to a T. They really hold each other close and work as a pack. I used to work at this Jamaican restaurant when I was younger, and it was ran by a family. The grandmother was the sweetest to her children and grandchildren. I remember when I was working a shift while she was there, I was in the woods (struggling because it was so busy). She pulled me to the side to talk and encouraged me like I was her own. I always felt like she gave that tough love speech that I needed.



JAZ PARAHAM (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/27216>)

Jul 7, 2022

Hi Analise, it's really cool how you compared the Jamaican side of your family to the hispanic culture. I really like how you said the Jamaican mothers always see their children as babies no matter how big they get. Its also cool to see the similarities between the Jamaican and hispanic cultures.



TJ OLIVER (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30344>)

Jul 7, 2022

I agree to you saying how jamaicans are very close with their family and hold them very close. I have a bestfreind that is jamaican and they are very family oreintated and they take family events very seroiously. I really enjoy being around caribbean culture.



SEBASTIAN MASSIMINI (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/34014>)

Jul 3, 2022

Mi familia no tiene patriarca. Mi familia es pequeno. I would say the patriarchal role in my family is split between myself and my father. If we have a matriarch in our extended family, it

would be my wife. In the US, I would generally say that family is different and those roles change from family to family. I know many friends who are always around their whole family, while myself and my wife are not. I just don't think that family means as much in the US to most people, as it does abroad or in Hispanic culture.



SHAMYIAH DUNCAN (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/20171>)

Jul 4, 2022

Hey Sebastian, I understand where you are coming from when you say family doesn't mean as much to us in the US anymore and it's honestly sad! I wonder why we aren't as close to each other anymore, especially in such hard times today.



HARVEY WEBB (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30449>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hi Sebastian- I also have a small family and I would say there also isn't a patriarch per say in my household. I also agree with what you said about family not being as important to most people in the US. I hardly ever see my extended family except for big holidays.



DAESHONA MCPHERSON (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/57313>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hola Sebastian, I understand where you come from about extended families. Nowadays in the US majority of families are broken. Children are growing up in broken homes and split in between both half's of their family. It gets hard for them to actually get to know their extended families. Sometimes they grow up not even knowing what it feels like to be with or around an actual whole family, so by the time they grow up and maybe have a family of their own, it may be difficult, which is becoming too normal in the U.S. to me.



SHAMYIAH DUNCAN (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/20171>)

Jul 4, 2022

After reading about culture in Hispanic families, I can see there are some similarities and differences. Something I can agree on is that family requirements take precedence over individual issues, and a person's relationship with family members has a significant impact on his or her identity and sense of self. As for the father roles, they are similar to some fathers in my family because they provide and protect us and because of this, I have multiple father

figures in my life. I see some differences in the role of the mother. The article states how the father is the primary enforcer of discipline, while the mother's job responsibility is to nurture. That is different in my family because my mom and dad both do equal jobs around the home. The children have similarities as well, such as my family raising children with certain expectations. For the extended family, I have a lot of differences. My extended family can be dysfunctional and tend to lack closeness. Mi familia es muy importante para mí y siempre me apoyan pase lo que pase.



VIVIAN EVETT (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/38699>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hello Shamyiah,

My extended family is also a bit dysfunctional. When we attended family get-togethers, there was usually the expectation of some bone of contention or disagreement to erupt. Usually, the same actors would bring the drama and make us all part of the show. When my mom was alive, it was worth the try; however, now we don't bother. It is much more healthy to keep to ourselves more. I get a better show with my immediate family.

Regards,

Vivian



BOBBIE AUSTIN (She/Her) (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/18443>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hola Shamyiah,

I agree with you that in Hispanic culture the individual 9 times out of 10 get over ruled and the family is more important. I also understand what you mean when talking about how your extended family having a lot of differences and lacking closeness as that is how mine is. My family is more complicated than it needs to be. In fact I have never met my paternal grandmother because she just has never had much interest in my sister and I as grandchildren.



