Many parents encourage young people to leave home when they become older, while others think they should stay at home with the family.

Discuss both views and give your own opinion.

Leaving the parental home can be a drastic transformation in any family and a tremendous step for children. Although many consider this change highly advantageous and believe young adults should leave home as they get older, others are of the opinion that this can cause problems for families.

On the one hand, there are many advantages to setting up home at an early age. First, this could be a huge step to young adults' life leading to independence. As children become older, the urge to act independently arises within them. Their parents' disapproval notwithstanding, they find themselves in the dire need to pass the various stages of life solely. Their reluctance to participate in family's gatherings and occasions which starts to develop since their adolescence and their lack of enthusiasm to spend quality time with their family can bear the witness. To satisfy this urge, young children can declare their independence by flying off their parental nest. This can bring them the liberty they seek to possess at this stage of their life. Moreover, postponing the farewell can cause friction between parents and their beloved ones. Becoming involved in a verbal if not physical argument is a common sight among families with teenagers. The older the children, the more intense and massive these frequent arguments. In fact, feeling imprisoned by the de facto rulers after a certain age, the previously cute and lovely child starts to demand more rights and co-govern the territory rather than obey the rules already set.

On the other hand, living with their parents can avoid numerous problems for youngsters. To begin with, given the fact that teenagers are yet to learn about the world and they may lack enough experience and street wisdom to survive on their own, it is believed by many experts that they are extremely susceptible to be manipulated by others in a society replete with opportunists and even psychopaths. If leftleaving the house early, one might be readily tricked into committing offence, recruited by gangs, or even sexually abused. Newspapers are filled with abundant depressing stories about teenagers who end up in dismal situations after leaving home early. Furthermore, considering the economic crises throughout the world, it would be a massive challenge for people in their teens or twenties to meet make their ends meet. These days, with many families' breadwinners trying to live from paycheck to paycheck, becoming financially independent seems to be out of the question. Not to mention that for applying for a job one needs to acquire university degrees as well as other qualifications which takes more time than ever before.

To conclude, although leaving the nest in the hope of becoming independent and setting off a new life seems to benefit both parents and their offspring, I refute and find these merits a form of window-dressing.