

Quiz #8

Mothers and Others

1. What are *allomothers*? What are some examples of people who might engage in this role?
2. What is *partible paternity*? Which tribes practice this?
3. What might be the survival advantages to children whose parents believe in *partible paternity*?
4. Amongst foraging societies how important are grandmothers to the survival of their grandchildren?
5. How soon after a baby is born should the mother go back to work?

Marriage and Relationships

1. What do you consider the advantages and disadvantages of marriage today?
2. What considerations might Pleistocene men have made in selecting their partners?
3. T/F Men value chastity in a partner more than women do.
4. T/F As men get older they seek younger and younger wives.

5. T/F Generally men prefer the thought of having greater numbers of sexual partners than women do.
6. T/F Women are more likely to overestimate a partner's commitment to them.
7. T/F Men are likely to overestimate women's sexual interest in them.
8. T/F Men and women across the world have similar hopes and desires regarding what they seek from each other in a relationship?
9. What is more upsetting to you, sexual infidelity or emotional infidelity?
10. What is dowry?
11. What is bridewealth? (brideprice)
12. What is fraternal polyandry and why is it so rare?
13. Compare and contrast **parenting effort** and **mating effort**.
14. Why might a Hadza man devote time to caring for stepchildren?
15. Why are maternal grandmothers most likely to devote time to caring for their grandchildren?
16. Why do parents commit infanticide?
17. T/F Adoption is common amongst primates.
18. How do adoptions in Oceania and the U.S. differ?
19. What is a sperm war and how might one occur?
20. Why might a woman's regular partner lose in a sperm war?

21. T/F Recent research shows that women are most interested in sex with men who are not their partners/spouses during the follicular stage of their menstrual cycles.
22. T/F When a male bird joins a female to incubate the eggs in her nest he knows that he is the father.
23. What are the three major kinds of sperm in the human male ejaculate?
24. Why were biologists Baker and Bellis interested in the contents of the “wet spot” following sexual intercourse?
25. If the state provided housing, food and childcare assistance to everyone regardless of marital status under what conditions would women marry?

The Five Sexes

1. What is the ISNA?
2. What are the five sexes?
3. A herm is someone with:
 - a. male gonads, female traits, but no female gonads
 - b. female gonads, male traits, but no male gonads
 - c. one male and one female gonad
 - d. a mixture of male and female chromosomes
4. What percent of births are believed to be intersexual? _____
5. T/F Most intersexual babies are subjected to genital surgery.
6. T/F In the 1950s psychologist John Money believed that gender identity was completely malleable for 18 months after birth.
7. What became of “John” who was raised as “Joan?”

8. What are some of the negative consequences of genital reassignment surgeries?
9. T/F Being feminine is only a female characteristic.
10. What do hermaphrodites look like?
11. T/F Hermaphrodites are a recent biological invention.
12. T/F Hermaphrodites are sterile.
13. T/F In the U.S. it is possible to register a new birth as a hermaphrodite.
14. Would you have sex with a hermaphrodite? Would you marry one?
15. T/F Scientific studies have demonstrated that hermaphrodites are doomed to a life of misery.
16. If you/your partner gave birth to an intersexual baby, what would you do?
17. T/F Before surgical interventions were possible most intersexuals ended up in mental institutions and/or committed suicide.
18. If we lived in a world that embraced intersexuality, what would it look like?
19. T/F Ambiguous genitals are prone to infections.
20. T/F 90% of intersexuals are surgically assigned to being female.
21. T/F Clitorectomies are not uncommon treatments for intersexual infants.
22. T/F The ISNA is against all genital surgeries.
23. T/F Surgeons performing on intersex children often charge nothing for their services.
24. What parallels are there between African female genital mutilation surgeries and intersexual genital surgeries?
25. T/F American doctors surmise that it is worse for a “boy” to grow up with a small penis than it is for a “girl” to grow up without ovaries or a clitoris.