

I chose two articles with opposing viewpoints; I need to summarize the articles as outlined below. Compare the two viewpoints and comment on the controversy or debate presented in these two articles. Talk about the authors' perspectives. You can then express your own reaction to this controversy. The goal is to integrate the two opposing viewpoints in one coherent essay (not two separate essays). Be sure to include proper documentation for the articles. It is strongly preferred that you use APA style. Your paper should:

- summarize the main points or viewpoints of the articles
- compare and contrast the opposing ideas
- explain how these articles relate to topics or readings from the course -- this is VERY important so try to choose your articles/topics with this aspect of the assignment in mind. The books covered in this course are:

A) Caroline B. Brettell and Carolyn F. Sargent (eds.). *Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective* (5th Edition). Prentice Hall, 2009,

B) Suzanne La Font. *Constructing Sexualities: Readings in Sexuality, Gender and Culture*. Prentice Hall, 2003

C) Ann Jones. *Kabul in Winter: Life Without Peace in Afghanistan*. Metropolitan Books, 2006

- comment on how this debate/controversy contributes to our study of sex and gender

Article #1

Glass Ceiling News.(Brief Article).Lisa Stein.

***U.S. News & World Report* 135.21 (Dec 15, 2003): p14.**

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What's wrong with this picture? A congressional study says that women who work full time earn on average 20 percent less than men. "It seems that still, at the root of it all, men get an inherent annual bonus just for being men," says Democratic Rep. Carolyn Maloney. "If this continues, the only guarantees in life will be death, taxes, and the glass ceiling." Among other findings of the General Accounting Office report: Men with children make 2 percent more than guys without kids, while women with children make 2.5 percent less than women without them. Maloney and Rep. John Dingell plan legislation to establish a center to study the issue.

"The pay gap is real, it is persistent, and it is costing hardworking families thousands of dollars annually," says Dingell. "The price of a family should not be a woman's career." Indeed.

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Article #2

Career Women.(Home Desk)(Letter to the editor).
The New York Times (Jan 23, 1997): pNA.
Reading Level (Lexile): 1830.

The New York Times

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To The Home Section:

When a man builds a million-dollar business from scratch, he receives unabated applause and his personal life gets no notice.

When a woman such as Lillian Vernon ("Sometimes a Great Notion," Jan. 17) builds a million-dollar business from her kitchen table, failures in her personal life are seized upon to buttress the stereotype that any woman who steps outside the approved locus of home and hearth to become a "career woman" will have to pay for that breach of traditional female roles by sacrificing her personal life.

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