

## PARENTS ARE MISTAKEN WHEN...

Whose parents are never getting you what you want? Or saying 'you don't need it'? My parents are always telling me 'you don't need it'. If your parents say this to you, they are wrong. Parents just don't understand. I am going to persuade you today that parents are wrong because times have changed since they were kids, parents just don't understand and let's face it, kids are always right. Now let's talk about how times have changed since our parents were kids.

My parents are 50. That is 45 long years since their first day of school. Back then T.V was black and white, no one had even remotely considered taking a phone with them everywhere and 'google' wasn't even a word. As you can see times have changed, a lot! You can't go anywhere without seeing a person on their cell phone! So, to be honest, parents just can't adapt. They think that the crazy new fashion of onesies that is the most amazing thing since sliced bread is ugly, strange and only for babies. Parents are mistaken! They are too old and stuck in the 80's. Someone please tell my mum to take off her leg warmers and stop perming her hair! Now, enough about how ancient my parents are, let's move on to how parents just don't understand.

"Mum chocolate comes from cocoa which comes from a tree. That makes it a plant. So really, chocolate counts as salad!"  
"You don't need it!" Mum always replies. Now dear listener, as you know chocolate is necessary for everyone's existence. If I don't have chocolate right now my world will burn in a fireball. Luckily I always carry spare. So chocolate is a must, but parents don't get it! It's not just chocolate it is everything I have ever wanted. Parents can't comprehend that I really do need everything I say I do. All kids do! But since our parents are too old and brainless they don't understand that what I want is vital. Parents simply don't understand anything about kids! Now let's move on to how kids are always right.

People (especially parents) think that kids are dumb, can't do anything and are never right. Anyone who thinks this is wrong. Kids are always right, always! Kids are always right because a) we have education and learn new things every day, b) we have the technology to prove we are right and c) if kids say they are right, they are right, because they are always right. So when parents say to their children 'you don't need it' they are incorrect because a kid said it and kids are always correct. Parents, really, are always mistaken. Kids, never! So kids, even if your parents say you are wrong, don't worry, you aren't. Now let's move on.

Overall, parents are mistaken when they say to their children 'you don't need it'. This is because, as I said before, times have changed since our parents were kids, parents don't understand and kids are always right. So if your parents are never getting you what you want or saying 'you don't need it' remember, parents just haven't adapted to the 21<sup>st</sup> century yet.

Charlotte Roberts



## THREE FAMOUS PEOPLE FROM HISTORY I'D LIKE TO FRIEND ON FACEBOOK.

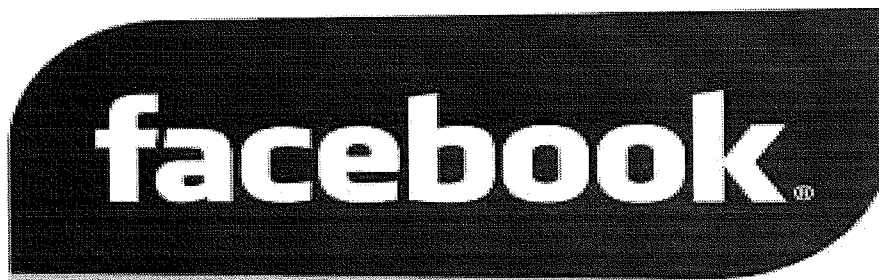
O.....M....G, I have just been on Facebook and sent friend requests to three famous people in history, I am a Facebook user and have been one for 6 months, and I just hope they accept my requests. I want you all to know that friending three famous, historical people will be so amazing and why everyone should do it! My three new friend requests have been sent to King Henry VIII, Anne Frank and Adolf Hitler. You could choose anyone, but I chose these three as I already knew a bit about them.

My first friend request has been sent to King Henry VIII, the Tudor King of England from 1509-1547. I first heard of King Henry VIII when I was at primary school in England, Henry VIII was most famous for breaking away from the Catholic Church, to divorce his first wife Catherine of Aragon. He wanted a divorce as Catherine was unable to give him a son. He carried on to have 5 more marriages all but the last ending in divorce or execution. I can only begin to imagine his postings about barbaric executions, lavish Tudor celebrations with tables groaning under the weight of food, entertainment from court jesters and musicians. I think he was a person with a huge personality but could be very cruel if you fell out of his favour.

My second friend request is sent to Anne Frank Anne Frank is also my hero, she has taught me to never look back, and always look to the future. I have read her diary but being friends with her on Facebook will be awesome, I could speak to her as often as I could and find out what it was like being a teenage Jewish girl living in a Nazi occupied country. Anne and her family went into hiding in July 1942, and remained there for 2 years. They were captured on 1<sup>st</sup> August 1944, separated and sent off to different concentration camps. Anne died of typhus aged 15 on March 1945 2 months before World War 2 ended, in Bergen Belson concentration camp. As a Jewish person, Anne had to wear a yellow star on her coat, and wasn't allowed to sit on public benches, or go to the cinema etc. I think everyone should read her diary, I think it was very wrong to persecute someone for their religion, and the one person I could ask is my last friend request, Adolf Hitler.

