

## GENDER STEREOTYPES: PREVAILING GENDER ROLES IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY

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**Abstract:** Gender stereotypes are simplifications about the roles of each gender. Gender roles are usually neither positive nor negative; they are simply inaccurate generalizations of the male and female features. Since each person has their own desires, thoughts, and feelings, irrespective of their gender, these stereotypes are incredibly simplistic and do not at all describe the attributes of every person of each gender.

While most people do not recognize stereotypes, many still make assumptions based on gender. There are many stereotypes we may all be guilty of, such as assuming that all women want to marry and have children, or that all men love sports. The following paper will list some of the most common gender stereotypes as they refer to either men or women. Recall that these are stereotypes because they claim to apply to all men or women.

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**Introduction: Female Gender Stereotypes:** Sexual orientation generalizations start the second an infant's sex is discovered. When we discover it's a young lady, we instantly start embellishing a pink nursery loaded with delicate stylistic theme and butterflies and blossoms. We expect that our little girl will be "girly" and fill her wardrobe with frilly dresses and her toy box with tea sets and dolls. What this is basically doing, despite the fact that many guardians don't understand it, is setting our tyke up to be the "ideal woman," and showing her how to be the cliché lady. We are showing her that young ladies should wear dresses, serve nourishment, and deal with children; the greatest and most regular generalization put on ladies. Have you at any point viewed a young lady playing house? Indeed, even as youthful as five or six, she is very much aware that she should remain home with the infant while the spouse goes to work, and she eats prepared when he returns home. Here is another generalization; ladies remain at home while men go to work. While there are a million sexual orientation generalizations about females, these are certainly the greatest, and the most wrangled by women's activists of today.

Some other stereotypes include:

- Women are supposed to have "clean jobs" such as secretaries, teachers, and librarians
- Women are nurses, not doctors
- Women are not as strong as men
- Women are supposed to make less money than men
- The best women are stay at home moms
- Women don't need to go to college
- Women don't play sports
- Women are not politicians
- Women are quieter than men and not meant to speak out
- Women are supposed to be submissive and do as they are told
- Women are supposed to cook and do housework

- Women are responsible for raising children
- Women do not have technical skills and are not good at "hands on" projects such as car repairs
- Women are meant to be the damsel in distress; never the hero
- Women are supposed to look pretty and be looked at
- Women love to sing and dance
- Women do not play video games
- Women are flirts
- Women are never in charge

**Male Gender Stereotypes:** Stereotyping is the same when it's discovered that a kid is en route. The nursery is decked out in blue, his storage room is loaded with little pants, polo shirts, and boots, and the topic is generally something like wilderness creatures or dinosaurs; something intense. Young men's toys comprise of trucks, dinosaurs, activity figures, and computer games. From the earliest starting point young men are educated to be intense, to be defensive, and to guard themselves. Young men are shown that daddy's go to work and mom's stay at home; from their perspective, young men have some good times and young ladies do all the work.

It is safe to say that you are astounded to hear that most guardians concede that they don't instruct their children how to do errands, for example, washing dishes or collapsing clothing? Rather, they show them to take out the waste and cut the yard; from the get-go young men are made to imagine that specific family tasks are "ladies' work." This is a noteworthy generalization; however the greater part of American families today would end up being valid. Men should do the filthy employments and anything that requires muscle, they are likewise expected to go to work and accommodate the family. Young men see this and the generalization proceeds

Other gender stereotypes that inaccurately try to describe all men are:

- All men enjoy working on cars

- Men are not nurses, they are doctors
- Men do "dirty jobs" such as construction and mechanics; they are not secretaries, teachers, or cosmetologists
- Men do not do housework and they are not responsible for taking care of children
- Men play video games
- Men play sports
- Men enjoy outdoor activities such as camping, fishing, and hiking
- Men are in charge; they are always at the top
- As husbands, men tell their wives what to do
- Men are lazy and/or messy
- Men are good at math
- It is always men who work in science, engineering, and other technical fields
- Men do not cook, sew, or do crafts

Can you see how many of these actually are true of many men or women that you know? They may even be true for you personally, but they do not apply to every single man or woman alive. That is what makes them stereotypes; the fact that these things are considered, "the norm" and expected of every male or female. Each person is an individual and it is perfectly normal for a woman to run her own business while a man stays home with the kids. On the other hand it is also perfectly acceptable for a man to be a nurse or hate sports, or enjoy cooking. Men and women are individuals; they are more than just male or female. Our gender is only part of who we are; it does not define us. People should not be discriminated against for not obeying traditional gender roles, even when they do have their advantages.

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**Conclusion:** There is absolutely part isolations in each field of life for instance in the field of training there is just gendered-particular instruction as, high and expert training is fundamental for just man. In calling, the work place is not considered as the essential territory of ladies; vocation and expert headway is regarded irrelevant for ladies. Housekeeping and tyke care are the essential elements of the lady and investment of the man in these capacities is just in part needed, such parts are considered in our housework. In basic leadership man has the last say, for instance in choosing the place to live, decision of school for youngsters, purchasing choices and so forth. Lady deals with the biggest piece of youngster care and instruction capacities; she teaches kids and watches over them all around.

We ought to breakdown the parts by inclining toward Co-training schools which have same substance of classes for young ladies and young men, there ought to be same capability for men and ladies in field of instruction

For women, vocation is similarly as imperative with respect to men; thus break even with expert open door for men and ladies are important. All housework ought to be finished by both sides as after marriage everything is of equivalent shares. Neither one of the partners ought not overwhelm to one; arrangements don't generally take after the standard of finding a coordinated choice; the norm is kept up if contradiction happens. Man and women ought to share kid care and training capacities similarly

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