

Betty Friedan's 1957 Questionnaire at Smith College

1. What is your marital status?
 - a. Single
 - b. Married
 - c. Divorced
 - d. Widowed
 - e. Remarried

2. How old is your husband?
 - a. Under 20
 - b. 20-30
 - c. 31-40
 - d. 41-50
 - e. 51-60
 - f. 61-70
 - g. Over 70
 - h. Not Applicable

3. Does your husband have a college or graduate degree?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not Applicable

4. Did your husband or does your husband serve in the military?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not Applicable

5. Are you employed?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

6. Do you have a college or graduate degree?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

7. Is your marriage truly satisfying?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not Applicable

8. Do you enjoy being with your husband more than anyone else?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not Applicable

9. To what extent do you talk to your husband about your deepest feelings?
 - a. Never
 - b. All the time
 - c. Depends on my mood
 - d. Not Applicable

10. Have you been interested in another man since marriage?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not Applicable

11. How many children do you have?
 - a. 0
 - b. 1
 - c. 2
 - d. 3
 - e. 4
 - f. 5
 - g. 6

12. What is the gender of your children/child?
 - a. Girl
 - b. Boy
 - c. Both
 - d. Not Applicable

13. Age of your children/child?

- a. 0-5
- b. 5-10
- c. 10-15
- d. 15-20
- e. 20-25
- f. Over 25
- g. Not Applicable

14. Do you have an adopted child?

- a. Yes
- b. No

15. Did you plan your children's birth?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Not Applicable

16. Did you enjoy your pregnancy?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Not Applicable

17. Did you have natural childbirth?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Not Applicable

18. How did you feel about childbirth?

- a. Fear
- b. Take it in stride
- c. Exult in it
- d. Not Applicable

19. As a mother, how do you feel?

- a. Harassed
- b. Contented
- c. Martyred
- d. Not Applicable

20. Where do you live?

- a. City
- b. Small Town
- c. Suburb
- d. Rural

21. How much time do you spend on housework?

- a. Every day
- b. Once a month
- c. A few times a week
- d. I do not do housework

22. Does your husband complain about housework?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Not Applicable

23. Who manages family finances?

- a. Me
- b. My husband
- c. Other

24. Do you worry about money?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Not Applicable

25. Do you have a career ambition?

- a. Yes
- b. No

26. If you work, is it mainly for the money?
a. Yes b. No
27. Do you feel guilty for leaving your children when you work?
a. Yes b. No c. Not Applicable
28. If you do not work, why?
a. My preference d. Not qualified
b. Would feel guilty about kids e. Husband rejects
c. Could not afford full-time help
29. If your main occupation is homemaker, do you find it totally fulfilling?
a. Yes b. No c. Not Applicable
30. Do you vote?
a. Regularly d. Never g. Occasionally
b. National Elections e. National Elections h. Straight Republican
c. Straight Democratic f. Cross party lines
31. Is your politics the same as your husband?
a. Yes b. No c. Not Applicable
32. Are you more or less interested in politics today than in college?
a. More b. Less c. Same
33. Have you or your husband ever run for political office?
a. Yes b. No
34. Do you take an active role in party politics?
a. Yes b. No
35. How would you describe your social life?
a. Business obligations d. Neighbors
b. Good friends from all over e. Mostly your friends
c. Your husband's friends f. Friends you have made as a couple
36. Do you feel life is too fragmented?
a. Yes b. No
37. Are there things you do because everybody else where you live does them, that do not reflect your own individual value?
a. Yes b. No
38. Do you hate getting older?
a. Yes b. No
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