

I. Stages of Family Life

A. Child Rearing

1. The most important and demanding social role
2. Problems with socialization to parenthood
 - a. Little anticipatory socialization
 - i. Educational system – little attention given to child care and home maintenance
 - b. Limited learning in pregnancy itself
 - c. Transition is abrupt
 - d. Lack well defined guidelines for good parenting

II. Adoption (**Note: This section may be inaccurate; just know that the number of adoptions has decreased/is decreasing.**)

A. Transfer of legal rights, responsibilities, and privileges of parenting from birth parent

1. Solution to unplanned pregnancy
2. Families for children in need
3. Child for infertile couple
4. Decreases welfare expenses

B. Number of adoptions down between 1970-1986

1. 89200 to 51157
2. Decline in number of available children
3. Greater use of contraceptives

III. Dual Career Families (**Note: Statistics have changed, and are continually doing so; just grab the concepts/implications of dual-career families.**)

A. Traditional model of husband working and mother at home is decreasing

1. 24% of households have dual incomes to meet economic needs
 - a. Dual career families have 38% more income on average \$48169:\$30075
 - i. Not all of the extra income is real because of increased child care costs
 - b. Outcomes of Dual income families

- i. Different family leave policies
- ii. Second shift
- iii. Rise in child care as an industry
- iv. Latchkey children

IV. Family life and mental health

A. Strained conventional

1. Wife joins husband in labor force out of necessity, and does housework at home
2. Moderate depression for wife
3. High depression for husband who feels like a failure

B. Strained egalitarian

1. Both partners are happy to be working, but wife still does most of the housework
2. Husband enjoys more family income with wife has more depression

C. Conventional

1. Husband employed while wife stays home
2. Low to moderate depression for both partners

D. Egalitarian

1. Spouses happy to share in all facets of marriage
2. Spouses experience lowest levels of depression

V. Is there a cause for hope?

- A. After years of increases, the number of divorces are
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VI. Functionalist analysis of Family – READ IN BOOK

VII. Conflict analysis of Family – READ IN BOOK

VIII. Eric Peter = name of BASolan's son