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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/203/2021_2022__E8_80_83_E8_AF_95_E5_A4_A7_EF_c82_203696.htm Passage 16 In a family where the roles of men and women are not sharply separated and where many household tasks are shared to a greater or lesser extent, notions of male superiority are hard to maintain. The pattern of sharing in tasks and indecision makes for equality and this in turn leads to further sharing. In such a home, the growing boy and girl learn to accept equality more easily than did their parents and to prepare more fully for participation in a world characterized by cooperation rather than by the “battle of the sexes”. If the process goes too far and man’s role is regarded as less important and that has happened in some cases we are as badly off as before, only in reverse. It is time to reassess the role of the man in the American family. We are getting a little tired of “Momism” but we don’t want to exchange it for a “neo-Popism”. What we need, rather, is the recognition that bringing up children involves a partnership of equals. There are signs that psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and specialists on the family are becoming more aware of the part men play and that they have decided that women should not receive all the credit nor the blame. We have almost given up saying that a woman’s place is in the home. We are beginning, however, to analyse man’s place in the home and to insist that he does have a place in it. Nor is that place irrelevant to the healthy development of the child. The family is a co-operative enterprise for which it is

difficult to lay down rules, because each family needs to work out its own ways for solving its own problems. Excessive authoritarianism (命令主义) has unhappy consequences, whether it wears skirts or trousers, and the ideal of equal rights and equal responsibilities is pertinent (相关的 , 切题的) not only to a healthy democracy, but also to a healthy family.

1. The ideal of equal rights and equal responsibilities is _____. A fundamental to a sound democracy
B not pertinent to healthy family life
C responsible for Momism
D what we have almost given up

2. The danger in the sharing of household tasks by the mother and the father is that _____.
A the role of the father may become an inferior one
' B the role of the mother may become an inferior one
C the children will grow up believing that life is a battle of sexes
D sharing leads to constant arguing

3. The author states that bringing up children _____.
A is mainly the mother ' s job
B belongs among the duties of the father
C is the job of schools and churches
D involves a partnership of equals

4. According to the author, the father ' s role in the home is _____.
A minor because he is an ineffectual parent
B irrelevant to the healthy development of the child
C pertinent to the healthy development of the child
D identical to the role of the child ' s mother

5. With which of the following statements would the author be most likely to agree?
A A healthy, co-operative family is a basic ingredient of a healthy society.
B Men are basically opposed to sharing household chores.
C Division of household responsibilities is workable only in theory.
D A woman ' s place in the home now as always.

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