

FRIENDSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

Here are several scenarios involving friends. For each scenario you are asked to give your opinion concerning the appropriateness of the behavior of you or of your Significant Other (i.e., Boyfriend/Girlfriend, Spouse, Co-habitant)

1. Suppose you're Significant Other (S.O.) has a cross-gender friend (i.e., an opposite gender friend) who calls your S.O. on the phone one day. The friend asks if they can talk. Your S.O. visits the friend at the friend's apartment and finds that she/he has been crying. She/He tells your S.O. one of friend's parents is seriously ill and is feeling terrible about the situation. The two talk for about an hour before your S.O. leave.

2. Suppose you have an old cross-gender friend who you haven't seen in over a year. One day he/she calls to tell you that he/she will be in town and would like to meet for dinner. Without checking with your S.O., you agree to meet and then leave a voice mail message for your S.O. telling him/her that you won't be home until later that night.

3. Suppose that you and your S.O. have tickets to a concert, one that your S.O. is really looking

is forward to attending. At the last minute, you can't go because of a crisis that forces you to stay at work. Your S.O. calls her friends and the only one who is free to go with him/her is a cross-gender friend. The two go to the concern together and afterwards go to a Denny's for a late night snack.

4. You have a cross-gender friend who has been going through a hard time. You have been calling every day checking on your friend, often talking for some time (spending time that you would otherwise have been spending with your S.O.).

5. You don't like to dance but your S.O. loves to. The two of you attend a wedding at which are many people you two know including a cross-gender friend of your S.O.. At the reception your seated with people you know. While you talk, your S.O. and the cross-gender friend dance.

6. You have an old cross-gender friend whom you have not seen in some time. You and your S.O. happen to bump into this person at a restaurant. You and your friend hug and kiss.

7. Your S.O.'s cross gender friend has just graduated. Your S.O. sends an expensive (but affordable) gift to the friend.

Now, go back and re-answer the questions but do so replacing cross-gender friend in scenarios with same-gender friend