



- What does "household" mean to you?
- Brainstorm words and ideas associated with “A Milenial”

- Overwhelmed

➤ Do you agree or disagree? Why?

- Marriage has been an important part of society, is important now, and will continue to be important in the future.
- Marriage is old-fashioned. To be single and to have short-term relationships is best.
- There is little reason to get married if a couple is already living together (i.e., the mystery of marriage is gone).
- Children need to have contact with their extended family of cousins, aunts, uncles, etc.

- It's wrong, disgusting, and/or sinful for an unmarried couple to live together.
- Your son/daughter never wants to get married because it will take away their freedom. Instead, he/she prefers to live with a partner out of wedlock. Would you agree with the decision?
- Would you demand that they get married?
- Would you be happy that he/she found someone, and not care if they don't get married?
- Would you think that your child is living in sin, and be disappointed with his / her decision?
- Would you be worried about any grandchildren that were eventually born? Why?

Listening:

1. What percentage (%) of Millennials want to get married? **69%**
2. Why do people get married?
 - 1 - financial stability
 - 2 - legal rights and benefits
 - 3 - a religious ceremony
 - 4 - having kids
 - 5 - companionship
 - 6 - commitment
 - 7 - LOVE <3
3. What was one of the things that happened in the 1970s that caused a decline in marriage? - WOMEN'S LIBERATION
4. What are the top three reasons why Millennials aren't getting married?
 - TOO YOUNG
 - THEY DON'T FINANCIALLY READY
 - CAN'T FIND WHAT THEY ARE LOOKING FOR
'Picky'
 Dating apps - Tinder

5. Getting married later will lead to shorter marriages in general. -
True or False? - False / tend to be longer
More mature
6. What do 82% of Americans believe in? **True love**

Marriage isn't dead, but data released in August **indicated** that more than half of American family **households** weren't married. That figure, 56.8 million, or 50.2 percent of the total, is a sharp drop from six years ago. In 2000, married couples made up 52 percent of the 105.5 million **households**.

Single women **headed** more than 14 million **households** and another 5 million by single men. Most interesting, or alarming, depending on your point of view, was the large number of "non-family **households**." This term mostly refers to gay or heterosexual couples living together out of formal **wedlock**.

The shift could mark drastic changes in every part of American life, from family law to national politics with its emphasis on family values. In the short term, however, it **indicates** the failed efforts of President Bush and his **allies**, **despite** their push for traditional marriage and families. The tax breaks, special legislation, and church-**sponsored** campaigns are **bearing** little **fruit**.

Douglas Beshavor, a sociologist with the American Enterprise Institute, suggested that short-term relationships and unmarried couples living together would **dominate** American life for years to come. As a result, people will find themselves more alone than ever before. Both parents will be working, so there will be fewer **siblings**, cousins, aunts, and uncles. America will move towards a much more **individualistic** society.

"Change is in the air," he said. "The only question is whether it is **catastrophic** or just **evolutionary**."