

***Marriage and Family The Quest for Intimacy 9th  
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**Chapter 2 Diversity in Families**

- 1) Which of the following best describes the term "family"?
- A) a unit composed of a husband, a wife, and their immediate children
  - B) a unit consisting of a husband, a wife, their biological children, and stepchildren
  - C) a group united by marriage, blood, and/or adoption in order to satisfy intimacy needs and/or bear and socialize children
  - D) None of these answers are correct.

Answer: C

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- 2) In the context of the variability of family life, identify a true statement about the variability among societies.
- A) People everywhere are extremely different.
  - B) People everywhere need intimate relations and form family units to fulfill some of their intimacy needs.
  - C) People everywhere are naturally promiscuous.
  - D) People everywhere must be married in order to be happy.

Answer: B

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- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ is the marriage of a man to two or more wives.
- A) Polygamy
  - B) Polyandry
  - C) Polygyny
  - D) Endogamy

Answer: C

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- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ is the marriage of a woman to two or more husbands.
- A) Polygamy
  - B) Polyandry
  - C) Polygyny
  - D) Exogamy

Answer: B

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- 5) Which of the following best describes monogamy?
- A) marriage of a woman to two or more women
  - B) union of a man with two or more men
  - C) marriage of one person to two or more people of the opposite sex
  - D) union with one person at a time

Answer: D

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- 6) In the case of divorce, which of the following is true about single-parent families?
- A) The child has no contact with the other parent.
  - B) The child lives primarily with one parent.
  - C) This family is a permanent arrangement.
  - D) None of these answers are correct.

Answer: B

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- 7) Single parents are likely to face three kinds of overload. Which of the following is NOT one of these?
- A) responsibility
  - B) task
  - C) emotional
  - D) spiritual

Answer: D

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- 8) Overall, \_\_\_\_\_ households have higher rates of poverty than any other group.
- A) single-father
  - B) single-mother
  - C) remarried female-headed
  - D) remarried male-headed

Answer: B

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- 9) \_\_\_\_\_ overload arises from the fact that one parent must do the work of two parents.
- A) Task
  - B) Responsibility
  - C) Emotional
  - D) Spiritual

Answer: A

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10) Donna is a single mother who spends her nonworking hours meeting the needs of her two small children, Betty and Tom. She feels that she has no time for her friends, her hobbies, or for dating. In this scenario, Donna is most likely to experience \_\_\_\_\_ overload.

- A) responsibility
- B) task
- C) emotional
- D) spiritual

Answer: C

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11) According to Hildebrandt and Kelber (2005), single, employed mothers, who are likely to have less time for personal care and leisure activities than either the nonemployed single mother or the mother in a two-parent home, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) report particularly high levels of distress
- B) are highly unlikely to have an intimacy deficit
- C) tend to avoid the closeness of an adult relationship
- D) are less likely to seek professional help for mental health problems

Answer: A

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12) Emotional overload tends to occur when a single parent:

- A) has to divide time between a dating partner and the children.
- B) is dating more than one person at the same time.
- C) neglects his or her personal needs.
- D) neglects his or her children's needs.

Answer: C

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13) Nadine is a single parent who spends most of her time either working, doing household chores, or taking care of her children. She seldom socializes with friends or engages in recreation. This is likely to result in:

- A) a lowered conflict rate in the family.
- B) better mental health.
- C) great achievement by her children.
- D) an intimacy deficit.

Answer: D

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14) Who among the following is most likely to have high rates of antisocial behavior?

- A) children of stepparents
- B) children of two-parent families
- C) children of single parents
- D) All of these answers are correct.

Answer: C

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15) Children of single parents are more likely to be \_\_\_\_\_ than children of two-parent families.

- A) affluent
- B) depressed
- C) creative
- D) highly successful

Answer: B

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16) Which of the following terms is best described as the sense of emotional bonding that family members have toward each other?

- A) integration
- B) cohabitation
- C) cohesion
- D) fidelity

Answer: C

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17) According to Caspi et al. (1998) and Brown (2002), identify a true statement about children in single-parent homes.

- A) They are less likely to achieve higher levels of education, occupation, and income.
- B) They tend to feel greater cohesion when the mother is unemployed than when she is working.
- C) They report more support, control, and punishment from their fathers than do other children.
- D) They are likely to have more material resources than children who live with both biological parents.

Answer: A

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18) Most single-parent families are headed by:

- A) a stepparent.
- B) a mother.
- C) a father.
- D) either a mother or a father.

Answer: B

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19) According to Meadows (2009), which of the following statements is most likely true about single fathers?

- A) They are unable to love their children as single mothers do.
- B) They have more mental health problems than do married fathers.
- C) They are less likely than single mothers to raise children who have high rates of substance abuse.
- D) They spend significantly more time caring for their children than do single mothers.

Answer: B

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20) Identify a reason why most people become single parents.

- A) because of personal choice
- B) because of separation, divorce, or death
- C) due to an easily identifiable life's mistake
- D) None of these answers are correct.

Answer: B

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21) Who among the following has the highest proportion of people who are divorced or who have never married?

