



*Report for:*



**BRIE & LEIF JENSEN**

*Married: 7/13/2005 Date Completed: 8/17/2016*

# WELCOME TO DEEP LOVE

“Above  
all, love  
each  
other  
deeply.

1 Peter 4:8

Brie & Leif,

Congratulations on completing your Deep Love Assessment.

You're about to experience an incredibly practical journey together as you learn how to make your relationship everything you want it to be.

Your report is a customized map, highly personalized, for finding deep and abiding love together.

As you begin your Deep Love journey:

- You'll want to use the downloadable *Deep Love Action Plan*. This is essential.
- Put a minimum of four Deep Love Dates on your calendar together to review your report and enjoy the guided discussions in your *Deep Love Action Plan*.
- Prepare your heart and mind for your Deep Love Dates. If you're tired, cranky, or distracted, reschedule. You'll want to be fully present, respectful and open to learning together.

Deep Love works great for couples in groups or individual couples on their own. It's for couples who want to move from bad to better as well as those moving from good to great and beyond.

Every couple wants a love that sinks its roots deep into their relationship. And that's exactly what this resource can do for you.

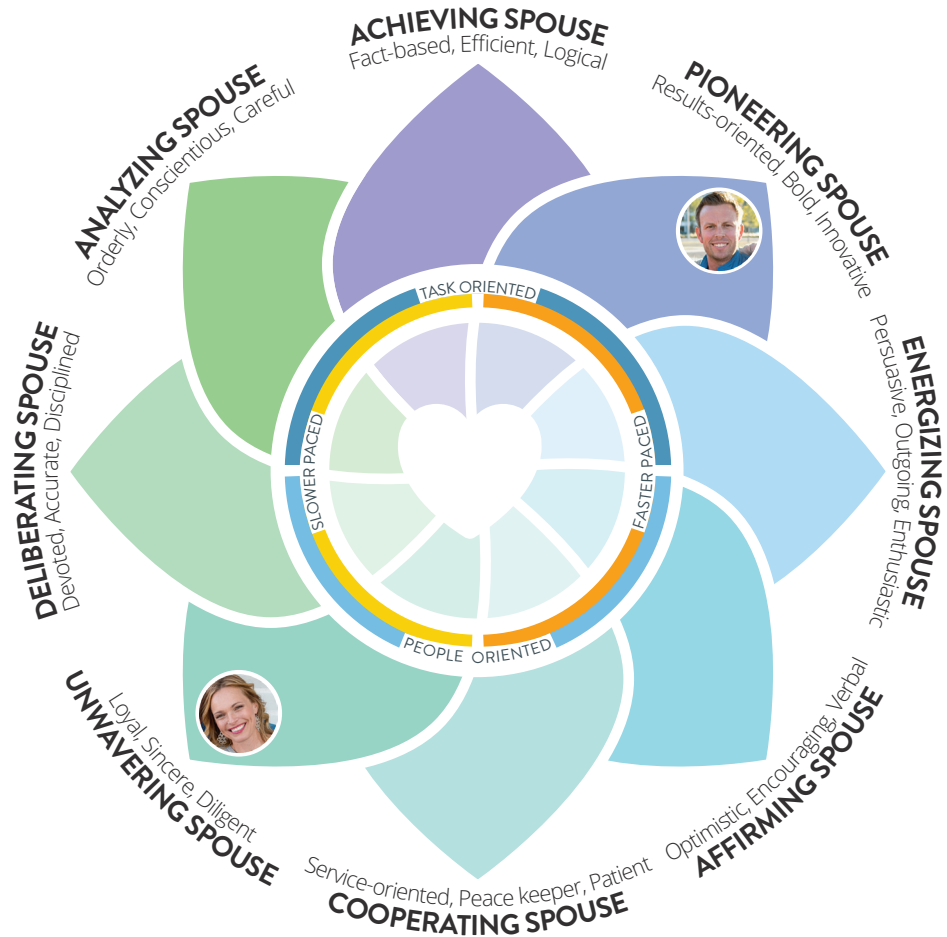
With every good wish and prayer,



A blue ink handwritten signature that reads "Les &amp; Leslie".

*Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott  
Founders, Deep Love*

# PERSONALITY *When it comes to personalities, there's no right or perfect combination. The key is appreciating your differences.*



## UNWAVERING SPOUSE

You may demonstrate positive possessiveness by developing strong attachments; however, you will not be overly involved as some others tend to do. You are a good friend and are always willing to help those you consider to be your friends. You also show strong ties, and will be uncomfortable when separated from your friends for an extended period. You show self-control in most things you do; you are not an extremist. Your spouse may see you as stable, mature, and steadfast. Socially, you tend to be a "homebody" preferring your house and yard to faraway places with strange sounding names. This may cause stress if your spouse wants to see the world.



## PIONEERING SPOUSE

You may be restless and may display anxiety by failing to sit quietly through any situation in which you have no opportunity for involvement. You make fast decisions and quickly respond to new ideas and activities. You may encourage your spouse to participate as well. You show a high activity level in all that you do. The fast pace by which you accomplish tasks and the variety of interests you show measures your activity level. Few dull moments prevail with you. Your response indicates that you may become so absorbed in your many activities that you occasionally lose sight of the balance required in your life.



*Identify the top 1 or 2 statements from your paragraph that you agree with most about yourself. Give some examples that explain why these are true.*

# PERSONALITY *The combination of your two personalities can be mapped out to discover how you are hard-wired to give and receive love.*

## YOUR DYNAMICS: UNWAVERING SPOUSE + PIONEERING SPOUSE

You have a rare combination of personalities and your marriage is likely to be a bit of a balancing act because you are polar opposites. Leif (Pioneering) is moving fast and focused on results while Brie (Unwavering) is easy going and focused on people. This is not a bad thing as long as you both respect and value one another's different styles. In fact, you're likely to compliment one another and balance each other out in many ways. But make no mistake, Leif (Pioneering) is likely to take the lead in most situations. Brie (Unwavering) will need to speak up on occasion to be heard. Again, appreciating and valuing each other's personalities will be key to your marriage.



*What do you think and feel about the shared dynamics of your two personalities and how they mix? What can you do, in practical terms, to leverage your Dynamics?*



### STRENGTHS YOU BRING TO THE RELATIONSHIP



- Invigorated by a good challenge.
- Perseveres when the going gets tough.
- Heartfelt and humble disposition.
- Excellent listener.
- Considerate and accommodating.

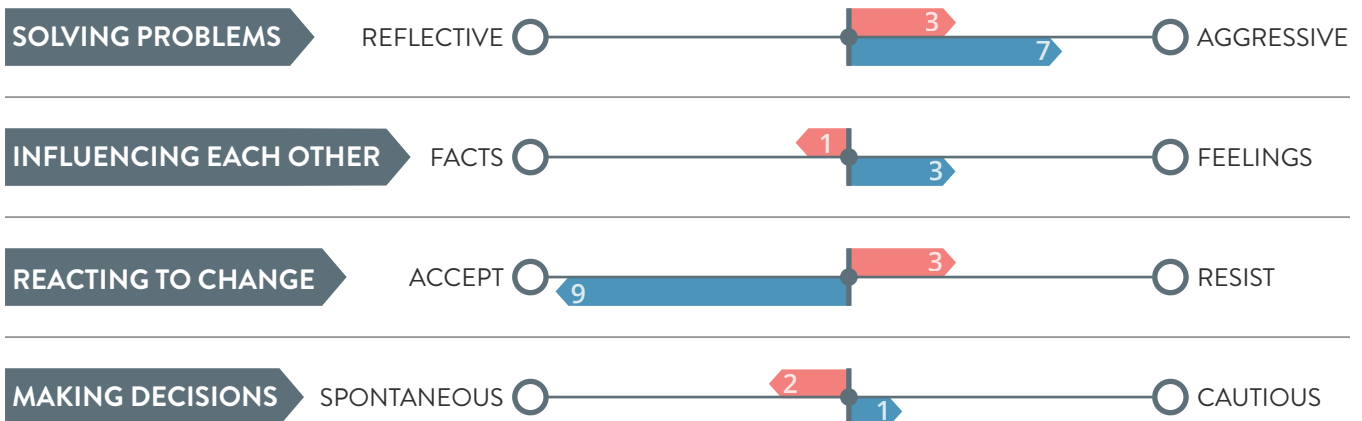
- Brings spontaneity and fun.
- Perseveres when the going gets tough.
- Keeps us from getting stuck in a rut.
- Energy to get things started quickly.
- Engenders excitement and involvement.



