Not Quite Adults Reflection

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Q.1 What were your biggest takeaway pieces from this book?

The book "Not Quite Adults" provides a compelling insight into the transition from youth to adulthood. There are two things that set this book apart from all the available books in the market that provide knowledgeable information about the challenges of the transition into adulthood. First, the book is written in a manner that effectively conveys the ideas presented by the authors. Second, the range of issues that it discusses is simply a joy to read. Be it the hardships that one endures by abrupt educational changes or the fluctuating relationship of a young person with his or her parents, the book provides more than enough guidance for a young person to fare well in any case.

Furthermore, the powerful message regarding the marital life it projects would definitely have helped many having doubts over the issue. Additionally, the thorough research done by the authors with respect to the different aspects of social life and professional life is really helpful for those that are on course of this transition. Besides being insightful and knowledgeable on the challenges and hardships that the transition entails, the book describes ample advantages and comforts that one would enjoy afterward.

Another important take away one might think is, despite lagging behind his or her friends, this does not, in any way, means the end of the world. Instead, slow advancement is to be taken towards more powerful relationships and even more well balanced social network.

In recent years, the way the media have displayed the people having a slow start to their career and making slow progress into the transition is quite shocking. They are often labeled as lazy, lethargic and unpractical with their approach towards the transition into adulthood. However, the way this misconception is debunked in this book is remarkable. Instead, it reveals that delayed progression towards adulthood is deemed as more balanced which propels a young person towards a better future.

Q.2 What did you learn about education and the pathways young people take? How does this compare and contrast to your own educational experiences?

 The most important decision that a young person has to take, at the beginning of this all-important transition, is to decide the degree program that he or she wants to join in. Once the study program is decided, the next challenge the young girl or boy comes across is to select the college of their preference. The process is nerve-wracking as well as nail-biting. The young person is occupied with tonnes of question regarding his or her future. Additionally, today’s parents recognize the value of a degree. They understand that it is a gateway for their children toward well-payed jobs and a recipe for success. They have invested so heavily in leading their children towards the life they wished they had. .Hence, the role of parents at this all-important juncture is indispensable.

However, the parents that do not take full ownership of their children's education are not doing them a tiny bit of favor. Instead, they are unwittingly pushing their child towards a life that no one wishes for their children. Not having a college degree in today's unforgiving world can have disastrous consequences. Young people are particularly susceptible to drugs and other illegal activities. With full time and well paying job, the avenue to drugs is closed.

The manner in which I transitioned into adulthood was somewhat similar to what all the young people had experienced. It was a turbulent ride. The days and nights were quite stressful. Having doubts whether or not I would be accepted at a college of my preference was a difficult experience. However, my parents had my back all along. I am grateful for their support.

Q.3 What did you find interesting in the sections on love and relationships? How does this

compare and contrast to your own experiences?

 The concept of marrying, settling down and having children has altogether changed in

the last decade or so. Young people are delaying marriages far longer than previously witnessed.

The idea behind this is to have a stable career before moving towards marriage. Another issue

highlighted by the author is the growing number of interracial marriages.

 These two aspects are the most interesting to me. The prime reason behind delaying

marriage is that I would like to get to know my partner before settling down with her instead

knowing her afterward. The problem with the previous generations was perhaps this that they

moved too quickly with their marriages.Marriage, to me, requires strong commitment and

dedication in order to prosper. Delaying a marriage provides a young man and woman with

enough time to become mentally and emotionally stable. This stability is the key to a

happier life.

 Taking into account the discussion above, I, too, would delay marrying at an early age.

Not because of any medical or psychological condition, but because of having a stable career and

 a source of income before settling down.

Q.4 What was the most interesting fact/section/part/story of the book?

 The section where the author described the characteristics of the young generation and

pronounced them as a whiz-kid is quite compelling. The traits attributed to the younger

generation of not steadily climbing the ladder like the previous generation is a thing to be proud

of. The authors had attributed these changing trends to economic factors. According to the

author, the reason behind this is that young people demand freedom and have a motive to why

attach themselves to an employer that would not think twice before firing them. Rather, this

generation likes to commit themselves to their parents and friends.