Every person has a different definition of what “family” means to every person. In the past, the only acceptable characterization of a family was nuclear: consisting of a married man and woman and the man’s and the woman’s biological children. The majority of people consider the nuclear family to be the main and traditional family structure. However, as times change, people’s minds change.

Various elements are challenging the nuclear family structure, some of elements are: divorce, homosexuality, couples who choose not to have children, medical technologies and adoption. Without a doubt, divorce, homosexuality, medical technologies and adoption reshape the “family” as we know the family.

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As single women who adopt see adoption, why should they give up on their dream of having a family simply because they haven’t found a life partner with whom to have children? One may question: does a single woman who adopts become a family with her child?
3. Complete the gaps with an appropriate phrase

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4. How do these phrases change the text?
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