*Identify the top 1 or 2 statements you agree with most about yourself. Explain why. Note the top strength you appreciate about your partner.*

*Brie top / Leif bottom*

### YOUR STYLES



*Consider some real life examples in your relationship where these play out. How can you genuinely appreciate your differences in these four categories?*

# COMMUNICATION

*The more understanding and better understood each of you feels, the stronger your relationship.*

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## UNWAVERING SPOUSE

You're typically on the quiet side, keeping many of your feelings carefully hidden from view. You have no need to tell drawn-out and dramatic stories, nor are you compelled to rush a conversation to its point. You don't divulge details unless you're asked about them. You approach your conversations with a sense of serenity and calm and your partner needs to patiently draw you out. Even if something's urgent or exciting, you express it evenly, without heightened emotions. You tend to speak slowly and deliberately.



## PIONEERING SPOUSE

Direct and to the point. That pretty well sums it up for you, doesn't it? You're not designed for meandering conversations that have endless bunny trails with little or no point. They aren't a part of your make up and you don't want them to be a part of your marriage unless you have intentionally prepared your mind and carved out your time to have one. Nope, your goal in a conversation is to gather the essential information you need and to convey information that you believe your partner needs to know. That's it. Enough said. Too blunt? Well, that's how your partner may sometimes feel.



*What do you agree or disagree with? Why? What real life examples come to mind in illustrating your talk style?*

## HOW YOU LIKE YOUR PARTNER TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU

- Present ideas logically and efficiently.
- Listen patiently and tune into feelings.
- Be open to my pointed questions.
- Ask me specific questions.
- Focus on concrete results.
- Attempt to isolate him from potential interruptions.
- Ask me specific questions.
- Provide options rather than complaints.
- Invite humor into our conversations.
- Be brief, clear, and to the point.



*Select the two you resonate with most. Explain why they are important to you. Give examples of when and how they can do this for you. How can you help your partner succeed?*

## COMMUNICATION SKILLS YOU'D LIKE TO IMPROVE

- Permitting productive conflict
- Inviting and receiving feedback
- Not being distracted by my phone

**BRIE**

- Reserving opinion until the right time
- Inviting and receiving feedback
- Knowing when to talk and when not to

**LEIF**



*Why did you each choose these items? In practical terms, how can you improve and help each other in the process? Give examples.*

# INTIMACY *What is love? Perhaps it's no surprise that everyone seems to have their own answer. After all, each of us is hardwired uniquely for love.*

## HOW YOU VIEW LOVE IN PRACTICAL TERMS



### UNWAVERING SPOUSE

Being reassured that we are together on the same team.



