A healthy relationship involves two caring people who actively build each other up because they think the world of each other.





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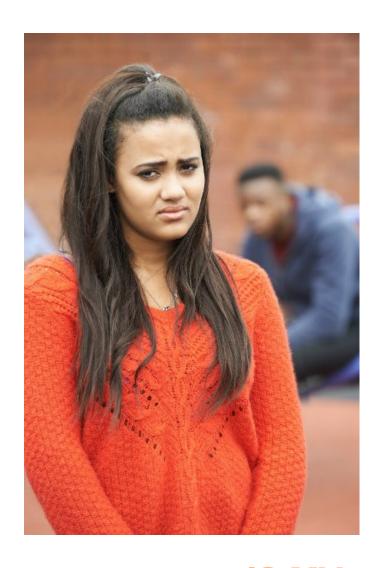
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# IS MY RELATIONSHIP HEALTHY?

Take this simple quiz



Finish each sentence with one response (1-4) that is most like how you feel.

Add up your score at the end of this page.

The way my partner treats me makes me feel:

- 1. Respected
- 2. Okay
- 3. Ashamed
- 4. Smothered

## When we're apart, my partner:

- 1. Trusts me; he is comfortable giving me my space
- Doesn't care what I'm doing and doesn't tell me what he's doing
- 3. Checks up on me afterward to make sure "nothing happened"
- 4. Calls or texts frequently, or drops in on me unannounced

## I feel like my partner:

- 1. Supports me in in my interests
- 2. Doesn't care about me very much
- 3. Might leave me when he finds someone better
- 4. Owns me and keeps me prisoner

#### Early in our relationship:

- My partner took time to learn about me and what I am like, as I did about him
- 2. Just wanted someone to be with
- 3. Started criticizing things about me
- 4. Wanted to rush into serious things like sex, moving in together, etc.

## When we disagree:

- 1. We can talk it out
- 2. He usually clams up and won't talk
- 3. He puts me down and talks about breaking up
- 4. He threatens me and may physically hurt me

## Around my friends or family:

- 1. I feel comfortable talking about my relationship in fact, I enjoy it
- 2. I don't have much to say about my relationship
- I don't want to talk about my relationship because I feel uneasy about it
- 4. I have to hide the truth about my relationship because I am afraid not to

#### When my partner looks at me now:

- 1. I can see he loves me
- 2. He looks bored
- 3. He seems to be looking for something to criticize
- 4. I feel frightened by that one particular look of his

# **Calculate your score:**

Add up the numbers of your answers. (You should get a number from 7 to 28.)

My relationship scores a \_\_\_\_\_.

# What your score says

- **7 8**: Your relationship is healthy; keep up the good work!
- **9 15**: Your relationship lacks true caring. Unless you can both find something to admire and enjoy in each other, you will not find this situation satisfying in the long run.
- **16 20**: Your relationship is unhealthy; your partner is manipulating you, which is emotional abuse. You deserve better, no matter what he tells you. Find a way to break free\* and move on to someone who sees the good in you.
- 21 28: Your relationship is not only unhealthy, but dangerous. You will do well to get away\* from this partner to a safe place where you can begin a new life without fear. Seek help for friends, family, community agencies or even law enforcement.

# \*If you're married—

Marriage is a lifetime commitment. It is worth working on, because it is designed to be a fulfilling and enjoyable relationship. But "working on it" will take some serious changes.

Scoring 9-15 mean you've settled for just being

together, when you could be experiencing much more. Talk to a wise friend, pastor, or counselor for help in bringing new life to your marriage. Marriage retreats can also make a big difference.

Scoring 16 or more means you need professional help to save your marriage. Unless your partner deals with the deep-seated problems causing these destructive behaviors, he will not change. You may need to live apart for a time while you seek healing for the damage already done.