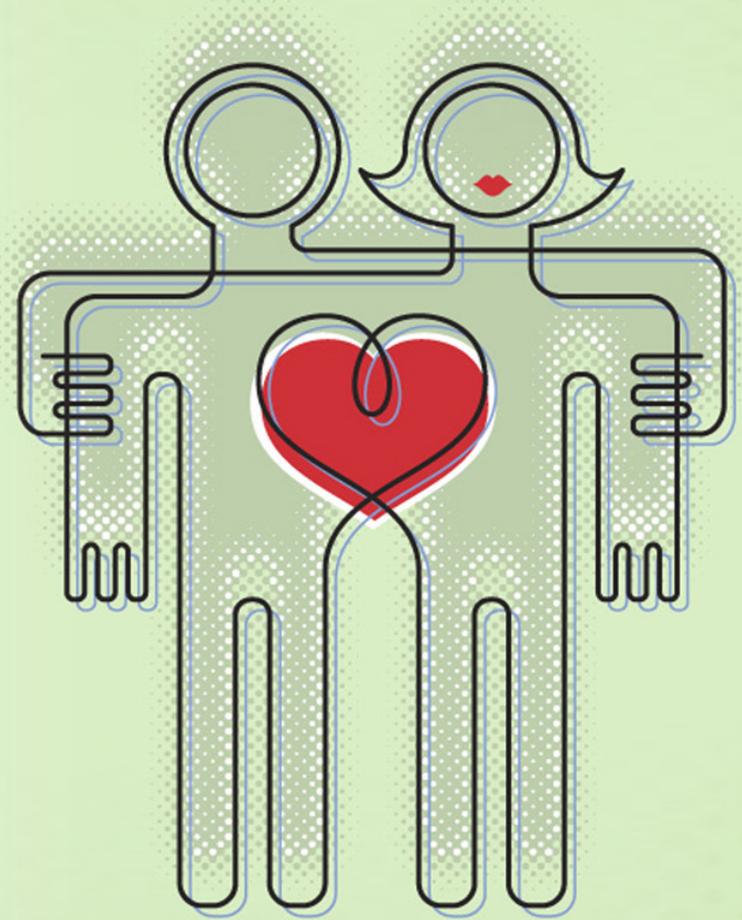


# MARITAL RISKS



# MARRIAGE RISKS

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Too young

- Biggest Risk is when the Girl is under 20

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Poor self-concept

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One or both may have unaddressed personality or behavior problems

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Parents are divorced or have a poor relationship

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## Premarital Pregnancy



# MARRIAGE RISKS

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Different Religious beliefs

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Different values and  
cultural background

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Parents disapprove

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## Not discussing important topics



# The Three T's

## *Time*

*Knowing the person for a minimum of two years doubles the success rate of marriages*

## *Togetherness*

*Being together and observing each other in different contexts*

## *Talking*

*Points of Discussion*

# Opposite Families . . .

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## ***How is attention given?***

- Do children get too much? (spoiled)
- Too little? (neglected)

## ***How territorial are they?***

- Is ownership respected?
- Do they share well?

## ***What are the role definitions?***

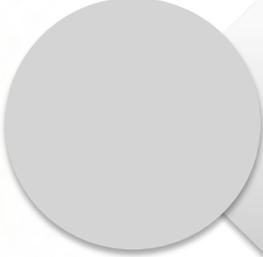
*Does mom stay home?*

*Does dad help with household chores?*

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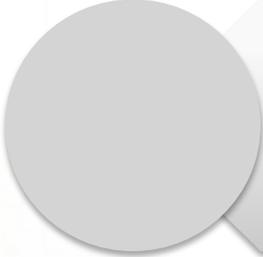
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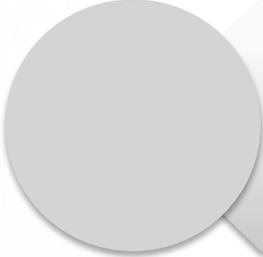
## ***How we express affection and anger***

- How does his/her family show affection?
- How does his/her family express anger?
- What is the overall mood or atmosphere in the home



## ***How is Authority Handled? (Who's in charge)***

- Authoritarian—Overly Strict
- Permissive—To Lenient

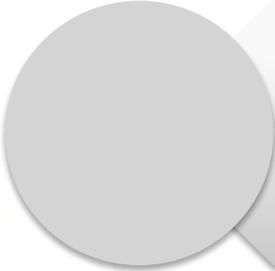


## ***How is Responsibility Handed out?***

- Do kids have to do everything? Nothing?
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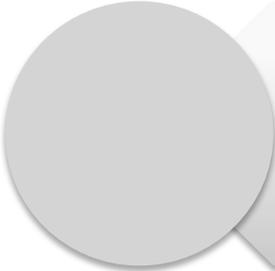
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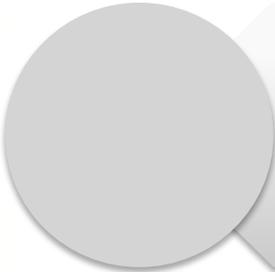
***How is his/her relationship with the parent of the same sex?***

- Shapes Identity
- Models how to treat spouse



***How is their relationship of opposite sex parent?***

- How you view a spouse



You are not looking for someone with a perfect family, but it is important to analyze how your future spouse will be affected by their family.