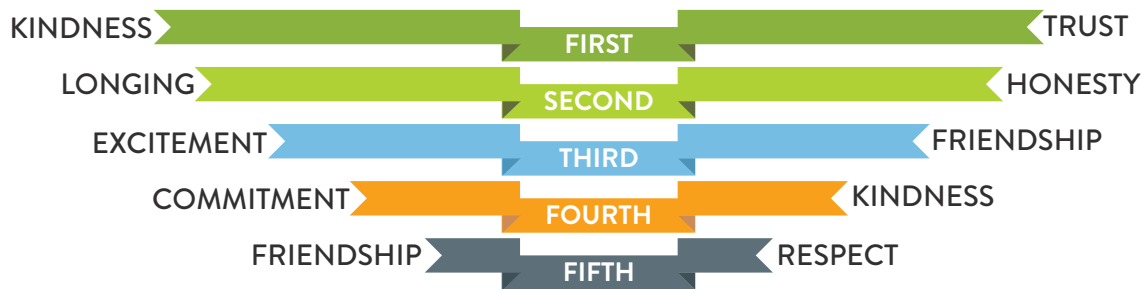
### PIONEERING SPOUSE

Being intentional and active about building our future together.



*What aspects of your definition do you agree with most and how would you elaborate on it? How can you help your partner love you in ways you most desire? Use concrete examples.*

## HOW YOU DEFINE LOVE



*How do your top desires compare? Elaborate on the qualities you chose. How would each of you complete this sentence: "The thing that would improve our love life most for me..."*

## LET'S TALK ABOUT SEX

*How do you rate your desire?*

8	10
BRIE	LEIF

*Are you comfortable talking about sex?*

MOSTLY	ABSOLUTELY
BRIE	LEIF

*My attentiveness to partner's needs?*

6	8
BRIE	LEIF

*How often do you expect to have sex?*

EVERY OTHER DAY	EVERY OTHER DAY
BRIE	LEIF



*As you think about your love life, what other sexual issues or questions come to mind? What issue related to sexuality causes some anxiety for you?*

# CONFLICT *Conflict is inevitable, even for loving couples. But when you learn to fight a good fight, you can use conflict to bring you closer.*



## UNWAVERING SPOUSE

You lean toward being traditional, rather than innovative or creative. You need the understanding and support of your spouse and others when making high-risk decisions. Being comfortable in doing something familiar, you may create a "rut" of doing the same routine repeatedly. You should try some new methods in doing routine activities, or have others help you. You usually appear as emotionally mature and logical in your approach to things. Most of your actions are carefully thought out beforehand. You work to balance thinking and logic, people and things.



## PIONEERING SPOUSE

You may be an impatient individual who has the capacity to juggle many balls in the air, and are always searching for more and more. Others may see you as a bold, takecharge, assertive type of person, but you also can be playful, informal and easy to get to know. People look to you for your problem-solving abilities. They see your drive and eagerness to overcome obstacles and solve problems. You will attack problems that challenge you. The challenge and the possibility of doing new or different things motivates you.



*What do you agree or disagree with? Why? Select two or three statements from your paragraph that you agree with most and explain how they may influence conflicts.*

## PERSONAL CONFLICT CHALLENGES

*These can limit your ability to successfully manage conflict*

- Criticism from your partner can get the best of you when you take it personally.
- You may become resistant to opportunities for enlarging your social circle.
- You sometimes neglect to prioritize and this can sometimes cause you to be inefficient.
- You tend to hold a grudge if feeling slighted or unappreciated.
- You can sometimes seek change for change's sake. You may change priorities daily.
- You sometimes have difficulty finding balance between fun and work.
- You try to keep too many balls in the air at the sametime, impacting your relationship.
- You can become oblivious to problems slow paced people have with your fast pace.



*What do you resonate with most from each list? Explore why these happen and discuss what you can both do to grow in these areas. Use real life examples.*

