• Similarities among families. Children will learn that families are not the same. Some families are poor while others are rich. Some live in permanent houses while others do not.
• The uniqueness of each family. Children will discover that each family is unique and that no two families are the same. Some children come from single parent families while others will be having both parents.
• Homes. Children will learn about different types of homes and the things in their homes.
• Foods and food preferences. Children will learn about the foods they eat in their homes. They will learn about the foods they eat as snacks, lunch, and supper.
• Family activities. Children will learn about family activities and how the activities are performed.
• Celebrations. Children will learn about family celebrations like achievement, wedding anniversaries and birthday celebrations, and reasons why celebrations are important.
• Family values.
• Other people living in their homes: house help, farm workers, and watchman.

Functions of the family

A family plays the following functions:
• Provides affection. It is one of the basic needs of children. According to Pestalozzi, a home is a centre of love and affection; it is the best place for education and the first school for the child. Parents should teach children to respect themselves and to love God. They should also teach children to respect and obey God’s laws.
• Socializing the child. Children learn from elders. Home is an agent of socialization. Home makes a child social being. Home modifies a child’s behaviour.
• Teaches morals. Morality is a guide to living. It guides people in a society on how to live. Morality helps people to know what to do. A person may use trial and error or follow morality. Morality helps a person to choose rationally among values. Values are standards of behaviour. Elders teach children morals.
• Imparts education. Education of a child starts at home. Schools continue from where the home has reached.
• Recreates. It is important for proper growth and development of children. The home provides recreation facilities.
• Facilitates children’ development. Parents should ensure that home environment is conducive for growth and development of children. Home environment should facilitate the growth and development of children.
• Inculcates values.