I'm not actually sure that 'friend' would be the right term, maybe 'fiend.' I'd like to know why he started World War II? What drove him to put his people through another war? My big question would be, why did he persecute the Jewish people, what had they ever done to him? I'd ask him if his childhood or upbringing played any part in his decisions? My last question would be, if he thought he was a good leader and if he suffers any guilt for all deaths he caused to the people?

Well now I have told and explained to you why you should friend three famous people in history, like King Henry VIII, Anne Frank and Adolf Hitler you could choose anyone but I chose these three as I already knew a bit about them. Yippee just got three confirmed friend requests, let's get chatting!



*Georgia Middleton*

# If I could control time I would....

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What would you do if you could control time? Hi my name is Josh Burrowes and If I could control time I would look into my future to see what will happen and change what is bad in life. I would like to see my family and where I would work. Hopefully I will be a police officer with a nice wife and two kids (boy and girl) I would be living on a beach house on a little hill looking out to the sea. The house would be big and solar powered. Once I could see how great my life in the future is I would change all the bad things, so that everyone could have a peaceful life. I would also invent cars that run on everyday rubbish but not bones.

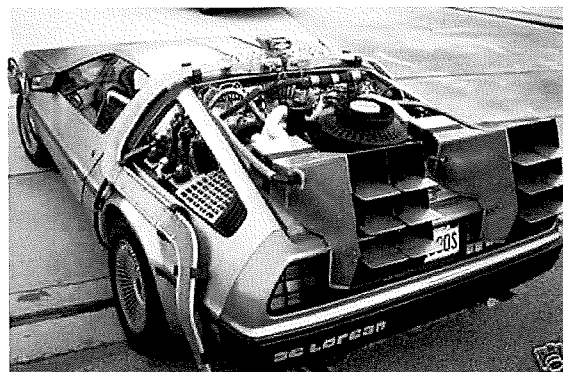
The first thing I would change is wars! How would I do this? ...I would go back in time and meet Hitler and get to know him and why he wanted to do all the bad things he did. If I had to I would stop him and kill him or stop him doing all the bad things he did.

I would need to find all the people who had invented dangerous weapons and explain to them what will happen in the future if they do it. I could not prevent earthquakes and tsunamis so I would need to help people build disaster proof homes. I would bring back dinosaurs not the harmful meat eaters so it would be the Brontosaurus which I would keep in a zoo not like Jurassic park although it would have lots of big trees.

I would help poor people by having massive donation centres this would be done by going into the future and bringing stuff that we don't need back and give it to the poor. I would also like to meet some people from the past for example Michael Jackson. Why Michael Jackson you might ask? Because he sang heaps of good songs. I'd like to meet my Uncle Jarred I never got to meet him because he died of a heart attack at 32 and I'm supposed to be like him. If I could control time I would take weed killer back into the past and destroy the first tobacco plants and other drugs that come from plants.

So in conclusion I think it would be awesome to control time because you wouldn't have to worry about all the world's problems. You could just change them.

By Josh Burrowes



## **FIRST IMPRESSIONS CAN BE MISLEADING.**

What would your first impression be of me? Hang on, don't answer that. People judge other people by how they look not who they are. I know this because I have done it myself. I'm going to tell you how you should get to know someone before judging them. I bet that you have all had a misleading first impression of someone, right? Anyway, I'm going to persuade you how first impressions can be misleading, why you should get to know people first and that you should never judge someone by how they look. First I will explain how first impressions can be misleading.

Have you ever made a misleading first impression of someone? Well I think that most of you have. It is very common for people to see someone and judge them. Your impression is not always right and that is because you judged them by what they look like and how they act, this is also known as appearance verses reality. It might happen that they are exactly like you and you haven't realized it. Maybe you haven't gone and talked to them. Well you probably haven't. Now let's move over to why you should get to know someone before judging them.

People are not always how they appear. They may behave like someone else to fit in. You can't judge them if they are only trying to belong in a group or maybe even make friends. You could say that they are really strange, when they really aren't. Make sure they show there true colours and not someone else's. How about you go talk to them and ask them what they like to do. You can't just go, 'that person is weird because they are probably only trying to fit in.' I'm now going to tell you how you should never judge someone by how they look.

Have you ever heard the saying never judge a book by its cover, well that is the exact same for people. They may look good or even bad, but you don't actually know anything about them. You could end up being friends with them. You don't have any idea who they are or what they like to do because you judged them by how they appeared. Maybe you should use your brains and go talk to them. It's not that hard, is it? People just don't have the guts. You should get to know people for who they are and not how they look. Imagine being known as the person who judge's people wrong. It might not be that much fun or it could be, for some people. Finally I'm going to sum it all up.

I have just explained to you how first impressions can be misleading, why you should get to know people first and that you should never judge people by how they look. Now you will never judge someone when you first see them. So think again about what your first impression would be of me.

By Isabelle Talbot