## HOT TOPICS

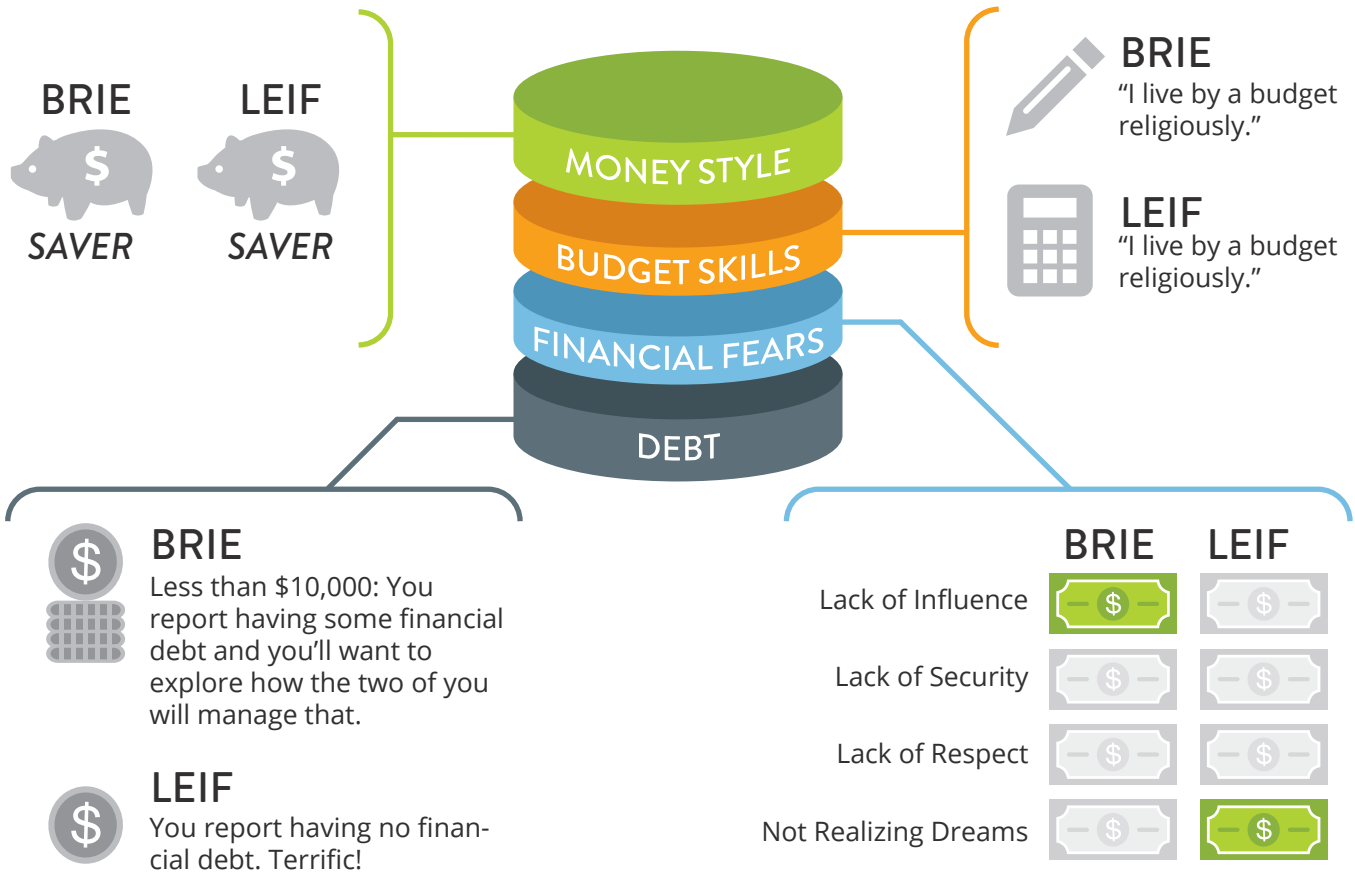
*Every couple has a list of issues that are prone to conflict. Your hot topics, listed in priority below, are most likely to spark tension for the two of you:*



*Knowing these topics are likely to spark tension, how can you use this information to curb conflicts? Give a concrete example of how you can better manage each one.*

# FINANCES *A healthy "money talk" will curtail countless currency conflicts before they happen. Understanding each other's financial perspective goes a long way.*

## MONEY MATRIX



*What concerns you most about money matters in your relationship and why?  
 What gives you peace about your financial future?*

## MONEY TALKS

*To minimize friction over finances, you'll want to keep the communication channels clear. Completing these sentences together will help you do just that:*

- In my home growing up, money was...
- When I think about our financial future...
- What you may not know about money and me is...
- The thing I appreciate about you in relationship to money is...
- When it comes to money, I'd like to improve my...
- One specific action we could take right now that would help me is...