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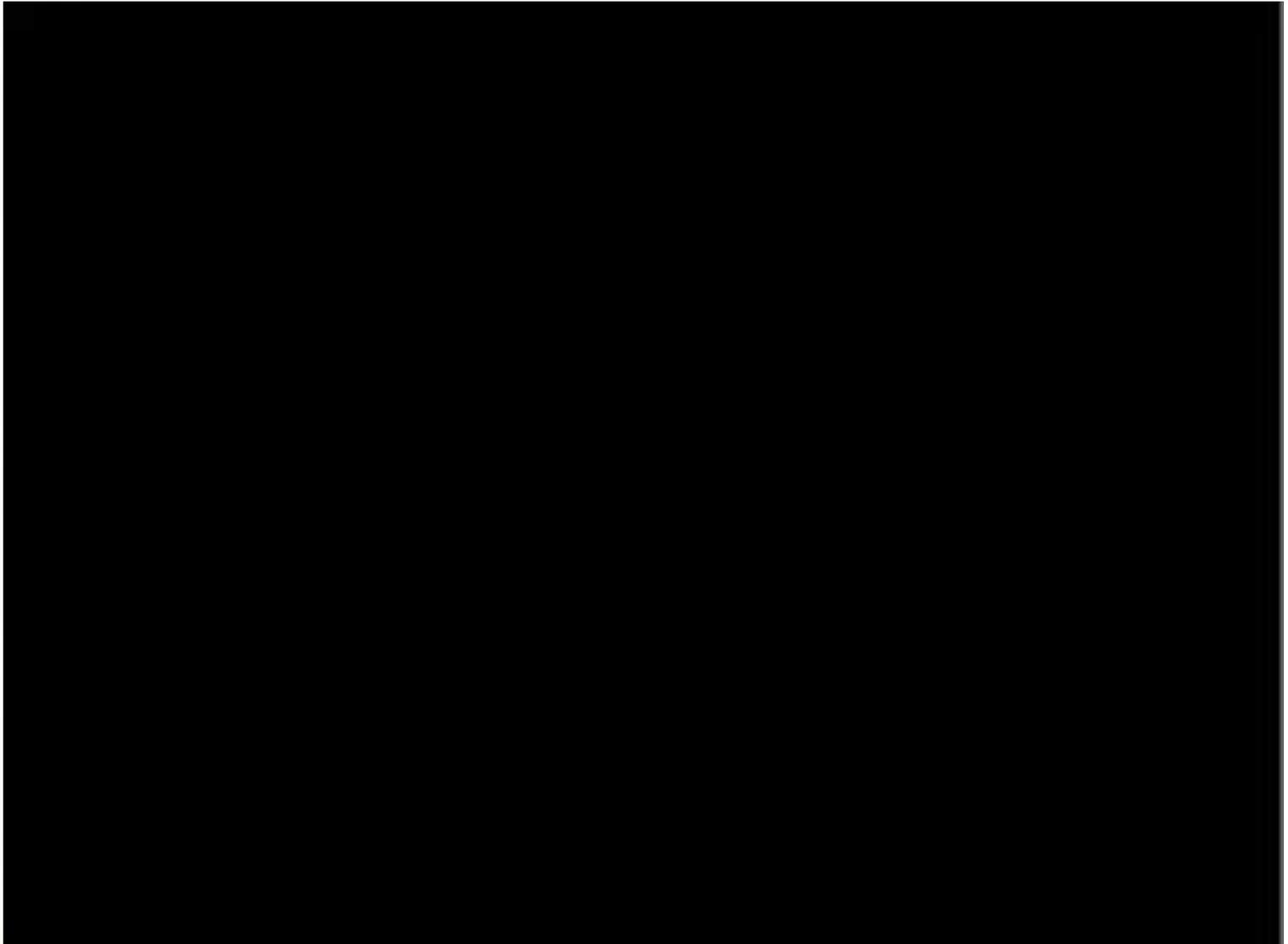
## Living together before marriage



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Couple has unrealistic expectations

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# CAN A PERSON CHANGE?

- Yes, but it takes . . .
    - Effort
    - Insight
      - Into what they want to change and why
    - New Information
      - How to do things differently
    - Time
    - And is always much easier before marriage
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