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For the following question, by "services that support childhoods", we mean investing in and providing better access to children's centres, family support services, youth support services etc.

Do you think the UK Government is investing too much or too little into services that support childhoods, or do you think they are investing the right amount?

Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
The UK Government is investing too much	2%
The UK Government is investing the right amount	25%
The UK Government is investing too little	58%
Don't know	16%

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Total

Still thinking about your grandchild aged 11 to 18 whose birthday is next...

Which, if any, of the following do you think are important to your grandchild for them to feel happy? (Please select all that apply)

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Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
Feeling loved and cared for by their family/ carers	92%
Having good relationships with their friends	85%
Being able to do hobbies they enjoy (e.g. sport)	72%
Having free time to themselves where they don't have to do anything in particular	63%
Spending time on their favourite electronic devices (e.g. x-box, tablet, phone etc.) $ \\$	52%
Feeling safe to spend time outdoors in the area where they live	72%
Being treated fairly/ with respect and feeling they have a say in things that affect them	81%
Being comfortable with who they are and the way they look	79%
Other	2%
Don't know	1%
Not applicable - nothing in particular is important to my grandchild for them to feel happy	1%

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Still thinking about your child aged 11 to 18 whose birthday is next...

Which ONE, if any, of the following do you think is most important to your grandchild for them to have a good relationship with their parent(s)/ carer(s)? (Please select the option that BEST applies)

Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
Being able to talk to them openly about their worries without feeling judged	15%
Their parent(s)/carer(s) setting clear rules and teaching them right and wrong	8%
Their parent(s)/carer(s) having patience and forgiveness when they make mistakes	3%
Feeling loved and cared for by them	37%
Being supported and encouraged by them to do well in and outside of school	9%
Being treated fairly/ with respect by them and feeling they have a say in things that affect them	15%
Receiving physical affection from them (e.g. hugs)	3%
Spending time with their parent(s)/ carer(s) doing the things they enjoy	5%
Other	0%
Don't know	3%
Not applicable – nothing in particular is important to my grandchild to have a good relationship with their parent(s)/ carer(s)	1%

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Total

For the following question, by "childhood", we mean children in the age range of 0 to 18.

In general, which, if any, of the following do you think stop children from having a good childhood nowadays? (Please select all that apply)

select all that apply)	
Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
Not feeling safe enough to play/ spend time outside where they live	42%
Too much pressure from school (e.g. homework, exams etc.)	37%
Threats to safety through technology and social media (e.g. hack accounts)	48%
Not being listened to or having a say in things that affect them	45%
Being bullied (e.g. online, at school, outside of school etc.)	69%
Family arguments and disagreements	47%
Poor mental health	26%
Too much pressure to fit in and to look a certain way	57%
Families not having enough money to live comfortably	33%
Too much time spent on electronic devices and social media	60%
Other	1%
Don't know	2%
Not applicable - nothing in particular stops children from having a good childhood nowadays	2%

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Now thinking about your grandchild aged 11 to 18 whose birthday is next...

Which, if any, of the following do you think your grandchild worries about? (Please select all that apply)

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Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
Being bullied (e.g. online, at school, outside of school etc.)	26%
Having disagreements/ falling out with their friends	33%
Pressure from school (e.g. homework, exams etc.)	35%
The physical and/ or mental health of their family and/ or friends	12%
Being a victim of crime online and when using technology (e.g. not knowing who they're talking to, people using their information in a harmful way, people knowing their location etc.)	7%
Being a victim of crime when they go out (e.g. knife crime, terrorism, robbery etc.)	14%
Their own mental health	9%
Their own physical appearance (i.e. what they look like)	28%
Family arguments and disagreements	21%
"FOMO" (i.e. feeling that people are always doing more exciting or interesting things than them)	6%
Our family having enough money to live comfortably	11%
Other	2%
Don't know	9%
Not applicable - my grandchild does not worry about anything in particular	18%
Prefer not to say	0%

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Still thinking about your grandchild aged 11 to 18 whose birthday is next and what they worry about...

In which, if any, of the following ways do you think worries impact on your grandchild's day-to-day life? (Please select all that apply)Their worries affect...

Unweighted base	1119
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18 that have worries	1159
their ability to focus their mind on what they are doing	30%
their ability to make friends	19%
their confidence to leave the house alone	12%
whether they go to social events	14%
whether they get a good night's sleep	19%
their ability to be open with their parent(s)/carer(s)	26%
their ability to shake negative feelings	29%
their energy to get on with things	15%
Other	1%
Don't know	15%
Not applicable – their worries do not impact on my grandchild's day-to-day life	20%

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As a reminder, by "childhood", we mean children in the age range of 0 to 18.If you have more than one child, please think about the parent of the grandchild you have been thinking about in this survey.

Do you think childhoods today are better or worse than when your son/ daughter was a child, or do you think they are about the same?

Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
Childhoods today are better	10%
About the same	24%
Childhoods today are worse	62%
Don't know	3%

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For the following question, by "brighter future", we mean having better opportunities in life such as the chance of having a good career, being able to do the things they enjoy, affording a house etc.lf you have more than one child, please think about the parent of the grandchild you have been thinking about in this survey.

In general, do you think your son/ daughter did or did not have a brighter future compared to children today, or do you think this is about the same?

Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
Children today do have a brighter future compared to when my son/ daughter was their age	16%
About the same	39%
Children today do not have a brighter future compared to when my son/ daughter was their age	41%
Don't know	4%

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Thinking generally about children today...

Which, if any, of the following do you want to be different for children today? (Please select all that apply)

Unweighted base	1379
Base: All UK grandparents of children aged 11 to 18	1423
More opportunities to get a good job	58%
More chance to do hobbies and have fun	38%
Safer streets/ lower risk of crime (e.g. knife crime, gang related crime etc.)	77%
Less pressure from school (e.g. homework, exams etc.)	32%
Less use of social media/ devices	65%
Less pressure to fit in with friends	40%
Less pressure around physical appearance	57%
More free time to themselves where they don't have to do anything in particular	23%
More services that support children and families who need help (e.g. children's centres, youth centres, mental health support etc.)	49%
Safer online environment	69%
Other	1%
Don't know	2%
Not applicable - I do not want anything in particular to be different for children today	1%

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