

Cross-Cultural Research on Close Relationships

This research focuses on how men and women from different cultural backgrounds view close relationships. We would like to know something about the thoughts, feelings, and experiences you've had in romantic love relationships. Please answer honestly. Your answers will be kept strictly confidential. Thank you in advance for your participation.

_____ Are you in love with anyone right now?

1. Yes
2. No

Passionate Love Scale

We would like to know how you feel (or once felt) about the person you love, or have loved, most passionately. Some common terms for passionate love are romantic love, infatuation, love sickness, or obsessive love.

Please think of the person whom you love most passionately right now. If you are not in love right now, please think of the last person you loved. If you have never been in love, think of the person whom you came closest to caring for in that way. Try to tell us how you felt at the time when your feelings were the most intense.

Whom are you thinking of?

_____ Someone I love right now.

_____ Someone I once loved.

_____ I have never been in love.

Possible answers range from:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Not at all true				Moderately true				Definitely true

I would feel deep despair if _____ left me.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Sometimes I feel I can't control my thoughts; they are obsessively on _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I feel happy when I am doing something to make _____ happy.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I would rather be with _____ than anyone else.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I'd get jealous if I thought _____ were falling in love with someone else.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I yearn to know all about _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I want _____ physically, emotionally, mentally.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I have an endless appetite for affection from _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

For me, _____ is the perfect romantic partner.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I sense my body responding when _____ touches me.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

_____ always seems to be on my mind.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I want _____ to know me--my thoughts, my fears, and my hopes.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I eagerly look for signs indicating ____'s desire for me.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I possess a powerful attraction for ____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I get extremely depressed when things don't go right in my relationship with ____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

_____ Total Passionate Love Scale Score

Compassionate Love Scale

We would also like to know how you feel (or once felt) about the person you love, or have loved, most compassionately. Some common terms for compassionate love are affectionate love, tender love, true love, or marital love.

Please think of the person whom you love most companionately right now. If you are not in love right now, please think of the last person you loved. If you have never been in love, think of the person whom you came closest to caring for in that way. Try to tell us how you felt at the time when your feelings were the most intense.

Who are you thinking of?:

_____ Someone I love right now.

_____ Someone I once loved.

_____ I have never been in love.

Please indicate your feelings on the following scale:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Not at all true of me	Somewhat true of me	Moderately true of me		Quite true of me		Extremely true of me		

Decision/Commitment

I expect my love for _____ to last for the rest of my life.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I can't imagine ending my relationship with _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I am committed to maintaining my relationship with _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I have confidence in the stability of my relationship with _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Intimacy

I strongly desire to promote the well being of _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I have a relationship of mutual understanding with _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

_____ is able to count on me in times of need.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

I feel emotionally close to _____.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

_____ Total Companionate Love Scale Score

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