

# GENDER

# **Gender Stereotypes Discussion Questions**

Discuss the following questions with your partner or in a small group.

- 1. Do you think gender stereotypes are harmful? Why or why not?
- 2. Can you think of any stereotypes about men or women in your culture?
- 3. How do gender stereotypes affect children growing up?
- 4. Do you believe that certain jobs are more suited for men or women? Why?
- 5. How have gender roles changed in the last 50 years?
- 6. What is the difference between gender and sex?
- 7. How do media and advertising influence gender stereotypes?
- 8. What can be done to challenge gender stereotypes in society?
- 9. Do you think gender equality has been achieved in your country? Why or why not?
- 10. How does gender affect the way people are treated in your community?

# **Comparatives and Superlatives**

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjectives provided.

- 1. In some cultures, men are considered \_\_\_\_\_\_ (strong) than women.
- 2. Women are often seen as \_\_\_\_\_\_ (nurturing) than men.
- 3. Nowadays, gender roles are \_\_\_\_\_ (flexible) than in the past.
- The debate about gender equality is becoming \_\_\_\_\_\_ (important) in our society.
- 5. Some people believe that women are \_\_\_\_\_ (good) at multitasking than men.

# **Reading Comprehension**

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow.

**Passage**: Gender roles have evolved significantly over the years. In many societies, traditional roles that once dictated specific tasks for men and women are being challenged. Today, it is not uncommon to see men taking on roles traditionally reserved for women, such as caregiving and homemaking, while women pursue careers in fields that were once male-dominated. However, gender stereotypes still persist, and overcoming them remains a challenge.

#### **Questions:**

- 1. What is the main idea of the passage?
- 2. How have gender roles changed according to the passage?
- 3. What is one example of a traditional gender role mentioned in the text?
- 4. What challenge does the passage mention regarding gender roles?
- 5. Do you think these changes in gender roles are positive or negative? Explain.

## **True or False Statements**

Mark the following statements as True or False.

- 1. Gender roles have remained the same for the past 100 years.
- 2. In many cultures, men are expected to be the primary breadwinners.
- 3. Gender and sex are the same concepts.
- 4. Gender stereotypes can limit opportunities for both men and women.
- 5. Media often reinforces gender stereotypes.
- 6. Gender roles are exactly the same in every culture.
- 7. Today, women can pursue any career they choose without any societal judgment.
- 8. Men are generally better at science and math than women.
- 9. Women are always more nurturing than men.
- 10. It is important to challenge gender stereotypes.

#### **Correct the Errors**

Each sentence has an error related to gender pronouns or vocabulary. Correct the errors.

- 1. Every boy should bring her own lunch.
- 2. The doctor said that she must operate on the patient immediately.
- 3. Everyone should respect his rights regardless of their gender.
- 4. My sister, who is a engineer, loves her job.
- 5. He is one of the best nurse in the hospital.

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**Teacher's Key**: These are open-ended questions, so there are no fixed answers. However, guide students to explore various perspectives, such as the negative impact of stereotypes, examples of gendered expectations in different cultures, and the evolving nature of gender roles.

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- 1. The main idea is that gender roles have evolved, but stereotypes still persist.
- 2. Gender roles have become more flexible, with men and women taking on roles traditionally associated with the opposite gender.
- 3. Traditional gender roles mentioned include caregiving for women and maledominated careers.
- 4. The challenge mentioned is overcoming persistent gender stereotypes.
- 5. Open-ended; look for reasoning that reflects the passage.

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