KHAYLA BAILEY (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/24523>)

Jul 6, 2022

Hey Shamyiah, I agree. I'm not close with my extended family on both sides. Nowadays you have to close doors with people no matter if they're family because of toxic behavior or generational curses. They are definitely family-oriented in the Hispanic culture.



CODY EVETT (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30274>)

Jul 6, 2022

my extended family was/is dysfunctional too. after Grandma died they were never the same. we fought often and it was always over stupid things like politics. Mom still doesn't talk to some of her siblings. Grandma was the glue that held the family together, now it feels like the family is slowly disintegrating. the only relative we really see any more is my uncle on my mothers side-my dad's side are all fricking crazy and not worth talking about- and he's in his sixties, and with COVID around, I don't know how much longer we'll be able to see him. it'd be more frequent if he'd stop visiting COVID Central-my name for my crazy relatives in Tennessee- every other week.



JAZ PARAHAM (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/27216>)

Jul 5, 2022

Mi familia es muy importante porque ellos son muy bondadosa. My mom and brother and dad are amazing and my family is generally large. I have one brother 2 sisters 8 aunts and 3 uncles. Family culture in America is different from Hispanic culture in many ways ranging from the cultural beliefs to the food and communication. Hispanic people are family oriented where fathers hold authority, mothers are caregiver's and the children are to be taken care of. In America the mothers and fathers roles can vary but the children are to be taken care of aswell.



VIVIAN EVETT (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/38699>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hello Jaz,

I agree with your point that the importance of children is similar in America. Most of us live our lives trying to make the best life for our children. We sometimes work two or more jobs to make sure we can provide for them. We go without so that our kids can have what they need. It is our main focus in life to support our children to the best of our ability.

Regards,

Vivian



GREGORY ROSS (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/3842>)

Jul 5, 2022

It is amazing that many core principles hold true across cultures in the family structure, from care to structure, it is part of what makes us human, family and community and taking care of each other. Men tend to fill the role of strong and more authoritarian and mothers are more caring and empathetic.



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Jul 5, 2022



Generally speaking, I believe that the majority of men and women in America also feel a connection to the machismo- and marianismo-type understanding of self in a relationship. Although our changing society promotes a more equal partnership, men often feel that it is their responsibility to provide for the family while their female partner is more responsible for the home and children. Women are still the predominant caregivers in our society; however, men who assume that role are not considered any less machismo. Our ever-changing roles have placed more importance on equality and freedom to choose but many traditions are hard to let go. My husband and I have an equal partnership in our relationship. We each have strengths and challenges and work together to support each other. After 30 years of marriage, we've settled into an understanding of roles and an acceptance that neither is "the boss."

I come from a large family with two parents and seven children. I am lucky number seven. We have an extended family in Tennessee (maternal and paternal relatives) that we often visited throughout our growing years. Over the years, most of my siblings have married and had children. I have two sons. Family gatherings were often large, loud, and unruly. Only three of my siblings live in the same city that we grew up in. The rest have branched out as far as New York.

My mother was the primary caregiver and her daughters were raised to be the same. My father was in the military and often deployed when my older siblings were growing up. He was retired and quite ill when I was growing up. It was understood in our house that Mom ran the place. She had a small army at her heels, ready to take on anything that caused her difficulties.

Familism is important to our family. When my mother began slipping into dementia, I cared for her for years until one of my brothers retired and assumed her care (he was single and able to devote more time for her). It was important to us to care for our mother as she had done for us our whole lives.

Since her death a couple years ago, our extended family has fractured and become distant. She was the glue that bound us together. She is probably fussing at us from heaven. Celebrating her life is what usually brings us back together.

Mi familia es muy grande. Tengo tres hermanos y tres hermanas. Tengo dos hijos.



HARVEY WEBB (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/30449>)

Jul 5, 2022

After reading the article, it is clear that family is fundamental to Hispanic culture. The father in Hispanic cultures maintains a more traditional role and is expected to be the bread winner as well as protect their family. However, nowadays Hispanics who live in the US are straying more from this traditional gender role and share responsibilities in their relationships. The mother in Hispanic cultures is traditionally the caregiver and also maintains the household. In my family, both of my parents worked and took care of the house. Children in Hispanic families are taught to respect authorities and not be too emotional. Families are very close knit in Hispanic culture and extended family is of equal importance. Grandparents often live with family and there are frequent visits with other family members. I was also taught to respect authority figures, however, my family is not very close with our extended relatives. La familia es muy importante para cultura Hispana.



