Basic Functions of the Family

Match the following family activities with the functions of the family that are being carried out during the activity. Provide five additional functions or activities of the family. Explain your choices below. (Some may have more than one right answer.)

1. Reading a bedtime story
   - A. influencing roles in the community
2. Preparing family meals
   - B. meeting emotional needs
3. Assigning chores to family members
   - C. meeting physical needs
4. Working to fulfill financial needs of the family
   - D. meeting social needs
5. Playing baseball
6. Attending a religious service
7. Teaching a child table manners
8. Providing music, dance or gymnastic lessons for your child
9. Providing medical care for your child
10. Providing encouragement to your child
11. Giving your child a hug and showing him or her affection
12. Purchasing clothing and shoes
13. Saving money for your child’s college expenses
14. Taking a preschool child to the park
15. Redirecting and providing guidance to an appropriate activity
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21. Explain how some of the above activities could fulfill more than one function of the family.

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