

# Romantic Relationships

**In this booklet, we would like to ask you some questions about your romantic life and relationships. Please note that you will NOT have to complete this entire book. Fill out only those sections that apply to you. Remember that your answers are strictly confidential and that you may skip any questions that you do not feel comfortable answering.**

When you think about your **future**, how likely do you think each of the following will be for you?  
**(Circle only one answer for each question.)**

1. getting married.

Will Not Marry Anyone 1	Very Unlikely 2	Somewhat Unlikely 3	Somewhat Likely 4	Very Likely 5	Already Happened 6
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**(GO TO Q. 6)**

2. having a happy, successful marriage.

Very Unlikely 1	Somewhat Unlikely 2	Somewhat Likely 3	Very Likely 4	Already Happened 5
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3. getting divorced.

Very Unlikely 1	Somewhat Unlikely 2	Somewhat Likely 3	Very Likely 4	Already Happened 5
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4. marrying more than once.

Very Unlikely 1	Somewhat Unlikely 2	Somewhat Likely 3	Very Likely 4	Already Happened 5
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5. If you'd like to get married, at what age would you like to (or did you) marry? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

6. If you don't want to get married, would you like to be in a long-term relationship with one person?

Yes 1	No 2	Don't Know 8	Does Not Apply To Me 0
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7. Many people have some concerns or worries about their relationships. When you think about your future relationships, what do you worry about most?

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How likely do you think it is that the following things will happen to you:

8. have children.

Will Not Have Children 1	Very Unlikely 2	Somewhat Unlikely 3	Somewhat Likely 4	Very Likely 5	Already Happened 6
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**(SKIP TO Q. 15)**

9. be a successful parent who raises happy, well-adjusted children.

Very Unlikely 1	Somewhat Unlikely 2	Somewhat Likely 3	Very Likely 4	Already Happened 5
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10. If you'd like to have children, at what age would you like to (or did you) have your first child?  
\_\_\_\_\_ years old

11. How many children do you think you will actually have? \_\_\_\_\_ children  
**(Write in number)**

12. Would you consider having a child if you weren't married?

Yes 1	No 2	Already Happened 3
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13. Do you plan to take time off from work or school to raise your children?

Yes 1	No <b>(GO TO Q. 14)</b> 2
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13a. What age will the youngest be before you go back to work? \_\_\_\_\_ months old  
\_\_\_\_\_ years old

14. How many of your close friends have had children? \_\_\_\_\_ friends  
**(Write in number)**

15. Are you currently or have you ever seriously dated someone from a different racial or ethnic group?

Yes 1	No 2
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16. How important is it to you that you find a partner or spouse of the same racial or ethnic group?

Not at All	A Little	Somewhat	Quite	Very
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Important  
1

Important  
2

Important  
3

Important  
4

Important  
5

For this set of questions, please use the following responses. (**Write a number on each line.**)

**Strongly  
Agree**  
1

**Agree**  
2

**Neither Agree  
nor Disagree**  
3

**Disagree**  
4

**Strongly  
Disagree**  
5

17. How much do you agree with the following statements about marriage and children?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Marriage leads to a fuller life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children from divorced families have lots more problems than children from two-parent families.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is much harder for a woman to be a success at her career if she has children.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marriage leads to a happier life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A woman's career suffers more than a man's when a couple has children.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children always do better if they live with two parents.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children from divorced families can be just as well adjusted and successful as children from two parent families.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Being married is the most important part of a person's life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children are better off if their mothers don't have demanding jobs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children raised by single-parent families can do just as well as children raised by two parent families.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Preschool children are likely to suffer if their mothers work outside the home.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It bothers me to see a man being told what to do by a woman.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Having a career takes away from a woman's relationship with her husband.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If a husband and wife both work full-time, the husband should do half of the housework and child care.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is usually better for everyone involved if the man is the "bread winner" outside of the home and the woman takes care of the home and family.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Swearing and obscenity are more repulsive in the speech of a woman than of a man.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Only men should tell dirty jokes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is insulting to women to have to promise to obey their husbands in the marriage ceremony.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Women who make as much money as their dates should pay half the expenses when they go out together.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A woman should not expect to go to exactly the same places or to have quite the same freedom of action as a man.

