

Challenge for teen leaders



Currents and influences on today's teenagers

... and how do we counter these currents and influences?

Currents and influences, challenges

Currents

- Experience-based learning - opportunities to recognize and prove the truth
- Experiencing a culture that no longer grew up with books
- The fast pace of change in today's society
- The pursuit of success - Show me your successes and I'll show you your worth!
- Every expression of sexuality is valuable
- Sinking into yourself
- Tolerance is elevated above all other values
- Family breakdown and broken relationships

The 4 formative influences on young people

- Parents and family
- School and teachers
- The "clique"
- The media

The 6 challenges for the teenage leader

- Declare war on half-heartedness!
- Be authoritative!
- Give them real role models
- Give them real care
- We must give the teens responsibility
- Give them the freedom to make mistakes

See PFD file for details

[Challenge for teen leaders](#)

Credits:

Author and images: Glyn Normann, edited by Hj. Kaufmann, INPUT 4/95, Teenie, Besj

Copyright: www.besj.ch