**Relationship Power Inventory (RPI)**

OVERALL RPI

For each statement, rate how true it is of you and your partner **generally in your relationship.**

**1 2 3 4 5 6 7**

**Not Sometimes Always**

**At all**

1. I have more say than my partner does when we make decisions in our relationship
2. I have more control over decision making than my partner does in our relationship.
3. When we make decisions in our relationship, I get the final say.
4. I have more influence than my partner does on decisions in our relationship.
5. I have more power than my partner when deciding about issues in our relationship.
6. I am more likely than my partner to get my way when we disagree about issues in our relationship.
7. My partner has more say than I do when we make decisions in our relationship.\*
8. My partner has more control over decision making than I do in our relationship.\*
9. When we make decisions in our relationship, my partner gets the final say.\*
10. My partner has more influence than I do on decisions in our relationship.\*
11. My partner has more power than me when deciding about issues in our relationship.\*
12. My partner is more likely to get his/her way than me when we disagree about issues in our relationship.\*
13. I am more likely than my partner to start discussions about issues in our relationship.
14. When my partner and I make decisions in our relationship, I tend to structure and lead the discussion.
15. I lay out the options more than my partner does when we discuss decisions in our relationship.
16. I tend to bring up issues in our relationship more often than my partner does.
17. My partner is more likely than me to start discussions about issues in our relationship.\*
18. When my partner and I make decisions in our relationship, my partner tends to structure and lead the discussion.\*
19. My partner lays out the options more than I do when we discuss decisions in our relationship.\*
20. My partner tends to bring up issues in our relationship more often than I do.\*

\*Reverse scored item

RELATIONSHIP DOMAINS RPI

Couples frequently need to make decisions together. However, different couples have different relationship domains, or general categories of issues, that are most important to them. Below is a list of 10 common decision-making domains for romantic couples.

Choose the 5-7 domains that are most important in your relationship. Then rate how important each of those four domains is relative to one another in terms of a percentage. The higher the percentage you assign to a domain, the more important that domain should be. In making your ratings, consider not only how frequently issues come up in that domain but also how significant or impactful issues in that domain are to you and your partner. Ratings for the 5-7 domains must sum to 100%.

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| Family and Friends (e.g., Whose family to spend Thanksgiving with, whose friends to hang out with this weekend) | % |
| Finances (e.g., Setting up a household budget, how to invest money) | % |
| Future Plans (e.g., Where to move, what job to take) | % |
| How to Spend Time Together (e.g., What to do this weekend, what to do for your anniversary) | % |
| Parenting (e.g., How many kids to have, how to discipline children) | % |
| Purchases (e.g., What kind of car to buy, what renovations should be made on the house) | % |
| Relationship Issues (e.g., Communication issues, if/when to get married) | % |
| Religion (e.g., What holidays to celebrate, how much time/money to invest in religious groups) | % |
| Vacations (e.g., Where to go on vacation, what to do while on vacation) | % |
| When/How Much Time Together (e.g., When to spend time together vs. doing your own thing, how much time to spend together vs. working or seeing friends) | % |

[[*To be completed for each domain rated >0% on previous page*]]

For each statement, rate how true it is of you and your partner in your relationship regarding issues in this domain.   
  
Domain: Family and Friends (e.g., Whose friends to spend time with, whose family to spend holidays with)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Never Sometimes Always

1. I have more say than my partner does when we make decisions in this domain
2. I have more control over decision making than my partner does in this domain.
3. When we make decisions in this domain, I get the final say.
4. I have more influence than my partner does on decisions in this domain.
5. I have more power than my partner when deciding about issues in this domain.
6. I am more likely than my partner to get my way when we disagree about issues in this domain.
7. My partner has more say than I do when we make decisions in this domain.\*
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13. I am more likely than my partner to start discussions about issues in this domain.
14. When my partner and I make decisions in this domain, I tend to structure and lead the discussion.
15. I lay out the options more than my partner does when we discuss decisions in this domain.
16. I tend to bring up issues in this domain more often than my partner does.
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18. When my partner and I make decisions in this domain, my partner tends to structure and lead the discussion.\*
19. My partner lays out the options more than I do when we discuss decisions in this domain.\*
20. My partner tends to bring up issues in this domain more often than I do.\*

\*Reverse scored item

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