\_\_\_\_\_ Women should be encouraged not to have sex with anyone before marriage, even someone they're engaged to.

18. Have you had voluntary sexual intercourse for the first time in the last two years?

Yes  
1

No **(SKIP TO Q. 22)**  
2

19. How old were you the first time you ever had voluntary sexual intercourse? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

19a. How old was your partner? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

19b. Did you use contraception on that first occasion?

Yes  
1

No  
2

20. Think back to the first time you had sex. Did you:

1. Plan for it to happen? **(GO TO Q. 22)**

2. Expect it might happen? **(GO TO Q. 22)**

3. Or did it just happen?

4. Something else (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
**(GO TO Q. 22)**

21. If "it just happened," were you:

1. Forced into it?

2. Pressured into it?

3. Or did you want it to happen?

4. Something else (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

22. When you have had sex, were your partners:

1. All males

2. Mostly males

3. Equal numbers of males and females

4. Mostly females

5. All females

8. Haven't had sex

23. Have you ever been or ever gotten someone pregnant (including current pregnancies and including pregnancies that did not end in a live birth)?

Yes  
1

No **(SKIP TO PAGE 7)**  
2

24. How many times? \_\_\_\_\_ times

Please answer the following questions about the **last** (most recent) pregnancy:

25. When (you/your partner) became pregnant with your last child, (did you want/did you want her) to become pregnant at that time?

Yes  
1

No  
2

25a. How old were you at the time of the last pregnancy? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

26. And what about your partner? Did s/he want the pregnancy at that time?

Yes  
1

No  
2

27. What was the outcome of the last pregnancy?

1. I am/partner is still pregnant
2. Live birth
3. Still birth
4. Miscarriage
5. Abortion

28. How did you feel when you learned about the last pregnancy?

1. Very happy
2. Somewhat happy
3. Somewhat unhappy
4. Very unhappy

29. Did (you/she) consider having an abortion at any time during the last pregnancy?

Yes

No



1

2

Please answer the following questions about the **next to last** pregnancy. **(If you have had only one pregnancy, please SKIP TO PAGE 7.)**

30. When (you/your partner) became pregnant for the next to last time, (did you want/did you want her) to become pregnant at that time?

Yes	No
1	2

30a. How old were you at the time of the next to last pregnancy? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

31. And what about your partner? Did s/he want the pregnancy at that time?

Yes	No
1	2

32. What was the outcome of the next to last pregnancy?

1. I am/partner is still pregnant
2. Live birth
3. Still birth
4. Miscarriage
5. Abortion

33. How did you feel when you learned (you were/she was) pregnant the next to last time?

1. Very happy
2. Somewhat happy
3. Somewhat unhappy
4. Very unhappy

34. Did (you/she) consider having an abortion at any time during the next to last pregnancy?

Yes	No
1	2



**Here are some more questions about your involvement in relationships.**

**Some of you may already be married; others of you may be seriously involved with one person; others of you may be dating several people; and still others of you may not be currently romantically involved with anyone.**

Please describe your current romantic relationship situation. Would you say you are: **(Circle only one and follow the directions.)**

1. Not currently dating anyone – **GO TO PAGE 8**
  
2. Dating more than one person – **GO TO PAGE 8**
  
3. Dating (but not living with) one person in a serious, committed relationship – **SKIP TO PAGE 11**
  
4. Living with someone in a steady relationship but are **not married** – **SKIP TO PAGE 17**
  
5. Married – **SKIP TO PAGE 23**

**This section is for people who are NOT married, living together, nor involved in a committed relationship.**

35. When you do go out, are your dates:

1. All males
2. Mostly males
3. Equal numbers of males and females
4. Mostly females
5. All females

36. How satisfied are you with your dating life?

Not at all Satisfied							Very Satisfied
1	2	3	4	5	6		7

37. How important is it to you to date regularly?

Not at all Important							Very Important
1	2	3	4	5	6		7

38. How important is it to you to be involved in a steady, committed relationship with one person?

Not at all Important							Very Important
1	2	3	4	5	6		7

39. How many times have you had a live-in relationship with a partner that lasted at least three months (excluding the times you may have been married)?

