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## Why do we parent?

- Historically, during the Industrialization period: families would benefit their economical contributions and status by having children
  - To compare to the modern day, children are wanted for emotional reasons as this can give essential meaning to relationships
  - The idea of having and raising children is highly influenced by society's standards and expectations

# Decisions to Parent are Essentially Influenced by

- ★ Gender identity
- ★ Cultural background
- **★** Education
- ★ Labour market choices and part
- ★ Division of unpaid work
  - ★ Relationship with others



Why do we care for children?

Why do we parent?

Why do we socialize children?

Why do we co-parent?

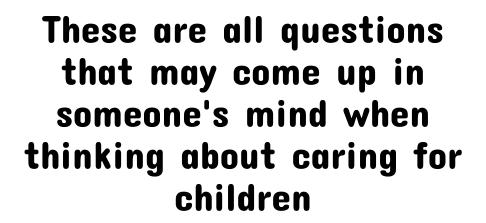
Why do we helicopter parent?

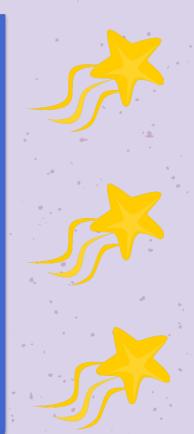












### Socialization of Children





## **Socializing Children**



- ★ Parents try to socialize their children to become an successful member of society, this comes with discipline
- ★ Socializing is such an important part of a young child's life, the way parents raise their children will determine their demeanor growing up
- ★ Socializing children at a young age will allow kids to build their own individuals skills and will be more confident by themselves.

### **Family Socialization Videos:**

#### Video 1:



#### Video 2:



Video 1: I believe that this video highly demonstrates the idea of SNAFF and how the mom cooks and cleans and the father is the breadwinner and goes to work. This family is the definition of society's expectations and SNAFF. This is because of the gender roles they place between the mom and the dad and the girl children and the boy children when they are fighting. Also, the husband assigning the jobs to the kids, (son will be president and daughter will be nurse) because these are highly gendered job positions that society see as expectations of normalcy.

**Video 2:** This social experiment was very interesting to see how the volunteer would give the boy a 'boy toy' and vise versa.

Personally, I always had girl toys to play with. I never had or had an desire to play with 'boy toys' because I am an only child and only had 'girl toys' so I only preferred to play with dolls and girly toys because that is all I knew. However, if you expose a young child to boy toys or girl today, you are not assigning them a gender at a young age and letting them choose what they would like to play with most.

## BOYS

Although this may seem like this slide is more directed towards girls, it doesn't really matter to a young child because we assign items, colours and toys to genders at a young age and this is why many people would not associate dolls or the colour pink with a boy.







## GIRLS

Many parents protect their girls more than boys. Meaning they want their daughter to be prim and proper, delicate and classy and they do not want any traits of a boy in a girl which is why they give girls doll toys and not monster truck toys. Parents are also more strict on girls and are less strict on boys because historically, girls used to be 'property' a 'liability' according to society. Which promotes that women are unequal to men. Many parents do not want their daughter to be sexualized by men when they go out, because they know that is how society views women. But they will let their sons go out with the mentality of 'boys will be boys'.









### HARRY STYLES CONT'D

Harry is known for wearing funky outfits that essentially "contradict" his sex or gender. I believe that this example of Harry Styles cleary shows how boys can wear dresses too. Unfortunately, society has created expectations and standards that individuals believe we must follow to "fit in" or to "be cool". This is socializing children to think that girls have to like pink and that boy have to like blue. Harry Styles is putting his influence on young individuals to showcase that these stereotypes and expectations of society are optional and you can express yourself in any way you desire. Harry has received a lot of backlash because he wore a dress in a magazine shoot or the fact that he wears nail polish. Many people in society may disagree with this because he is a boy, but his expression of his identity and his style is contradicting society and he is making a statement to be yourself no matter what society's expectations are.









★ Helicopter Parenting is very a very intense parenting style where parents are overly focused on their children's successes and failures in life, constantly helping them when they are in highschool or college/university and are fully capable of taking care of themselves on their own

If parents are constantly doing daily tasks that teenagers/young adults should be doing on their own, they will get used to that and will expect their parents to always be there and help them

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 For example: Parents calling for young adults appointments, parents calling their professor for poor grades, making their beds, cleaning their room and always making themselves available to their children

## Helicopter Parent Video



This video accurately showcases how parents who are helicopter parents sort of get in their child's way of being on their own. Although they want to help their children succeed in life, they overbear them and end up doing everything for them. This is socializing children to be dependant on their parents to do everything for them. Then when these kids grow up, they will be lost without their parents because they do not know what to do in certain situations. With this, these children develop later in life since they parents were doing things for them even as a young adult. Part of socialization is to teach children the ways of life and how parents handle life situations instead of just doing it for them and over protecting them during adult stages.