- A) whites
- B) Hispanics
- C) Asians
- D) African Americans

Answer: D

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22) Which of the following factors has most likely affected the "black marriage crisis," the continuing decline in the rate and quality of black marriages?

- A) devaluation of family
- B) high unemployment rates of black males
- C) aversion to children
- D) unequal division of labor in black families

Answer: B

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23) Which of the following suggests that much of the segregation and discrimination experienced by African Americans is rooted in the competition between racial groups for economic and political advantage?

- A) conflict theory
- B) systems theory
- C) exchange theory
- D) symbolic interactionist theory

Answer: A

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24) Kamo and Cohen (1998) found that black couples, compared with white couples, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) are more uncertain that their children add satisfaction to their lives
- B) are less likely to exhibit a high degree of cooperation and shared decision making
- C) are less likely to expect mutual aid among extended family members
- D) are more egalitarian in the sharing of household tasks

Answer: D

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25) Unlike white women, black women \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) have a more consistent history of being employed outside the home
- B) provide a significantly small proportion of their income to their families
- C) provide more education but less income to their families
- D) are less likely to work full-time

Answer: A

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26) Which of the following is NOT one of the factors for the strengths of black single parents?

- A) higher incomes than white single parents
- B) greater extended family support among African Americans than white single parents
- C) the way children are viewed
- D) a greater acceptance of single parenthood than white single parents

Answer: A

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27) Parenting in Hispanic families reflects four cultural values. Which of the following best describes the value "*personalismo*"?

- A) It emphasizes family values and family well-being more than individual desires.
- B) It is respect for, and responsibility toward, elders.
- C) It refers to the value of harmony in relationships.
- D) It is a value on individual character and inner qualities.

Answer: D

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28) Identify a true statement about the Hispanic family.

- A) Hispanics are less likely than either African Americans or whites to be divorced.
- B) A higher proportion of Hispanics than any other group believe that children are very important for a successful marriage.
- C) Hispanics are less geographically mobile than are non-Hispanic whites.
- D) All of these answers are correct.

Answer: D

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29) According to the studies conducted by Zinn and Wells (2000) and Pinto and Coltrane (2009), identify a true statement about Hispanic families in the United States.

- A) The families consist primarily of a dominating wife and mother.
- B) Hispanic fathers become unquestioned authority figures, while wives and children are subservient and passive.
- C) The studies fail to show a pattern of male dominance.
- D) None of these answers are correct.

Answer: C

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30) A study of Asian Americans from a number of different countries of origin reported three factors that help account for the high level of educational attainment. Which of the following is NOT one of these factors?

- A) Children are subjected to extremely harsh physical discipline.
- B) Children are expected to defer to parental authority without question.
- C) There is a strong interdependence among family members, both within and beyond the nuclear unit.
- D) Children are reared to believe that their success in school will affect the honor of their family directly.

Answer: A

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31) In the context of the Asian American family, \_\_\_\_\_ emphasizes that the children of Chinese immigrants are struggling with how to establish their own identity while remaining a part of their family, a struggle that is more painful because of the contradiction between U.S. and traditional Chinese values.

- A) exchange theory
- B) systems theory
- C) symbolic interactionist theory
- D) conflict theory

Answer: B

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32) Suppose that we trace a person's lineage through his or her mother, grandmother, and so on. This reflects a \_\_\_\_\_ pattern of descent tracing.

- A) matrilineal
- B) patrilineal
- C) bilinear
- D) bilateral

Answer: A

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34) Marriage between people who are similar in social and demographic characteristics is known as:

- A) heterogamy.
- B) monogamy.
- C) polygamy.
- D) homogamy.

Answer: D

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35) Marriage between people who are dissimilar in social and demographic characteristics is known as:

- A) heterogamy.
- B) bigamy.
- C) polyandry.
- D) homogamy.

Answer: A

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36) Same-sex couples:

- A) are more readily accepted than interracial families.
- B) face entirely different adjustment issues than do heterosexual couples.
- C) have to work through the same problems as heterosexual couples.
- D) were increasingly accepted from the 1970s to 1980s.

Answer: C

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37) The irrational fear of homosexuality is called:

- A) homophobia.
- B) hemophilia.
- C) misogyny.
- D) homoaversion.

Answer: A

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38) Which of the following is a result of an interesting longitudinal study conducted by Tasker and Golombok (1997) to compare children raised by lesbian couples and single heterosexual mothers?

- A) There were significant differences between the two groups in their acceptance of their family identity during adolescence.
- B) The children reared by lesbian parents had been traumatized by their family situation when they were adolescents.
- C) Problems did arise for those who were stigmatized by their peers and those who felt that their mothers were too open about their lesbian identity in front of their friends.
- D) All of these answers are correct.

Answer: C

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39) A survey of 55 gay or bisexual men found that:

- A) more than 90 percent of their sons were heterosexual.
- B) a majority of children raised in lesbian families identified themselves as homosexual.
- C) children whose mothers came out as lesbians showed little loyalty to them afterwards.
- D) children raised by same-sex parents were psychologically less healthy.

Answer: A

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