



Man of the House “Teen Talk” Game:

For those of you who have never been put through the trial—I mean, who haven’t had the privilege—of raising a teenager, please know that their primary mode of communication (aside from text messaging) is to speak in a *mumble*. They mumble, slur their words, and mispronounce things—yet still seem able to understand *each other*. The rest of us, however, are stuck trying to crack the code. Mattel has actually made a game out of this teen talk called Mad Gab®. It’s my nieces’ favorite game—I’m sure Violet would love it too!

And for those who’ve never raised teens, NOR played Mad Gab, it’s an easy game—once you get the hang of it. Here are three examples related to the setting of Ad Hudler’s, ***Man of the House***. **Hint:** it helps to say the clues aloud and slur them together a bit. Just pretend you’re 16 again—but without the zits!

- **Sat Wet Floor Etta** (Answer: Southwest Florida)
- **Tree Sick Tree Jack Her Anne Dust Wreath** (363 Jacaranda Street)
- **Curl Helen** (answer: Girlyland)

So that wasn’t that hard, right? Now you’re ready to try your hand at decoding the following Teen Talk/Mad Gab words representing themes and sayings from ***Man of the House***:

- 1) Call Her A Kid Demi (_____)
- 2) Cattle Offers A Gun Stab Um (_____)
- 3) Dah Zen Drack (_____)
- 4) Dam Anne Fen (_____)
- 5) Dew Wed Darch Annul (_____)
- 6) Her Arcane See Zion (_____)
- 7) Hit Ache Safe Lodge (_____)
- 8) Kalem Sick Laugh (_____)
- 9) Pea Kozi Ced Zoe (_____)
- 10) Phim Ettam Or Faz Oz (_____)
- 11) Prips Kulem Ums (_____)
- 12) Vait Allah Drag Shun (_____)