\_\_\_\_\_ times

40. How many times have you been married?

\_\_\_\_\_ times **(If ZERO times, SKIP TO Q. 53)**

41. In what month and year did your first marriage begin?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)                  \_\_\_\_\_  
(year)

42. How long did you know your first spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

43. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes  
1

No **(GO TO Q. 45)**  
2

44. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

45. In what month and year did your first marriage end?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(year)

46. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce  
1

Separation  
2

Annulment  
3

Death  
4

47. In what month and year did your second marriage begin? **(If married only once, SKIP TO Q. 53)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(year)

48. How long did you know your second spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

49. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes  
1

No  
2

50. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

51. In what month and year did your second marriage end?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(year)

52. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce  
1

Separation  
2

Annulment  
3

Death  
4

53. For this set of questions, please use the following responses. (Write a number on each line.)

<b>Strongly Disagree</b>			<b>Neither Agree nor Disagree</b>			<b>Strongly Agree</b>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

You have told us you are not in a serious relationship with one person. How much do you agree or disagree with the following reasons for your **not** being in a serious relationship right now?

- \_\_\_\_\_ I am afraid of getting hurt.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm not attracted to people who are attracted to me.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am not willing to compromise in order to meet someone else's demands.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm having a hard time meeting people.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Commitments never last.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I don't have time for someone right now.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dating is more fun than committed relationships.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm too shy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I want to be alone.
- \_\_\_\_\_ My parents had a bad relationship and I don't want to repeat their mistakes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Relationships are a hassle.
- \_\_\_\_\_ My education or career is too important to make sacrifices for a relationship.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have not found anyone who interests me.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm not ready to settle down.
- \_\_\_\_\_ It is too hard to meet good people.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I don't want the responsibility involved in commitment.

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**Congratulations!!!!**  
**You have completed this questionnaire.**

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**This section is for people who are currently involved in a steady, romantic relationship with one person, but are NOT living with that person.**

54. How important is it to you to be involved in a steady, committed relationship with one person? **(Circle a number.)**

Not at all  
Important  
1      2      3      4      5      6      7  
Very  
Important

55. How many times have you had a live-in relationship with a partner that lasted at least three months (excluding the times you may have been married)?

\_\_\_\_\_ times

56. How many times have you been married?

\_\_\_\_\_ times **(If ZERO times, SKIP TO Q. 69)**

57. In what month and year did your first marriage begin?

\_\_\_\_ (month)      \_\_\_\_ (year)

58. How long did you know your first spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

59. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes                      No **(GO TO Q. 61)**  
1                              2

60. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

61. In what month and year did your first marriage end?

\_\_\_\_ (month)      \_\_\_\_ (year)

62. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce  
1

Separation  
2

Annulment  
3

Death  
4

63. In what month and year did your second marriage begin? **(If married only once, SKIP TO Q. 69)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)            (year)

64. How long did you know your second spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

65. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes	No
1	2

66. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

67. In what month and year did your second marriage end?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)            (year)

68. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce	Separation	Annulment	Death
1	2	3	4

**Please answer the following questions about your current romantic partner.**

69. How long have you been dating your partner?

\_\_\_\_\_ years    \_\_\_\_\_ months

70. How old is your current partner? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

71. My partner is a :

Male                      Female  
1                              2

72. Has your current partner ever been married?

Yes                              No  
1                                      2

73. What is the highest grade in school your partner completed?

Grade:            6        7        8        9        10        11        12 **(GO TO Q. 75)**  
Years of College: 1        2        3        4

74. What degree, if any, did s/he receive? \_\_\_\_\_ degree

\_\_\_

75. Please check all that apply. Is s/he currently:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed full-time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed part-time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed and looking for work
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed and NOT looking for work
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unable to work
- \_\_\_\_\_ In school or college
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_

76. If employed, how long has s/he been at his/her present job?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

77. What is his/her main occupation or job title? \_\_\_\_\_

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78. If in school, what is his/her major? \_\_\_\_\_

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79. How likely is it that you and your partner will still be together five years from now?

