

Gender, Sex and Culture
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Quiz #20

Why We Cheat

1. In what ways is sexual infidelity one of humanity's greatest obsessions?
2. T/F All animals are far from being monogamous 100% of the time.
3. T/F Despite the odds, humans are capable of sexual fidelity.
4. What characteristics have been associated with those who cheat?
a. desire to feel special again b. narcissistic c. pursuer d. intelligent
e. unhappy in home relationship f. young g. midlife h. mentally healthy
5. What percent of men cheat? Why is it so difficult to obtain accurate data on the numbers of cheaters?
6. Is sex that doesn't involve full intercourse without a condom cheating?
7. T/F Couples can vary in their definition of what they consider cheating.
8. What are the reproductive advantages and disadvantages to cheating?

America's Fidelity Crisis

1. How is American culture a culture of contradictions?
2. Were Mark Foley's behaviors different from other beltway politicians?
3. How has male-male sexuality been expressed in other times and in other cultures?
4. T/F Prior to the 1970s the sexual affairs of men in power were never exposed by the press.

5. Which 1988 presidential candidate was so hounded by the press that he gave up his bid for the presidency?
6. Who was Paula Jones?
7. During the Zippergate investigations who offered a million dollars to anyone willing to divulge the sexual secrets of the nations high-ranking Republicans?
8. T/F Jesse Jackson fathered an out-of-wedlock child.
9. Why was Bill Clinton ashamed to tell the truth?
9. Do we expect our children to tell the truth? Why?
10. Why is there a gap between what Americans what know they ought to do and what they actually engage in regards to extra-marital affairs?
11. How did the Mark Foley scandal differ from Zippergate? Do you believe this scandal impacted voter decisions in the November 2006 elections?
12. What impact has media exposure of the extra-marital activities of Eliot Spitzer and John Edwards had on their careers?

Who Cheats and Why?

1. In what ways were the respondents to this survey not representative of the general population?
2. What activities were considered cheating by the majority of respondents?
3. Who are the three parties in a cheating triangle?

4. T/F Females are most likely to cheat when they are younger while males are most likely to cheat when they are older.
5. T/F Younger cheaters are most likely to cheat for attention.
6. T/F Older women are most likely to cheat for companionship.
7. T/F Females who have been cheated on are most troubled by the possibility that their partner will have a child with someone else.
8. T/F Older cheaters are most likely to report that they cheat to feel more alive.
9. Who believes that people cheat because they can get away with it? (pick two)
 - a. People under 35
 - b. males
 - c. females
 - d. people 36 and over
10. T/F Females are much more likely to consider kissing cheating than men are.
11. T/F Women enjoy being secret lovers more than men do.
12. Why might there be a difference between Gen X and Gen Y regarding their attitudes towards cheating?
13. Why do men tend to enjoy cheating more than women?