

**Discussion Questions**  
*Week 12*  
*Monday - Relationship Violence*  
*Wednesday - Relationships and Technology*

*Shackelford et al. (2005)*

1. This study mainly focused on males inflicting violence on their female partners and there was evolutionary support for such behaviors but can the opposite argument be made to the same effect? Can women also have a strong inclination toward violence if their source(s) of resources was threatened and jealousy was aroused?

*Johnson (2006)*

2. It was stated that males that utilize their “male privilege” often make use of their children for support in their arguments. Could the tactic of manipulating children for argumentative support have effects on the development of attachments to their parents? What would the attachment styles be for the father and for the mother?

3. How do social networks affect one’s ability to cope, withstand, or fight back against a violent partner? Could social networks be influential in the decisions made by the victim in regards to what to do with the relationship?

*Finkel et al. (2009)*

4. Would a socialized norm of partner violence have a confounding effect on the “gut-level violent impulses” that a partner acts on over one’s “self-controlled preferences for nonviolent conflict resolution”? In societies where it is more acceptable to have a dominating and violent partner, is there less self-control over peaceful resolutions and more immediacy for violent responses?

*Dibble & Drouin (2004)*

5. Modern technology creates many channels for people to explore and find “back burners” through, would people with insecure attachment styles be more or less likely to utilize them?

6. Would people that have an anxious attachment be more likely to have “back burners” even when they are in committed relationships because modern resources allow them to acquire more resources to fulfill their intrinsic needs? What about avoidantly attached individuals?

7. Does the excessive amount of social networking channels affect one’s likelihood to cheat?

*Emery, Muise, Dix, & Le (2014)*

8. To what extent would the level of support or type of reactions perceived from one’s social networks (via electronic or personal interactions) affect the visibility of a relationship on Facebook or any other social media network?

9. Does perceived level of support or type of reactions influence the relationship itself? To what extent is the perceived relationship acceptance/rejection of social networks internalized?

*LeFebvre, Blackburn, & Brody (2014)*

10. Does attachment style facilitate certain post-breakup online behaviors? Would attachment styles facilitate or mitigate one’s use of online resources and affect the breakup?