We think the positives far outweigh the barriers!

Barrier - We can have a surly exterior but underneath we are people just like you

Now for the Positives!

We are not like babies – crying through the night, teething and being sick all the time. We don't have smelly nappies that need changing.



We are less demanding on your time than babies as we have the skills to be independent.

Unlike babies and small children we can speak and tell you how we are feeling.

We can be a positive influence on other children.

We can be adventurous and interested in lots of different things which may mean you will learn new things from us (e.g. skateboarding, technology)

We have a good understanding of technology and might be able to help you have a better understanding of things like social media, apps etc



We can offer help in doing household chores – helping to keep the home tidy

We like to try new things like activities. You might be encouraged to do the same

We can help younger children living in the house

Helping teenagers to grow into independent people can be a very different but very good experience.

The quality of the relationships that you have is different and we have care leavers who stay in touch with foster carers throughout their lives