



LAES has developed a series of immigrant issue instructional modules entitled "Tierra de Oportunidad" for orientation to our complex society.

Date: _____

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Student Survey Men's Changing Roles Please answer the following questions so that you and the instructor can have a better idea how much you already know about the subject of Men's Changing Roles. By this we mean, what non-traditional activities men sometimes do.

1. Have you ever talked with friends or relatives about men you have seen who are in occupations you sometimes wouldn't have expected to see them, for example in nursing or as office assistants or as teachers; and that they sometimes they are responsible for things which some people think is women's responsibility, like taking care of children, or cooking at home?

___ Yes, often

___ Yes, a few times

___ No, never

2. How much do you believe that the roles played by men and women from other countries have to change when they move to the United States? For example, women may have to work or drive and men may have to take care of children or do some of the housework?

___ The roles have to change a lot

___ The roles have to change a little

___ The roles don't have to change

___ Not sure

3. Please help Marie and Fred.

Background: Fred has been working as a mechanic in a shop and can pretty much set the hours he works, and Marie has been staying home as much as possible and taking care of the kids, they have two children both under 8 years old. Sometimes Marie has been providing childcare to other children to bring in extra money. Fred has been making substantial money, but Marie has not, and they really need more. Now, because of someone she has met during the time she has been doing child care, Marie has a chance to get a job in a law office that pays \$11.00 an hour. The opportunity seems great, but in talking about it with Fred they both realized the changes it would bring. The hours for the job would be from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., at least that's what they told her she would have to expect; and perhaps even later when there were deadlines. Fred has mentioned the new job possibility to some of his friends and they have joked with him that he should become "a house husband" and learn how to really be taken care of; but he hasn't liked this idea very much. Marie has suggested that they go talk with a couple where the husband and wife both work and talk to them about how it has worked.

Please write a short paragraph suggesting to Marie and Fred strategies they could use to relieve the pressure of becoming a two worker household.

