

# M&F Chapter 1- What is a Family?

## Summary

The meaning of marriage and family.  
Functions of marriage and family.  
The effect of media on families.

## Main Core Tie

Adult Roles And Responsibilities

[Strand 4 Standard 4](#)

## Time Frame

2 class periods of 90 minutes each

## Group Size

Large Groups

## Life Skills

Thinking & Reasoning, Communication, Social & Civic Responsibility

## Materials

PowerPoint Projector.

## Background for Teachers

From the book, be able to show students how to draw their own family genograms.

## Student Prior Knowledge

Knowing the pros and cons of media in their own lives.

## Intended Learning Outcomes

Students will understand the huge impact of media on family life today. Students will be able to create their own definition of the meaning of family.

## Instructional Procedures

A PowerPoint presentation on the chapter.  
A discussion of birth order.  
Sharing of family rituals and traditions.  
Print all lesson plans and handouts from the FHS 2400 CD.

## Assessment Plan

Students will have completed the reading tests before coming to class. A final Exam will be given on the chapter.

Educators:

Contact [resources@uen.org](mailto:resources@uen.org) using your education email address if you would like copies of the test / exam for this lesson plan. Be sure to include the Lesson Plan title in your email request.

## Bibliography

The Marriage & Family Experience (8th edition) by Strong

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