

Marriage & Family: The Quest for Intimacy, 9e

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Detailed List of New Features

Robert and Jeanette Lauer's *Marriage & Family: The Quest for Intimacy, 9e* is the essential textbook and practical guide to marriage and family life that explores the context and meaning of intimate relationships and how they are formed, the dynamics of marriage, and the nature and challenges of family relationships in all their stages. With more than 200 new references to the professional literature and the most recent government data on marriage, family, and modern-day relationships, this new edition provides both research-based knowledge and engaging, practical information to help students reflect and connect, including personal stories and real experiences that illustrate key principles and concepts. This book will not only help students deepen their understanding of marriage and family, but encourage them to apply this knowledge to their own lives and intimate relationships.

The Connect course for this offering includes SmartBook, an adaptive reading and study experience which guides students to master, recall, and apply key concepts while providing automatically-graded assessments.

Overall Changes include New Statistics On:

- The proportion of Americans living in a multigenerational household
- Recent statistics on number of Americans living alone
- The living arrangements of children under 18 years
- Teen birthrates
- Legal abortions
- Educational homogamy
- Marriage rates
- The female labor force
- Social and economic
- U.S. birth rates
- Divorce
- The birth rate per 1,000 population
- Households by race, Hispanic origin, and type
- Births to unmarried women by race and Hispanic origin

Updated Statistics Covering:

- The percent of people below poverty level
- The percentage of children living with one parent
- Females employed in selected occupations
- The percentage of single-parent families in the U.S.

New Topics Discussing:

- Churning relationships
- Fathers' greater involvement in parenting

Expanded Topics Discussing:

- The experience of being single
- Cohabitation
- Women working outside the home
- Gender roles in the home
- Cultural attitudes towards divorce
- Child custody
- The challenges of remarriage
- Challenges facing stepfamilies, functioning of stepfamilies, and step-parenting
- Emerging adulthood
- "Boomerang children"
- Same-sex marriage and parenting
- Sexting

New Data Reporting:

- Family households with children
- Types of child maltreatment
- Drug and alcohol abuse
- The snowballing effect of stress and crises in families
- The race and Hispanic origin of adopted children
- The social and economic characteristics of women who gave birth in 2012
- On employment status among mothers 16 year and older
- On the marital status and labor force participation rates of women with
- Civilian labor force participation rates by sex
- On the number of married couples of mixed races and origins
- On the number of unmarried couples living together
- Facts about online dating
- On attitudes towards extramarital sex
- Contraceptive use in women
- The extent of sex among teenagers
- The marital status of the population
- Household composition

New edition includes a Connect access code (which includes LearnSmart, an adaptive online study tool, and SmartBook, an adaptive eBook).

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