

## Impasses of Divorce

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1. The family participants in Chapter 1 were least concerned about what aspect of their divorce?
  - a. Child Custody
  - b. Financial Settlements
  - c. Support Modification
  - d. Details of Visits
  
2. What is the most common form of active disputing?
  - a. Physical Aggression
  - b. Spitting
  - c. Destruction of furniture/possessions
  - d. Verbal Abuse
  
3. What theory have the authors developed to provide a framework for considering what is blocking or preventing family disputes?
  - a. Divorce-transition impasse
  - b. Family Impasse
  - c. Custody Impasse
  - d. Do unto others
  
4. Which answer is **not** one of the three levels of an impasse?
  - a. Psychosomatic
  - b. external
  - c. interactional
  - d. Intra psychic
  
5. Why were Judith and Martin shifted to individual counseling sessions?
  - a. Their unexplained behavior
  - b. Martin's Violence
  - c. Joint Sessions were Unsuccessful
  - d. Judith Blew her Mind with Drugs
  
6. Which of the following is part of the price of having the support of others during a divorce?
  - a. Criticisms
  - b. Interference
  - c. Counter-demands
  - d. All of the above

7. Which of the following is **not** an appropriate role for a stepparent?
  - a. Moderator
  - b. Mediator
  - c. Intervener
  - d. Witness
  
8. Which of the following is **not** a type of kin involvement in a divorce dispute?
  - a. No Negative Involvement
  - b. Taking Sides in Ongoing Disputes
  - c. Making Family Demands
  - d. Taking the Kids to a Ball Game
  
9. What are the two types of an interactional impasses?
  - a. Couple maintains highly idealized views of one another
  - b. They have negative, polarized views
  - c. Do not have a significant shared reality
  
10. Which is an important feature of the lives of individuals who maintain idealized views?
  - a. Over involvements of friends
  - b. Guilt Ridden
  - c. Social Isolation
  - d. Gratification
  
11. This chapter focuses on the negative images that are generated largely by what experience?
  - a. Couples Reuniting
  - b. Separation
  - c. Validation
  - d. Conversations
  
12. What is a synonym for "provisional contracts" between opposing sides?
  - a. Contradiction
  - b. Specific contracts
  - c. Negative Agreements
  - d. Trial Agreements
  
13. Which is **not** a characteristic of a narcissistic vulnerability to disputes?
  - a. Low Self-Esteem
  - b. Positive Attitude
  - c. Feelings of Failure and Rejection
  - d. Feelings of Humiliation

14. Which is a positive trait that is characteristic of mildly disturbed parents toward their children?
  - a. Views Children Realistically
  - b. Difficult maintaining self-structure
  - c. Recognizes Consequences for their Children of their actions
  - d. Both a. & c.
  
15. Which is typically a trait of a moderately disturbed spouse?
  - a. Has difficulty maintaining a positive and realistic self-structure
  - b. Selfish
  - c. Paranoid
  - d. Status Conscious
  
16. Which is a trait of a seriously disturbed spouse?
  - a. Inability to Concentrate
  - b. Serious Paranoid Disturbance
  - c. Lack of Imagination
  - d. Accepts Blame
  
17. What is always involved in divorce?
  - a. Custody
  - b. Exhilaration
  - c. Loss
  - d. Financial Gain
  
18. What is the definition of the trauma of loss in the past affecting a present-day relationship?
  - a. Psychosis
  - b. Separation
  - c. Over-identifying
  - d. Reactivated trauma of Loss
  
19. What is a common characteristic of a dependent parent?
  - a. Appears Outwardly Hostile
  - b. Complaint
  - c. Refuse to Acknowledge the separation as permanent
  - d. None of the above
  
20. What is a chief characteristic of disputants revealing elements of oscillating dependency?
  - a. Submissiveness
  - b. Instability in Behavior
  - c. Contradictory
  - d. Over identify with Child