



Gender Roles



Use as many words as you can to describe a typical “man” and “woman

Man: _____

Woman: _____

Complete the following sentences

Girls' chores typically include domestic chores such as setting the table, helping with the laundry, vacuuming, and loading the dishwasher. Boys' chores typically include _____.

Parents often give gender-differentiated toys to their children such as stuffed animals and Barbie Dolls for girls and _____ for boys.

Children are trained to prefer different colors as well. Girls' rooms are more likely to be pink while boys' rooms are more likely to be _____.

If a girl plays sports she'll likely try gymnastics, dance, or horseback riding. A boy will play _____. Boys and girls are both likely to play soccer at a very young age but most boys will give up soccer for football as they grow up.

Do you find these statements true?

What job would you never do because of your Gender?

Did your parents encourage you to conform to your gender's expectations?

Discussion questions

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1. How do the American gender stereotypes differ from those in your country?
2. Do any of the gender stereotypes bother you?
3. Is it appropriate to encourage boys to wear jeans and girls to wear dresses or skirts?
4. How do gender differences affect the middle and high school lives of boys and girls in your country?
6. Do teachers treat male and female students differently?
7. What are some typical jobs for men and women in your country?
8. What are the typical jobs for men and women of your parents' generation?
9. Are men and women treated equally - and paid equally - at work?
10. Is there a women's rights movement in your country? If there is one, how has it helped or hurt society? If there isn't one, do you think there should be?