Very Unlikely			Unlikely		Likely		Very Likely
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

80. How likely is it that you will marry or live with your partner?

Very Unlikely			Unlikely		Likely		Very Likely
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

81. During the past few months, how often have you discussed or seriously considered breaking up with your partner?

Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Almost Always
1	2	3	4	5

82. Do your parents know your partner?

Yes	No <b>(SKIP TO Q. 84)</b>
1	2

83. How much do your parents approve of your partner?

Not At All	A Little	Somewhat	Very Much
1	2	3	4

84. How often do the following things happen with your partner?

	<b>Almost Never</b>	<b>Less Than Once a Month</b>	<b>1-3 Times a Month</b>	<b>About Once a Week</b>	<b>A Few Times a Week</b>	<b>Almost Every Day</b>
a) You talk to your partner about how things are going with your parents.	1	2	3	4	5	6
b) You talk with your partner about your plans for the future.	1	2	3	4	5	6
c) You talk with your partner about problems you are having at work or school.	1	2	3	4	5	6
d) You and your partner talk about how things are going in your life.	1	2	3	4	5	6

e) You talk with your partner about your racial/ethnic group and how it affects your life. 1 2 3 4 5 6

85. How happy are you with your relationship with your partner?

Very Unhappy			Unhappy		Happy		Very Happy
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

86. How often do you wish you had a better relationship with your partner?

Almost Never		Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Almost Always
1	2	3	4	5	

87. How often do you and your partner do things together that you enjoy?

Almost Never	Less Than Once a Month	1-3 Times a Month	About Once a Week	A Few Times a Week	Almost Every Day
1	2	3	4	5	6

88. How much do you want to be like the kind of person he/she is?

Not at All	Just a Little	Quite a Bit	A Lot
1	2	3	4

89. How much do you respect him/her?

Not at All	Just a Little	Quite a Bit	A Lot
1	2	3	4

90. How close do you feel to him/her?

Not Very Close	Fairly Close	Quite Close	Extremely Close
1	2	3	4

91. **During the past month**, how often did your partner...

	Never	Once or Twice	3 or 4 Times	A Couple of Times a Week	Almost Every Day
a) let you know he/she really cares about you?	1	2	3	4	5
b) criticize you or your ideas?	1	2	3	4	5
c) hit, push, grab or shove you?	1	2	3	4	5
d) put his/her needs ahead of your needs?	1	2	3	4	5
e) yell at you?	1	2	3	4	5
f) help you to do something that is important to you?	1	2	3	4	5
g) help you to feel good about yourself?	1	2	3	4	5



- h) throw something at you?                    1                    2                    3                    4                    5
- i) threaten you with a knife or gun?        1                    2                    3                    4                    5

92. My partner encourages me to give my ideas and opinions even if we might disagree.

Almost Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Almost Always
1	2	3	4	5

My partner is a person who...

93. changes the subject whenever I have something to say.

Not Like Him/Her		Somewhat Like Him/Her		A Lot Like Him/Her
1	2	3	4	5

94. often interrupts me.

Not Like Him/Her		Somewhat Like Him/Her		A Lot Like Him/Her
1	2	3	4	5

95. acts like he/she knows what I'm thinking or feeling.

Not Like Him/Her		Somewhat Like Him/Her		A Lot Like Him/Her
1	2	3	4	5

96. would like to be able to tell me how to feel or think about things all the time.

Not Like Him/Her		Somewhat Like Him/Her		A Lot Like Him/Her
1	2	3	4	5

97. is always trying to change how I feel or think about things.

Not Like Him/Her		Somewhat Like Him/Her		A Lot Like Him/Her
1	2	3	4	5

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**Congratulations!!!!**  
**You have completed this questionnaire.**

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**This section is for those people who are living with someone in a steady, romantic relationship, but are NOT married to that person.**

98. How important is it to you to be involved in a steady, committed relationship with one person? **(Circle a number.)**

Not at all  
Important  
1      2      3      4      5      6      7  
Very  
Important

99. How many times have you had a live-in relationship with a partner that lasted at least three months **(excluding** the times you may have been married)?

