

Name _____

Period _____

CHOOSING A MATE BY MAKING A LIST

Below is a list of possible characteristics you may want in a mate.

- A. Put a 1 to the side of all items that are an absolute **MUST** in a mate.
- B. Put a 2 to the side of any items that are **IMPORTANT** but negotiable.
- C. Put a 3 next to any items you would **LIKE**, but could live without.
- D. Cross out any items you **WOULD NOT WANT** in a spouse.
- E. Add any characteristics not on this list that you feel are **NECESSARY** and assign them a number, as stated above.

- _____ 1. Is friendly and popular with others.
- _____ 2. Shows concern and compassion for others.
- _____ 3. Respects authority.
- _____ 4. Does not use addictive substances such as alcohol or tobacco.
- _____ 5. His/her parents have a happy marriage.
- _____ 6. Does not use drugs.
- _____ 7. Is considered by most to be physically attractive.
- _____ 8. Shows affection appropriately.
- _____ 9. Is thoughtful.
- _____ 10. Attends the same church I do.
- _____ 11. Has same religious beliefs.
- _____ 12. Is not childish.
- _____ 13. Is not moody.
- _____ 14. Uses clean language.
- _____ 15. Is dependable.
- _____ 16. Is responsible for his/her own actions.
- _____ 17. Is good with children.
- _____ 18. Takes care of self, has good grooming practices.
- _____ 19. Is easy to talk to, listens to me, is good at communicating.
- _____ 20. Has interests similar to mine.
- _____ 21. Is in good physical health.
- _____ 22. Is in good mental health.
- _____ 23. Is considerate.
- _____ 24. Has a good relationship with his/her parents.
- _____ 25. Has a sense of humor.
- _____ 26. Deals well with conflict and/or disappointment.
- _____ 27. Is forgiving.
- _____ 28. Is intelligent.
- _____ 29. Has experience working, can hold down a job.
- _____ 30. Has an appropriate amount of schooling.
- _____ 31. Is tidy--keeps things clean and in working order
- _____ 32. My parents approve of her/him.
- _____ 33. The people I respect most think highly of him/her.
- _____ 34. Desires a normal family life.
- _____ 35. Wants children.
- _____ 36. Does not intend to have children.
- _____ 37. Belongs to my race.
- _____ 38. Has a reasonable amount of self-confidence and self-esteem.
- _____ 39. Makes me feel good about myself when we are together.
- _____ 40. Owns or is buying a car or house.