*What's one practical action step you can both take within the next month to ensure your relationship is on the best financial path?*



# ADAPTABILITY *Your ability to adjust to things beyond your control is one of the most important factors in enjoying lifelong love together.*

*The percentages depict how optimistic, adaptable and resilient you are when faced with a challenge.*



Maintaining resilience can be challenging for you. When faced with an unforeseen difficulty, you occasionally struggle to maintain an up-beat attitude. Worry can sometimes get the best of you and your attitude.



Your resilience level is high. Relative to others, you are an optimistic person and you generally do a good job of adjusting to circumstances beyond your control. You're generally up-beat and positive.



*What do you think about your results? What about your partner's? In specific terms, how will the two of you adjust to an unfavorable circumstance? Real life examples?*

## WHEN YOU FACE A CHALLENGE

*Based on your personality profiles, here are your natural coping tendencies when life becomes demanding.*

### UNWAVERING SPOUSE

- THOUGHTFUL ●
- CONSIDERATE ●
- GOOD LISTENER ●
- DEPENDABLE ●
- GOOD-NATURED ●



### PIONEERING SPOUSE

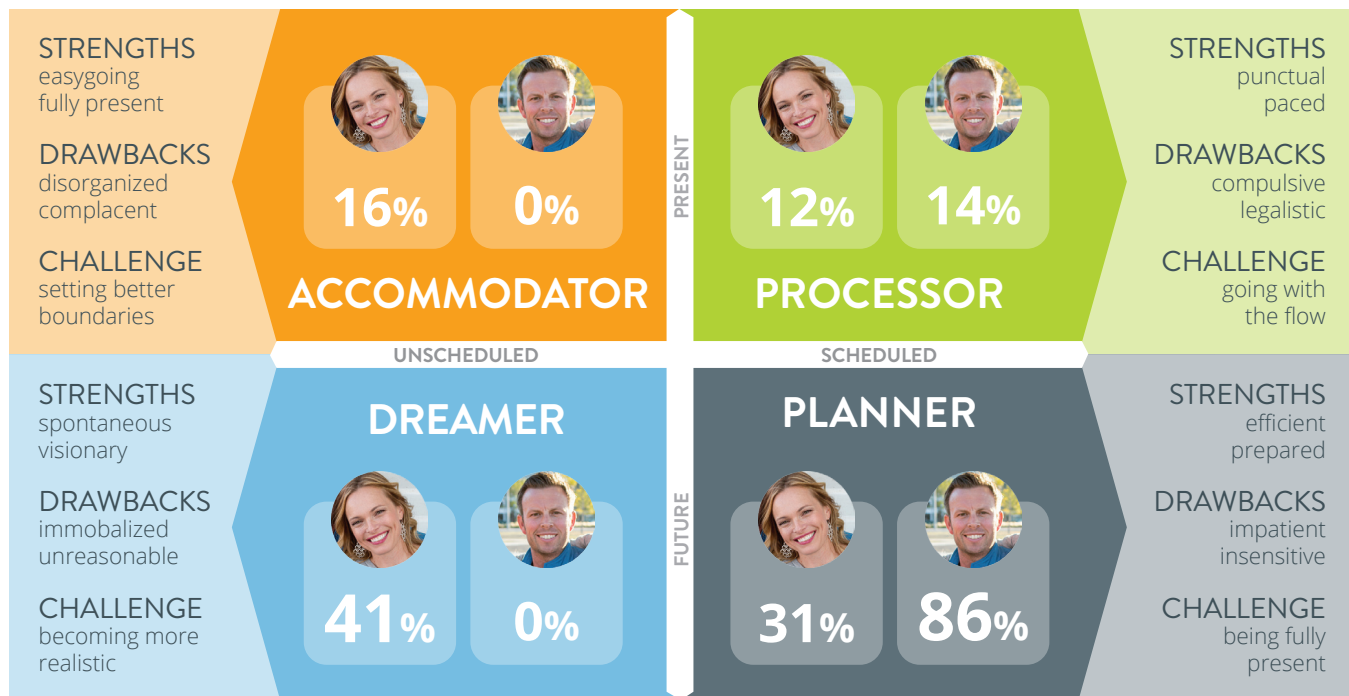
- ACTIVE ●
- IMPATIENT ●
- FLEXIBLE ●
- ENERGETIC ●
- ALERT ●

