

FACT SHEET

The Gagné Family

The Gagnés have four children– two boys, Frédéric and Alexandre, respectively aged 7 and 14 years old , and two girls, Mylène, 12, and Sabrina, 13, who are almost like twins. Benoît Gagné works as a metal polisher at a company in Laval, and his wife Nadine Beaulieu is a stay-at-home mom. They are a very close-knit family.

They are presently living in a flat in Tétreaultville that was built in 1929. The rooms are very small, so small that the hot water tank is in one of the children's rooms. The parents have given over their bedroom to their oldest son, while they sleep in one half of the double living room, separated by curtains. They have renovated the bathroom in an attempt to clean it up. There are only two closets for six people in the whole house! The electrical system is outdated and inefficient; due to its precarious condition, they don't turn on the heating in the bedrooms too often.

Their flat is kept clean and tidy. Nadine is well-organized and looks after the children's schedules and activities, while Benoit works hard at his job all year long. The couple is very preoccupied with the comfort and well-being of their children. The whole family volunteers at a community center in their neighborhood.

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