

## Desire for Parenthood

1. Do you like children? When you are around children for awhile, how do you feel?
  - Yes, I adore children. When I am around children for awhile it brings my spirits up. As well as, it is so nice to see them grow up.
  - No, I do not like children. They are so annoying and are so much work.
2. What if you have a child and then find out you made the wrong decision?
  - I have a desire to become a parent and nothing will stop that. I will support this child so much. I know that I am ready.
  - That is a possibility, I have a stable job, but my significant other does not have a job, so if we have a child we may be in debt.
3. Are you and your partner both ready to give your time and energy in to raising a little human?
  - My partner and I are totally ready to give our time and energy to raising a little human. We have prepared for this for years.
  - My partner is not ready to give his time and energy, although I am ready.



## Emotional Maturity

1. Is it easy for me to tell others what I want, need, or expect from them?
  - Yes, I am a very open person and I don't hesitate to express my opinions.
  - Sometimes, although, I am a very closed person and like to keep to myself. Also, this is something that my partner struggles with too.
2. Could we share our love with a child without any jealousy?
  - Yes, my partner and I both will love this child endlessly.
  - No, my partner requires a lot of my attention.
3. Do you feel confident enough with yourself to be supportive and loving for your child?
  - Yes, I feel confident with myself and I am able to support and love my child through any situation.
  - No, I do not feel confident and I have some personal issues going on in my life.



## ***Are You Ready for Parenthood!?***

If you want to see if you are ready for parenthood, then answer a few of these questions! If most of your answers are the color purple, then that means you are ready for parenthood and to take the next step! Although, if most of your answers are green, then that means you should take some more time because you are not ready for parenthood.



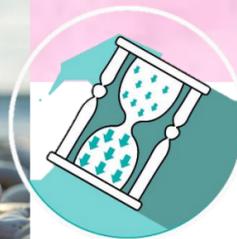
## Health

1. Are you physically and mentally capable of taking on all aspects of childcare?
  - Yes, I am healthy, both mentally and physically.
  - No, I have some health issues I need to address.
2. Would you be providing your child with the right amount of nutrients and healthy foods?
  - Yes, I am very fit and like to eat healthy, so I would provide my child with lots of healthy meals and snacks.
  - Sometimes, I usually eat fast food 3 times a week and the other days that I am not eating out, I usually cook somewhat healthy meals, such as pasta, stir fry or salmon.
3. How would you take care of your child's health and safety?
  - I would put my child's needs first and create a happy safe environment.
  - I would make sure that my child had their vaccinations and I wouldn't let any bad people around them.



## Management Skills

1. Are you and your partner in a stable relationship? Do you feel the same way about having children?
  - Yes, my partner and I have been together for 6 years. For the last two years we both have wanted to have a child, although we were not financially stable, but we have worked on that and we are now financially stable.
  - No, my partner and I have only been together for 8 months and we argue quite a bit. Also, my partner does not want to have any children.
2. If you and your partner were to separate after having a child, what would happen?
  - If we were to separate after having a child, we would try and still live near each other, so we equally see our child. For example, one week I would get to take care/see our child and the next week my partner would get to take care/see our child.
  - If we were to separate after having a child, I would probably take custody of our child because my partner is not responsible enough and does not have a stable income or job.
3. Will you be able to sacrifice your "me time" to take care of your child and give them the needs/attention that they will need.
  - Yes, because my child will become my world and my first priority.
  - If I need "me time" I can hire a babysitter.



## Finances

1. Can you afford to support a child? Do you know how much it takes to raise a child?
  - I know raising a child is expensive, but I have saved and budgeted for the future.
  - Raising a child can't be that expensive, people in developing countries do it all the time.
2. Can you take care of a child, as well as having a stable job?
  - Yes. The job I have right now, let's me take time off and I already have a support network in place to help.
  - No. I currently work full time and would not be able to take time off.
3. Do you want to raise a child in the neighbourhood where you live now? Would you be willing to move?
  - The neighbourhood I live in is very kid friendly, there are many parks nearby and lots of other kids to play with! Although, if I had to move, I would be willing to.
  - I would preferably not like to raise a child in my neighbourhood because it is in a rough part of town and not many kids around. I would be willing to move; however, I don't think I could afford to.