## HOW YOUR PARTNER MAY PERCEIVE YOU UNDER STRESS



*What do you agree or disagree with? Why? Think of a real life scenario where you saw this to be true. What could you have done to be easier to live with?*

# TIME *Feeling overscheduled and underconnected? Understanding your two "time styles" can help you reclaim the moments you've been missing together.*



## DREAMER

You are more unscheduled about your future than Leif and this is where you will sometimes find friction between your two time styles. To maximize your time together, be aware of how your dreaming can sometimes irritate Leif. Why? Because Leif may see your dreaming as impractical. After all, you are not nearly as objective and scheduled. Acknowledge that your style is not as concrete as your partner's. Even poke fun at yourself regarding this to let him know it's not always easy to live with. Next, recognize the immeasurable value Leif brings to your marriage as a Planner. As you are probably already aware, it's often a Planner that makes a Dreamer's dream a reality. Also, the two of you can probably benefit from putting a little bit more of your energy on the here-and-now together in your marriage.



## PLANNER

If your marriage was a time machine, it would be fueled with high octane and headed to the future. Relative to other couples, neither of you spend much time wallowing in the past – or even the present. Not that you don't respect the here-and-now, but you are both pulled into what could be. As a result, the two of you can sometimes miss out on the very best times you might have together. You can guard against this by being deliberate in your pace. As a Planner, you can do this well, when you decide to. You can schedule times to slow down and just be together. This can be a little tougher for some Dreamers, but Brie will soon see what a programmed sabbatical from focusing on the future can do for your marriage. Also, make sure you affirm Brie's style. Planners sometimes take good traits for granted.



*What is your greatest insight into your respective "time styles"?  
What's one practical thing you can do to reclaim more quality time together?*

# HARMONY

Knowing where you stand strongest together and where you might stand apart is a huge step in cultivating more harmony.

In descending order, here is your list of issues where you are most-to-least satisfied as a couple.

