

Recording one

Qualities of a relationship such as openness, compassion and mental stimulation, or of concern to most of us regardless of sex. But judging from the questionnaire response, they are more important to women than to men. Asked to consider the ingredients of close friendship, women rated these qualities above all others. (16) Men assigned a lower priority to them in favor of similarity and interest. Selected by 77% of men and responsiveness in a crisis, chosen by 61% of male respondents, mental stimulation ranked 3rd in popularity by men as well as women was the only area of overlap. Among men, only 28% named openness as an important quality.

Caring was picked by just 23%. (17) It is evident by their selections that when women speak of close friendships, they are referring to emotional factors. While men emphasized the pleasure they find in a friend's company, that is, when a man speaks of a friend, he is likely to be talking about someone he does things with, a teammate, a fellow hobbyist, a drinking buddy. These activities are the fabric of the friendship. It is a doing relationships in which similarity in interests is the key bond. This factor was a consideration of less than 11% of women. Women opt for a warm emotional atmosphere where communication flows freely. Activity is mere background.

Lastly, men, as we have seen, have serious questions about each other's loyalty. Perhaps this is why they placed such strong emphasis on responsiveness in a crisis. Someone I can call on for help. Women, as their testimonies indicate, are generally more secure with each other and consequently are more likely to treat this issue lightly. In follow up interviews, this was confirmed numerous times. As woman after woman indicated that being there when needed was taken for granted. (18) As for the hazards of friendship, more than a few relationships have been shattered because of cutthroat competition and feelings of betrayal. This applies to both men and women, but unequally. In comparison, nearly twice as many men complained about these issues as women. Further, while competition and betrayal are the main thorns to female friendship, men are plagued in almost equal amounts by two additional issues lack of frankness and a fear of appearing unmanly. Obviously, for a man, a good friendship is hard to find.

Question 16: What quality do men value most concerning friendship according to a questionnaire response?

问题是：根据问卷，什么样的品质男性最看重？

原文中提到男性则更倾向于相似性和兴趣。

Question 17: What do women refer to when speaking of close friendships?

问题是：谈到亲密的友谊，女人指的是什么？

原文中提到：从她们的选择中可以明显看出，当女性谈到亲密的友谊时，她们指的是情感因素。

Question 18: What may threaten a friendship for both men and women?

问题是：什么会威胁到男女双方的友谊？

原文中提到：至于友谊的危害，很多关系因为激烈的竞争和被背叛的感觉而破裂。这对男人和女人都适用。

Recording Two

(19) The partial skeletons of more than 20 dinosaurs and scattered bones of about 300 more have been discovered in Utah and Colorado at what is now the Dinosaur National Monument. Many of the best specimens may be seen today at museums of natural history in the larger cities of the United States, and Canada. This dinosaur pit is the largest and best-preserved deposit of dinosaurs known today. (20) Many people get the idea from the mass of bones in the pit wall that

some disaster, such as a volcanic explosion or a sudden flood, killed a whole herd of dinosaurs in this area. This could have happened, but it probably did not

The main reasons for thinking otherwise, other scattered bones and the thickness of the deposit in other posits where the animals were thought to have died together, the skeletons were usually complete and often all the bones were in their proper places. Rounded pieces of fossil bone have been found here. These fragments got their smooth, round shape by rolling along the stream bottom. In a mass killing, the bones would have been left on the stream or lake bottom together at the same level. But in this deposit, the bones occur throughout a zone sandstone about 12 feet thick

The mixture of swamp dwellers and dry land types also seems to indicate that the deposit is a mixture from different places. The pit area is a large dinosaur graveyard-not a place where they died (21) Most of the remains probably floated down eastward flowing river until they were left on a shallow sandbar. Some of them may have come from faraway dry land areas to the west. Perhaps they drowned trying to cross a small stream, all washed away during floods. Some of the swamp dwellers may have got stuck in the very sandbar that became their grave. Others may have floated for miles before being stranded

Question 19: Where can many of the best dinosaur specimens be found in North America?