\_\_\_\_\_ times

100. How many times have you been married?

\_\_\_\_\_ times **(If ZERO times, SKIP TO Q. 113)**

101. In what month and year did your first marriage begin?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)      (year)

102. How long did you know your first spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

103. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes                      No **(SKIP TO Q. 105)**  
1                              2

104. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

105. In what month and year did your first marriage end?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(month)      (year)

106. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce  
1

Separation  
2

Annulment  
3

Death  
4

107. In what month and year did your second marriage begin? **(If married only once, SKIP TO Q. 113)**

                
(month)      (year)

108. How long did you know your second spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

109. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes                      No **(GO TO Q. 111)**  
1                              2

110. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

111. In what month and year did your second marriage end?

                
(month)      (year)

112. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce                      Separation                      Annulment                      Death  
1                              2                              3                              4

**Please answer the following questions about your current live-in partner.**

113. How long have you lived with your partner?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

114. How long did you know your partner before you began living together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

115. How old is your current partner? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

116. My partner is a :

Male                      Female  
1                              2

117. Has your current partner ever been married?

Yes                              No  
1                                      2

118. What is the highest grade in school your partner completed?

Grade: 6      7      8      9      10      11      12 **(SKIP TO Q. 120)**  
Years of College: 1      2      3      4

119. What degree, if any, did s/he receive? \_\_\_\_\_ degree

\_\_\_

120. Please check all that apply. Is s/he currently:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed full-time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed part-time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed and looking for work
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed and NOT looking for work
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unable to work
- \_\_\_\_\_ In school or college
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_

121. If employed, how long has s/he been at his/her present job?

\_\_\_\_\_ years      \_\_\_\_\_ months

122. What is his/her main occupation or job title? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_

123. If in school, what is his/her major? \_\_\_\_\_

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124. How likely is it that you and your partner will still be together five years from now?

Very Unlikely			Unlikely		Likely		Very Likely
1	2		3	4	5	6	7

125. How likely is it that you will marry your partner?

Very Unlikely			Unlikely		Likely		Very Likely
1	2		3	4	5	6	7

126. During the past few months, how often have you discussed or seriously considered breaking up with your partner?

Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Almost Always
1	2	3	4	5

127. Do your parents know your partner?

Yes	No <b>(SKIP TO Q. 129)</b>
1	2

128. How much do your parents approve of your partner?

Not at All	A Little	Somewhat	Very Much
1	2	3	4

129. How often do the following things happen with your partner?

	<b>Almost Never</b>	<b>Less Than Once a Month</b>	<b>1-3 Times a Month</b>	<b>About Once a Week</b>	<b>A Few Times a Week</b>	<b>Almost Every Day</b>
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e) You talk with your partner about	1	2	3	4	5	6



your racial/ethnic group and  
how it affects your life.

130. How do you feel about living with your partner?

Very Unhappy		Unhappy		Happy		Very Happy
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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135. How close do you feel to him/her?

Not Very Close	Fairly Close	Quite Close	Extremely Close
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136. **During the past month**, how often did your partner:

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c) hit, push, grab or shove you?	1	2	3	4	5
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e) yell at you?	1	2	3	4	5
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**This section is for those people who are married.**

143. How important is it to you to be involved in a steady, committed relationship with one person? **(Circle a number.)**

Not at all Important							Very Important
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

144. How many times have you had a live-in relationship with a partner that lasted at least three months (excluding the times you may have been married)?

\_\_\_\_\_ times

145. How many times have you been married?

\_\_\_\_\_ times

146. In what month and year did your first marriage begin?

\_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
(month)      (year)

147. How long did you know your first spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

148. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes	No <b>(SKIP TO Q. 150)</b>
1	2

149. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

150. Did the first marriage end?

Yes	No <b>(SKIP TO Q. 157)</b>
1	2

151. In what month and year did your first marriage end?

\_\_\_\_ (month)      \_\_\_\_ (year)

152. Was the marriage ended by:

Divorce                      Separation                      Annulment                      Death  
1                                      2                                      3                                      4

153. In what month and year did your second marriage begin?

\_\_\_\_ (month)      \_\_\_\_ (year)