AMARI' YOUNG-EL (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/13358>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hola, Harvey

The fathers role is very clear in Hispanas cultura, I agree. I wonder though, how one is taught to lack emotion at a young age, and what affect would that have on social and future relations in adulthood. What do you think?

Mucho gusto,

Amarî



ROSE BENJAMIN (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/10667>)

Jul 7, 2022

¡Hola Jake! Nuestro familias son similares. ¿Tu tienes una hermana o un hermano? Me and my brother were also taught to not be too emotional as well. Affection comes few and far between. Mi papa es muy serio pero mi mama es muy trabajadora y simpatica tambien. ¿Que festividades prefieres con tu familia?



ROSE BENJAMIN (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/10667>)

Jul 7, 2022

¡Lo siento mucho Harvey! Escribo "¡Hola Jake!" pero es mal.



JAKE ALBERT (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/17120>)

Jul 5, 2022

I believe that the mother and father roles of both countries families are quite similar, although we're seeing a shift of those roles not being as concrete as they have historically. The family bond in hispanic families definitely seem a lot stronger than that of families in the US. The close relationships with extended family can help people feel more connected, with much support from others. La familia es muy importante en la cultura hispana.



AMARI' YOUNG-EL (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/13358>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hola, Jake.

Como estas? I agree with the valid points you made. A great example is how Americans are more quick to acknowledge their state than their own heritage or the US as a whole, other countries tend to be more proud of both.

Hasta



BOBBIE AUSTIN (She/Her) (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/18443>)

Jul 5, 2022

Hola Jake,

I can agree with you that the traditional American mother and fathers roles are similar to those of Hispanic culture. But there has been a shift in those over the years and are not as concrete as they used to be and not quite as a big deal as in previous decades. I also agree that being close with your extended family can help you feel more connected as a family and can help you have support from the family as a whole.



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Jul 5, 2022

There are some similarities between a Hispanic traditional household vs an American one. I will only speak on the African American family that raised me.

Religioso, si muy. Mi madre es la matriarca y portadora de la paz. Tanto mi mama como mi padraastro requieren el mismo nivel de respeto, o de lo contrario. JAJAJA



GREGORY ROSS (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/3842>)

Jul 5, 2022



Mi familia es similar a familias Hispana. Mi padre es fuerte, brovo, honorable y trabajador. Mi madre es compasiva, trabajadora y es cariñosa. Sus hijos es muy importante. Nuestros familiares son muy unido.



ANDREW HASTY (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/31751>)

Jul 5, 2022



Mi Familia es no unidos. No hablamos mucho. Mi padres no son my buenos.



DAESHONA MCPHERSON (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/57313>)

Jul 5, 2022



Al leer el paso los roles de la familia hispana es casi la mismo como mi familia. The role of my father works endlessly. He is the main financial provider to the household and protector. In the U.S. the father is known as the man of the house, but the the eldest man or father is known as patriarchal; which is the overseer of the entire family. As stated in the article, mothers are to be more attentive to the household, by taking care of children, or maybe even the elder in the immediate family. My mother does it all; the roles she has is the caretaker, the financial provider to her children, the backbone to my father. I see more in the U.S. today that mothers takes on so much more on their plate than they can handle, just simply because some women refuse just to be a stay at home mom anymore. Mothers and women want to continue to feel the power to be independent and be able to have a stable income for themselves, and not just having rely on the man's financial income. The role of children in the U.S. now is to be well educated. The U.S. got it programmed in parents mind to push their children that to be successful in life you need to pursue a degree. To get a well paying job, requires a degree. Children aren't free, they live off the expectations of their parents. As for me, my parents brought me up to be opened minded, disciplined, versatile, free, and well educated. The role

my parents expected of me is just simply be a child and don't grow up too fast, and continue to follow the path my parents laid out for me, to become a successful person. Made my parents' life easier by staying out of trouble, and once of age, start helping around the house, and work on my own financial needs. Families in general mean a lot to each other, some families may be more extended than the others, but the support and love is endless. In my family extended family members feel more like immediate family. My extended family steps in to help do favors for one another, and supports each other without any hesitation.



