

Adulthood

Guided Reading

Section 1

READING THE SECTION

DIRECTIONS Read the definitions below. In the space provided, write the letter of the term that matches each definition.

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| _____ 1. goals and achievements associated by Erik Erikson with young adulthood | a. identity |
| _____ 2. the financial consequences of this event are more severe for women than for men | b. patriarchy |
| _____ 3. a system in which men play the dominant role in marriage and society | c. developmental tasks |
| _____ 4. the concept of who a person is and what he or she stands for in terms of values | d. reassessment |
| _____ 5. a period in the lives of people in their 20s when they reevaluate the decisions and choices they have made | e. divorce |

DIRECTIONS On the line provided before each statement, write **T** if a statement is true and **F** if a statement is false. If the statement is false, write the correct term on the line after each sentence that makes the sentence a true statement.

- _____ 6. Beginning a career or job is one of the developmental tasks associated with young adulthood.
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- _____ 7. A period of reassessment may bring about major life changes.
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- _____ 8. An important part of young adulthood is the development of patriarchy, a sense of who you are and what you stand for.
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- _____ 9. Identity is part of the history of marriage.
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- _____ 10. Reassessment has many financial and emotional costs.
- _____

POST-READING QUICK CHECK

DIRECTIONS Read each sentence and fill in the blank with the correct word or phrase.

11. The _____ rate rose steadily throughout most of the last century before leveling off in the 1980s. (**divorce/reassessment**)
12. Throughout history, _____ have changed according to the needs of people and society. (**children of divorce/marriage practices**)
13. The financial impact of _____ on women is less severe than it used to be. (**identity/divorce**)
14. When people ask themselves, “Why am I doing this?” this is an example of _____. (**reassessment/identity**)
15. As the system of _____ has changed, spouses are more likely to be considered equal partners. (**divorce/patriarchy**)

DIRECTIONS In your own words, write the definition of each term.

16. identity: _____

17. patriarchy: _____

18. marriage practices: _____

19. divorce: _____
