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A. Parent of three

B. Parenting styles

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A. Everything happens for a reason

B. Lots of elements involved with a healthy relationship

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Transcript

When I asked Lisa Kruse about her greatest fear, she answered grasshoppers. Now, grasshoppers are not particularly the scariest creature under the sun, but because of past experiences with grasshoppers while growing up in Wall, SD, Lisa Kruse is our high school librarian has become terrified of them. Her welcoming smile, soft spoken voice, and funky styled glasses made it easy for me to interview. her Throughout our conversation we touched on many subjects, but parenthood and her experiences of becoming a mom is what we kept touching back on. Lisa's untraditional parenting start has shaped her into the person she is today, and her motto is "don't sweat the small stuff".

First, Lisa has three children. Her oldest daughter, Meg, is in her 30's, her son is 21, and she also has a young child, Paisley, who is four. Her children are many years apart. And so I had to ask if she has different parenting styles. She said yes. She said she was much stricter with her first two children. However, with Paisley, and I quote, "I think will this matter in five year". When she gave me an example, she said that its about the little things, like if paisley eats her cereal out of her favorite cup it doesn't bother her in a way it would have in the past.

Lisa is also a grandma. Her oldest daughter has several children. And again she said that being a grandmother is so wonderful but very different from being a mom. She continued to discuss that being a grandma is more enjoyable because your not so worried about the little

things. She said her perfect day would be taking a vacation with her entire family, all her children and grandchildren, and enjoying Disney World together.

But it was not always a easy road for Lisa. When she became pregnant with her first child she was only 14. She said she had moved to Rapid City, where her mom lived, and had little to no friends during her pregnancy. She felt very alone. When I asked what advice she has for students who may feel along. She said and “lots of things are just temporary, and a lot of times, especially when your younger you think your situation will go on forever, but you need to remember that there are brighter days ahead”.

Although having a child at such a young age was difficult, she believes that everything happens for a reason. For example, she said that she would not have met her husband now if she hadn't gone through that pregnancy at that particular time. She said that we often look back and regret, but really it all happens for a reason.

When I asked her to describe herself, she said, honest, kind, and generous. Although her life experience may not be traditional, she is the kind and empathetic person she is today because of it. Thank you.