154. How long did you know your second spouse before you were married?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

155. Did you live together before you were married?

Yes                                      No **(GO TO Q. 157)**  
1    2

156. How long did you live together?

\_\_\_\_\_ months

**Please answer the following questions about your current husband/wife.**

157. How old is your spouse?

\_\_\_\_\_ years old

158. Has your spouse ever been married before?

Yes                                      No  
1    2

159. What is the highest grade in school your spouse completed?

Grade: 6      7      8      9      10      11      12 **(GO TO Q. 161)**

Years of College: 1      2      3      4

160. What degree, if any, did s/he receive? \_\_\_\_\_ degree

161. Please check all that apply. Is s/he currently:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed full-time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Employed part-time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed and looking for work

\_\_\_\_\_ Unemployed and NOT looking for work

\_\_\_\_\_ Unable to work

\_\_\_\_\_ In school or college

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



162. If employed, how long has s/he been at his/her present job?  
\_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months

163. What is his/her main occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

164. If in school, what is his/her major? \_\_\_\_\_

165. How likely is it that you and your spouse will still be together five years from now?

Very Unlikely                      Unlikely                      Likely                      Very Likely  
1                      2                      3                      4                      5                      6                      7

166. How likely is it that you and your spouse will ever get separated or divorced?

Very Unlikely                      Unlikely                      Likely                      Very Likely  
1                      2                      3                      4                      5                      6                      7

167. During the past few months, how often have you discussed or seriously considered breaking up with your spouse?

Never                      Rarely                      Occasionally                      Frequently                      Almost Always  
1                      2                      3                      4                      5

168. Do your parents know your spouse?

Yes                      No (SKIP TO Q. 170)  
1                      2

169. How much do your parents approve of your spouse?

Not at All                      A Little                      Somewhat                      Very Much  
1                      2                      3                      4

170. How often do the following things happen with your spouse?

	<b>Almost Never</b>	<b>Less Than Once a Month</b>	<b>1-3 Times a Month</b>	<b>About Once a Week</b>	<b>A Few Times a Week</b>	<b>Almost Every Day</b>
a) You talk to your spouse about how things are going with your parents.	1	2	3	4	5	6
b) You talk with your spouse about your plans for the future.	1	2	3	4	5	6
c) You talk with your spouse about problems you are having at work or school.	1	2	3	4	5	6
d) You and your spouse talk about how things are going in your life.	1	2	3	4	5	6

e) You talk with your spouse about your racial/ethnic group and how it affects your life. 1 2 3 4 5 6

171. How do you feel about being married to your spouse?

Very Unhappy                      Unhappy                      Happy                      Very Happy  
1                      2                      3                      4                      5                      6                      7

172. How often do you wish you had a better relationship with your spouse?

Almost Never                      Rarely                      Occasionally                      Frequently                      Almost Always  
1                      2                      3                      4                      5

173. How often do you and your spouse do things together that you enjoy?

Almost                      Less Than                      1-3 Times                      About Once                      A Few Times                      Almost  
Never                      Once a Month                      a Month                      a Week                      a Week                      Every Day  
1                      2                      3                      4                      5                      6

174. How much do you want to be like the kind of person he/she is?

Not at All                      Just a Little                      Quite a Bit                      A Lot  
1                      2                      3                      4

175. How much do you respect him/her?

Not at All                      Just a Little                      Quite a Bit                      A Lot  
1                      2                      3                      4

176. How close do you feel to him/her?

Not Very Close                      Fairly Close                      Quite Close                      Extremely Close  
1                      2                      3                      4

177. **During the past month**, how often did your spouse....

	<b>Never</b>	<b>Once or Twice</b>	<b>3 or 4 Times</b>	<b>A Couple of Times a Week</b>	<b>Almost Every Day</b>
a) let you know he/she really cares about you?	1	2	3	4	5
b) criticize you or your ideas?	1	2	3	4	5
c) hit, push, grab or shove you?	1	2	3	4	5
d) put his/her needs ahead of your needs?	1	2	3	4	5
e) yell at you?	1	2	3	4	5
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