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Singlehood

There may be many forces that drive people in the marriage direction. For example, my culture pushes me to get married and my boyfriend. My culture forces women especially to get married and reproduce as soon as possible. This gives us women pressure and we tend to achieve less of our own goals once we decide to marry. My Bosnian culture still lives in the old generation; in one way our culture is enforced upon the new generation and it makes us unsure of our desires. When I was younger I use to color drawings of my future marriage and future dream house. As I got older, I was more interested in becoming someone in a certain career field. In my opinion I believe when we all younger we see love and marriage and want to accomplish that as our dream but, as we all get older we explore more choices.

There are probably only one or two forces that push me towards being single. One force is I have this plan to finish my education and major in something. My plan is the goal I want to achieve before marriage because I think that if I don’t finish now, then I’ll never get another chance. I have a fear that I will find someone and know it’s right but, I would be focusing on school which would make it a difficult choice. Singles could live a satisfying life. According to “The marriage and family experience,” there are individuals who regard themselves as permanently single and are resolved to remain so (Strong and Cohen, 2014, p. 316). In my perspective I see a couple of ways to be single and have a satisfying life. One way is that they can achieve many of their own personal goals that they’ve set for themselves. Another way a single person may be happy is by full filling their own pursuit of happiness and becoming a success. Some single might not just be committed to a lifetime change. Lastly, I believe that singles can have a satisfying life by pursing all their plans and checking off their bucket list.

There are two perspectives I perceive on an individual being happy not married and an individual needing to be married to have a satisfying life. Single who are happily not married they tend to have good mental and physical health than married individuals. I perceive that being married also has its own benefits. For example, married people created a commitment and share part of each other every day. Sharing romance with the same individual every day makes life a little more worthwhile. The sharing of romance also creates a forever lasting love that will always be there not matter what life throws at a married person. Lastly, I believe in the end every person wants that special someone to have forever and share a part of themselves with their partner.

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