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What women really think

1.Look at the quiz. Try to answer the questions. On the 2nd page read the article and check your ideas.

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Stella magazine commissioned YouGov, a research agency, to interview over 1,000 women in the UK about what they really think. How do you think they responded?

1 How many women in the UK would prefer to have a male boss?
(a) less than 30%
(b) about 50%
(c) over 70%

2 How many women have gone on a diet in the past?
(a) 20%
(b) between 35% and 45%
(c) over 50%

3 How many women spend more than seven hours a week doing exercise?
(a) 4%
(b) 15%
(c) 30%

4 What is the biggest challenge for women today?
(a) staying healthy
(b) making enough money
(c) balancing home and work life

5 What do women think is the best age to get married?
(a) between 21 and 24
(b) between 25 and 29
(c) over 30

6 What do 59% of women think fathers should take more responsibility for?
(a) their children
(b) doing the housework
(c) organising holidays

7 According to women, how much housework do they do?
(a) more than 50%
(b) over 75%
(c) nearly all of it



8 How many women aged 45–54 met their husbands through the internet?
(a) 1%
(b) 9%
(c) 16%

2. Find in the quiz and complete the collocations with the correct words

1 ~~*on a diet*~~, *home, off something, for a drink/a walk/a meal, grey*

Go
- *on a diet* (start something)
- _____ (become)
- _____ (move to a place)
- _____ (for a (noun)
- _____ (other expressions)

2 *responsibility for, after someone, part in something, a taxi*

Take
- _____ (go in a vehicle)
- _____ (join in)
- _____ (phrasal verbs)
- _____ (other expressions)

3 *married, a job/degree, on with someone, here*

Get
- _____ (become)
- _____ (obtain)
- _____ (go somewhere)
- _____ (phrasal verbs)

4 *exercise, research, housework, someone a favour*

Do
- _____ (activity)
- _____ (responsibilities and tasks)
- _____ (find information)
- _____ (help someone)

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Stella magazine commissioned YouGov, a research agency, to interview over 1,000 women in the UK about what they really think. Here are some of the results.

80% of women say that losing their health is their greatest concern, followed by putting on weight (52%) and losing their jobs (24%). It seems that British women aren't too happy with their bodies: 23% of women are on a diet now and 58% have **gone on a diet** in the past. Only 4% of women **do** more than 7 hours' **exercise** per week, while 21% do no exercise at all.

The biggest challenge for modern women is balancing home and work life (82%), followed by bringing up happy children (56%) and finding time for themselves (52%).

As for their love lives, 9% of women aged 45–54 met their husbands through the internet, and 49% of women believe that the best age to **get married** is between 25 and 29.

And what about the relationships between men and women? 59% think fathers should **take** more **responsibility** for their children. These women are also less than content with their husbands' efforts at home: 51% say they currently **do** over 75% of the **housework**. Despite this, over 70% of women would prefer to have a male boss than a female.

And their heroes? The woman they most admire is ex-Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher (7%), followed by the Queen (5%).

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