

Mark: So you're from a big _____ (families / family), aren't you, Sorie?

Sorie: Yes. I have five _____ (brother / brothers). They're all younger than I and I'm the _____ (only / once) girl in the house.

Mark: The only girl, all _____ (younger / young) than you?

Sorie: Yes. I am 27, and _____ (the / all) youngest is six years old. He's just _____ (gone / go) to first grade right now.

Mark: That's an incredible age _____ (span / spin), isn't it?

Sorie: Yes, that's right.

Mark: Sort of _____ (busy / busier) mother.

Sorie: Yeah. She had me when she was 17 _____ (year / years) old. So she's still very young. And even _____ (thought / though) I didn't have any sisters, she was so _____ (closed / close) in age that I felt like she was like _____ (my / me) sister.

Mark: Right. So _____ (been / being) the only girl didn't really—you didn't feel _____ (anyone / anything) odd about that?

Sorie: I always _____ (tried / tied) my mom's dresses and her _____ (show / shoes). And I wanted to be like her. But _____ (many / most) of the time, I was _____ (spent / spending) with my brothers. And I remember, it was very _____ (hectic / healthy), it was like a zoo. I remember one time when my brother was _____ (chased / chasing) me with a big knife.

Mark: Wow.

Sorie: And _____ (close / closed) the door and the knife was _____ (stuck / stick) in the door.

Mark: So having _____ (this / those) brothers, did it make you like more boyish _____ (than / then) girlish?

Sorie: Definitely, yeah. And I like that. I feel very _____ (comfortably / comfortable) around boys or males than _____ (females / female). Even growing up, I had more _____



(male / males) friends than female friends.

Mark: Hmm, did you never kind of _____ (pines / pine) or crave for that sister?

Sorie: You know, not really. No, no. I _____ (wanted / want) a big brother actually. And I really enjoyed the _____ (presence / presents) of boys. You just don't have to worry _____ (above / about) anything. You can just speak and be _____ (honesty / honest). Whenever we got together _____ (with / at) my girlfriends, I had to be more _____ (concern / concerned) about their feelings and I _____ (actually / actual) don't like that very much.

Mark: Hmm, I'm not like _____ (you / your) though. I'm from a really _____ (small / smile) family. I just got my sister. I grew _____ (up / out) with my sister, and I did feel like I could _____ (speak / speaks) to her about most things. I don't feel like I had to _____ (restriction / restrict) myself from sharing certain _____ (things / thing).

Sorie: I think it also _____ (depending / depends) on at certain age. When you're _____ (young / younger), there is that time where you're always _____ (fights / fighting). And then you _____ (grow / grew) older and then you have _____ (families / family) and then you have more things _____ (in / on) common and the relationship _____ (changes / changing) throughout your _____ (life / lives).

Mark: What I find really _____ (interested / interesting) about myself and my sister, I think _____ (we're / were) really, really different. But _____ (theirs / there's) something about us that, it _____ (make / makes) us really, really similar. And I can't quite _____ (let / put) my finger on it but it's like, yeah, it's like our humor is _____ (a / the) same. We might laugh at the same thing and _____ (even / ever) now as we're older already. I don't _____ (feel / felt) like we particularly have many _____ (similar / similarly) interests or much in _____ (comment / common) but we can still speak to each _____ (other / another) and there's _____ (definitely / definite) that sense of family _____ (connecting / connection).



Mark: So you're from a big _____ (family / families) **(family)**, aren't you, Sorie?

Sorie: Yes. I have five _____ (brother / brothers) **(brothers)**. They're all younger than I and I'm the _____ (once / only) **(only)** girl in the house.

Mark: The only girl, all _____ (young / younger) **(younger)** than you?

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