



Myths & Facts on Domestic Violence & Teen Relationship Abuse

On the line next to each statement, check “M” if you think the statement is a myth, or “F” if you think it is fact. After taking this survey, when you are given the answers, write the FACTS about the issue on the line below each statement.

1. Domestic violence usually only happens in married adult couples. M. _____ F. _____

2. Boyfriends and girlfriends sometimes push each other around when they get angry, but it rarely results in anyone getting seriously hurt. M. _____ F. _____

3. While females can be abusive and abuse happens in same-sex couples too, it is much more common for males to abuse their female partners. M. _____ F. _____

4. If a mother is abused by her children's father, the children are also likely to be abused. M. _____ F. _____

5. Most people will end a relationship if their boyfriend or girlfriend hits them. M. _____ F. _____

6. People abuse their partners because they can't control their anger. M. _____ F. _____

7. Most men who abuse their partners grew up in violent homes. M. _____ F. _____

8. If a person is really being abused, it's easy to just leave. M. _____ F. _____

9. Most rapes are committed by strangers who attack women at night on the streets. M. _____ F. _____

10. A pregnant woman is at an even greater risk of physical abuse. M. _____ F. _____

11. Relationship abuse happens most often among blacks and Hispanics. M. _____ F. _____

12. People who are abused often blame themselves for their abuse. M. _____ F. _____