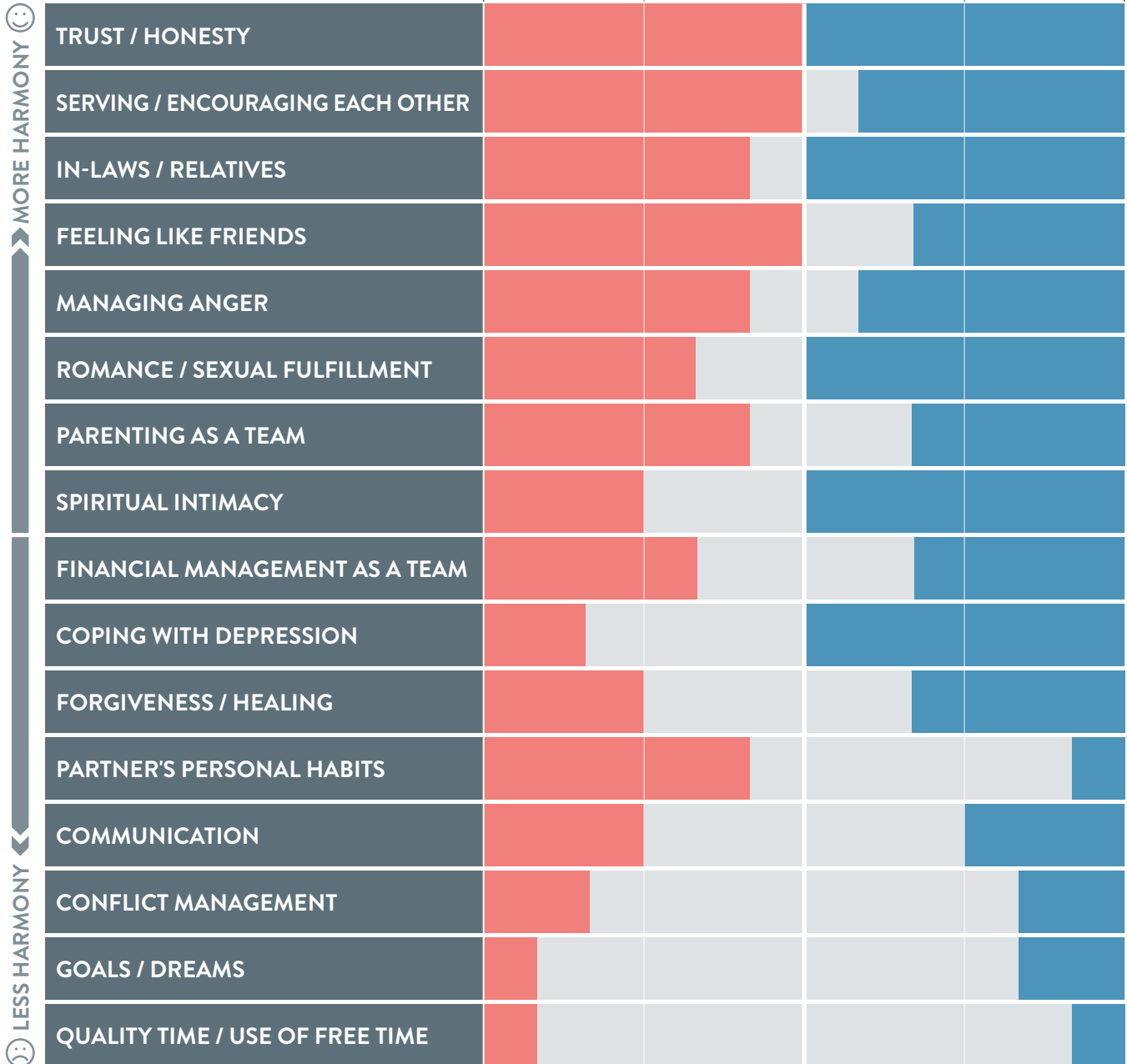


HER SATISFACTION

The closer the bars are to meeting in the middle, the greater mutual satisfaction.



HIS SATISFACTION



How can the two of you celebrate the areas where you are most happy and harmonious? What practical steps can you take to find more harmony near the bottom of the list?

# RESOURCES *You'll find lots of help for your relationship at LesandLeslie.com, including books and videos. Here are a few additional highlights.*

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## SMALL GROUP RESOURCES

Are you using DeepLove in a small group or class? We've got you covered with participant and leader guides along with a group DVD kit. Find all the resources at: [LesandLeslie.com/DeepLove](http://LesandLeslie.com/DeepLove)

## SYMBIS ASSESSMENT

Based on the best-selling book, *Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts* (SYMBIS), this world-renowned assessment is for every engaged couple. Learn more: [SYMBISassessment.com](http://SYMBISassessment.com)



## BECOME A MARRIAGE MENTOR

If you're in a happy and healthy marriage, you may be prime candidates for mentoring other couples. Learn how you can become a certified Marriage Mentor couple: [MarriageMentoring.com](http://MarriageMentoring.com)



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