问题是：在北美哪里可以找到许多最好的恐龙标本？

原文中提到：该句表明是在美国犹他州和科罗拉多州的恐龙国家保护区发现了 20 多具恐龙的部分骨骼和 300 多具散落的恐龙骨骼。

Question 20: What occurs to many people when they see the massive bones in the pit wall?

问题是：当许多人看到坑壁里巨大的骨头时会想到什么？

原文中提到：许多人从坑壁中的大量骨头中得出这样的想法：一些灾难，如火山爆发或突然的洪水，杀死了这个地区的一群恐龙。

Question 21 What does the speaker suggest about the large number of dinosaur bones found in the pit?

问题是：关于在坑中发现的大量恐龙骨骼，笔者说了什么？

原文中提到：大部分遗骸可能是顺着向东的河流漂流而下，最后被留在了一个浅的沙洲上。其中一些可能来自遥远的西部干旱地区。

Recording Three

I would like particularly to talk about the need to develop a new style of aging in our own society(22) Young people in this country have been accused of not caring for their parents the way they would have in the old country. And this is true. (23) But it is also true that old people have been influenced by an American ideal of independence and autonomy. So we live alone, perhaps on the verge of starvation, in time without friends. But we are independent. This standard American style has been forced on every ethnic group. Although there are many groups for whom the ideal is not practical, it is a poor ideal and pursuing it does a great deal of harm. This ideal of independence also contains a tremendous amount of unselfishness.

In talking to today's young mothers, I have asked them what kind of grandmothers they think they are going to be. I hear devoted loving mothers say that when they are through raising their children, they have no intention of becoming grandmothers. (24) They are astonished to hear that in most of the world throughout most of its history, families have been three or four generation-families, living under the same roof. We have over-emphasized the small family unit-father, mother, small children. We think it is wonderful if grandma and grandpa, if they're

still alive, can live alone. We have reached the point where we think the only thing we can do for our children is to stay out of their way. The only thing we can do for our daughter in law is to see as little of her as possible. (25) Old people's nursing homes, even the best one, are filled with older people who believe the only thing they can do for their children is to look cheerful when they come to visit. So in the end, older people have to devote all their energies to not being a burden.

We are beginning to see what a tremendous price we've paid for our emphasis on independence and autonomy. We've isolated old people and we've cut off the children from their grandparents. One of the reasons we have as bad a generation gap today as we do is that grandparents have stepped out. Young people are being deprived of the thing they need most: perspective to know why their parents behave so peculiarly and why their grandparents say the things they do.

Question 22: What have young Americans been accused of?

问题是：年轻美国人被指责了什么？

原文中谈到：根据 young Americans been accused of 定位至第一段第二句，这个国家的年轻人被指责没有像在老国家那样照顾他们的父母。

Question 23: What does the speaker say about old people in the United States?

问题是：关于美国的老年人，说话者说了些什么？

原文中谈到：根据定位词 old people in the United States 定位至第一段第四句，老年人也确实受到了美国人独立自主理想的影响。

Question 24: What is astonishing to the young mothers interviewed by the speaker?

问题是：对演讲者采访的年轻妈妈们来说，什么是令人惊讶的？

原文中谈到：根据定位词 astonishing 和 young mothers 定位至第二段第三句，他们听到世界上大多数国家在其大部分历史上都是这样，感到很惊讶。一个家庭有三四代人，都生活在同一个屋檐下。

Question 25: What does the speakers say older people try their best to do?

问题是：说话人说老年人尽最大的努力做什么？

原文中谈到：根据 older people try their best 定位至第二段末句，养老院，即使是最好的养老院，都挤满了老人，他们相信自己能为孩子做的唯一事情就是在孩子来的时候让他们看起来开心。所以最后，老年人必须把所有的精力都用来避免成为一个负担。

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