



Marriage Matters Bingo

In order to play the Why Marriage Matters Bingo game you will need to print out the number of bingo cards needed. If you print the whole file you will get 100 unique bingo cards so be sure to print a smaller number if you don't need 100. Next you will need to print the facts below and cut them into strips. Once they are separate you should put them in a container so that they can be pulled out at random. When you start the game you need to explain to the kids that they will be looking for the numbers. You can have them mark directly on the cards or use a "marker", a penny or something, to mark the numbers that have been called. The first person to yell bingo wins.

- B1.** Children whose biological parents are married are, more likely to attend college.

- B2.** Children whose biological parents are married are more likely to succeed academically.

- B3.** Children whose biological parents are married are physically healthier.

- B4.** Children whose biological parents are married are emotionally healthier.

- B5.** Children whose biological parents are married are less likely to attempt or commit suicide.

- B6.** Children demonstrate less behavioral problems in school when they are raised in a home with their two biological married parents.

- B7.** When they are raised in the home with their two married, biological parents children are less likely to be a victim of physical or sexual abuse.

- B8.** Children living with their 2 biological, married parents are less likely to abuse drugs or alcohol.

- B9.** Children whose biological parents are married less likely to commit delinquent behaviors.

- B10.** Children whose biological parents are married have a better relationship with their mothers and fathers.



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- I11.** Children living with their 2 biological, married parents decrease their chances of divorcing when they get married.

- I12.** Children living with their 2 biological, married parents are less likely to become pregnant as a teenager, or impregnate someone.

- I13.** Children living with their 2 biological, married parents are less likely to be sexually active as teenagers.

- I14.** Children living with their 2 biological, married parents are less likely to contract STD's.

- I15.** Children living with their 2 biological, married parents are less likely to be raised in poverty.

- I16.** Women who are married experience more satisfying relationships.

- I17.** Married women are emotionally healthier.

- I18.** Married women are wealthier.

- I19.** Women who are married are less likely to be victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or other violent crimes.

- I20.** Women who are married are less likely to attempt or commit suicide.

- N21.** Married women decrease risk of drug and alcohol abuse.

- N22.** Married women are less likely to contract STD's.

- N23.** Women who are married are less likely to remain or end up in poverty.



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N24. Women who are married have better relationships with their children.

N25. Married women are physically healthier.

N26. Married men live longer.

N27. Married men are physically healthier.

N28. Married men are wealthier.

N29. Married men experience an increase in the stability of employment.

N30. Married men earn higher wages.

G31. Married men are emotionally healthier.

G32. Married men experience a decreased risk of drug and alcohol abuse.

G33. Married men have better relationships with their children.

G34. Men who are married experience a more satisfying sexual relationship.

G35. Men who are married are less likely to commit violent crimes.

G36. Men who are married are less likely to contract STD's.

G37. Men who are married are less likely to attempt or commit suicide.



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- G38.** Communities with high marriage rates have higher rates of physically healthy citizens.
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- G39.** Communities with more married couples have higher rates of emotionally healthy citizens.
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- G40.** Communities with more married couples have higher rates of educated citizens.
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- O41.** Communities with more married couples have lower domestic violence rates.
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- O42.** Communities with more married couples have lower crime statistics.
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- O43.** Communities with more married couples have lower teen age pregnancy rates.
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- O44.** Communities with more married couples have lower rates of juvenile delinquency.
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- O45.** Communities with more married couples have higher rates of home ownership.
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- O46.** Communities with more married couples have lower rates of migration.
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- O47.** Communities with more married couples have higher property values.
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- O48.** Communities with more married couples have a decreased need for social services.
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- O49.** Marriage is an important social good.
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- O50.** The benefits of marriage extend to poor and minority communities.