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Jul 5, 2022



Mi familia es grande. There's my mom, my dad, my brother, me, a half sister on my dad's side in West Virginia, my aunts and uncles on my mom's side and some relatives on my mom's side who live in Tennessee. There's some relatives on my dad's side but they're all frigging crazy and not worth talking about. My mother is the nurturer while my father works. However there are several key differences between the family type from the article and mine. For instance, in my family we are encouraged to talk to authority figures, although we should usually be polite when doing so, even when telling them they did something wrong/foolish, which happens quite often in our lives. We are fairly religious although my parents have encouraged us to find our own faith and embrace whichever one most matches our preferences. My mother also does most of the discipline, because she's better at it. That woman may be tiny but holy CRAP, is she tough. She's not really a hardcase though. She's actually pretty lenient, but when one crosses her, yowzah. Even I don't want to cross her, and I have what my therapist calls "sociopathic tendencies". Short version, I have very few emotions, think very logically, and don't care much what others think of what I do. My mom is the only exception. But I know in my heart she wants what's best for me, even if that involves slapping me back to consciousness after I do something stupid.

Spanish and Latin American families differ from American families in many ways. Families in America tend to range in religiosity, as well as who works vs who takes care of the house and family. We also have more of a range of how we approach authority figures. Some of us are free thinkers, while others don't question authority even when said authority leads them off a metaphorical cliff like lemmings. We are also more flexible on the idea of gender politics. In some households men earn the money and women take care of the house, while in others the opposite is true. In some, neither do anything and the kids fend for themselves but we don't talk about those.



ANDREW HASTY (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/31751>)

Jul 7, 2022

Yeah i agree. American families have less of a hierarchical structure within the family. For example, I was the breadwinner while on active duty, but now that I am only a student, my wife is the main source of income. I think American families rely on making it work, rather than being dependent on family or sticking to a traditional structure. It isn't a bad thing. I believe that family values are not as important in American culture as they are in Hispanic culture.



ROSE BENJAMIN (<https://canvas.odu.edu/courses/122296/users/10667>)

Jul 5, 2022

Within the Spanish culture, families have specific roles. As a first-generation pacific islander American, both cultures are very similar. Mi papa es muy serio y muy trabajador. He works for the post office and is a veteran so for me, the father often represents the importance of family obligations (Clark, 2018). Fathers often withhold the responsibility to instill the importance of hard work and set the base of the home physically. The mother provides support and emotional closeness. Although the father is head of the household, it is common that the mother also is working. Children are meant to clean and keep the house in array as well. As soon as children meet working age(16 years old, infrequently 15 years old) it is often that the mother stops working.

Spanish culture is very much a celebratory culture, bringing all parts of the family together. Pacific islander culture is very similar. Yo tengo una hermano. Se llama es Kodi. Tenemos muchas los parientes. Anytime there is a reason to celebrate, we will.

Clark, Janet Mulroney. "Importance of Family Structure in Hispanic Families." *Our Everyday Life*, 11 Mar. 2019,

<https://oureverydaylife.com/importance-of-family-structure-in-hispanic-families-9890197.html>.



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Jul 6, 2022

What family means to Americans versus how significant family is in Hispanic culture. Academic and professional success are higher valued in Hispanic families. They have a significant network of support from their extended family, hold such large events, and have a distinctive style of partying. Because of the larger religious diversity in America religion is more widespread. Your parents anticipate that you follow directions or may disregard your feelings towards some situation or in general while in the Hispanic culture Parents are concerned about their children's happiness and enjoyment and are not likely to attend events where the children are not included.



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I agree. Most American families do not maintain close relationships, at least as close as Hispanic families. It's unfortunate. Also, religion used to be a uniting factor. Not so much anymore.