

## Discussion Topics for Remarriage

1. Feelings related to the first marriage and divorce: Feelings about the first marriage, the legal settlement, visitation, financial arrangement
2. Adjustment:
  - Between children and new spouse
  - Between new spouse and children
  - To a new life style
  - To a new family group and position in the family
  - To different expectations for household management
  - To new kin
3. Division of labor in the household
4. Perception of role relationships
  - New partner to children
  - Children to new partner
5. Responsibilities of new partner to children: Financial, Disciplinary
6. Exchange of views on child-rearing
7. Perception of what constitutes "a happy family life."
8. Perception of ways second marriage family life is viewed as similar to or different from the first
9. Feelings about continued relation between ex-spouse and/or ex-spouses' kin; between children and absent parent and kin
10. Feelings about non-residential children visiting
11. Discussion of recognition of difficulties of:
  - Acquiring an instant family
  - Time factor for privacy for couple relationship