

1. Psychologists in Western countries generally argue that fathers have an
2. important role to play in raising their children.
3. However, among the Mosuo people, who live in the Chinese Himalaya, biological
4. fathers play no role in raising their children at all—and the children seem no
5. worse for it.
6. In fact, this female-dominated society has been free of marriage and nuclear
7. families for over a thousand years.
8. One women's rights group celebrates this unique culture and suggests the belief
9. that fathers are a necessary part of a child's upbringing is the result of social
10. brainwashing.
11. But does the Mosuo culture really discount the fathering role of men? A closer
12. look shows that, instead of living as part of a nuclear family, men live together
13. with their mother and her extended family, and play a vital role looking after the

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22. **3) Who raises the children in the Mosuo society?**
23. *The uncles raise the children in the Mosuo society.*



24. Mosuo society is matriarchal.
25. Women do most of the labor, make important
26. family decisions, and own all property, which is handed down to female
27. offspring.
28. When it comes to romance, women and men never marry, and romantic partners
29. never live in the same household.
30. Many outside observers, misunderstanding this tradition, believe Mosuo women
31. have many romantic partners.
32. In fact, they normally have only one partner at any given time, and often have
33. only one or two such relationships throughout their lives.

**Further Questions& Sample Answers**

34. **4) Who owns the property in Musuo society?**

35. *The women own all the property in Musuo society.*

36. **5) Do Musuo women have many romantic partners?**

37. *No, in fact they normally have only one partner at a time and often have only one*

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39. People also often assume that the “fatherless” Mosuo culture does not prioritize  
40. family ties.

41. In fact, the Mosuo simply value blood relations over the often unreliable bonds of  
42. romantic love.

43. Their extended matriarchal families provide a more stable environment than  
44. nuclear families in other societies, where divorce can prove disastrous for  
45. children.

46. The men themselves are content with their role in Mosuo society.

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56. *family that can be relied on to look after them in their old age.*

**\*Choose the correct answer from these choices.**

57. **(32) What does the author of the passage suggest is demonstrated by the way the**  
58. **Mosuo raise their children?**

59. **1.** Men can play an important role in child raising even when that role does not  
60. fit the expectations of other societies.

61. **2.** Children do not need to grow up with men in their household because women  
62. act as adequate role models by themselves.

63. **3.** Women benefit from a husband’s presence at home, but children are  
64. unaffected by growing up in an all-female household.

65. **4.** Children are likely to become more emotionally stable adults if their  
66. biological father helps to raise them.

67. (33) What do we learn about women in Musuo society?

68. 1. Tradition prohibits them from having more than one romantic partner in  
69. their lifetime.

70. 2. Those with romantic partners are viewed as unfit to serve as head of their  
71. household.

72. 3. Although they appear to hold all the power in the family, they are in fact  
73. guided by the opinions of men.

74. 4. They are responsible for supporting their family, and ownership of property  
75. is limited to them.

76. (34) One result of the Mosuo family structure is that

77. 1. children unhappy with their situation can choose whether they live with  
78. their biological mother or their biological father.

79. 2. households are not subject to the problems caused by unstable relationships  
80. between husbands and wives.

81. 3. men often fail to care for their nephews and nieces, which creates conflict

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99. *or two such relationships throughout their lives.*

100. 6) What family ties to the Musuo value more?

101. *The Musuo value blood relations over the often unreliable bonds of romantic*  
102. *love.*

103. 7) How do the extended matriarchal families provide a more stable  
environment?

104. *They provide a more stable environment because there is no divorce.*



105. 8) Why are the men in the Musuo society content with their roles?

106. They are content with their role because they are surrounded by a loving extended family that can be relied on to look after them in their old age.

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121. and play a vital role looking after the children of their sisters.

Further Questions& Sample Answers

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125. 欧米の国々の心理学者によってなされたどんな議論はモン族によって払拭されようとしていますか。

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127. their children seems to be dispelled by the Mosuo.

どこ 一(ひと)つの 女性権利(じょせいけんり)グループ ほのめかす 信念(しんねん)

128. 2) Where does one women's rights group suggest that the belief

父親(ちちおや) 必要(ひつよう)な

129. fathers are necessary comes from?

130. ある女性権利グループは、父親たちは必要であるという考えがどこからきているとほのめかしていますか。

131. They suggest the belief that fathers are a necessary part of a child's upbringing

~の結果(けっか) 社会(しゃかい)の 洗脳(せんノウ)

132. is the result of social brainwashing.

誰(だれ)が 育(そだ)てる 子供達(こどもたち) ~の中(なか)で モソ族社会(ぞくしゃかい)

133. 3) Who raises the children in the Mosuo society?

134. モソ族社会でだれが子どもたちを育てますか。

叔父達(おじたち) 育(そだ)てる 子供達(こどもたち) ~の中(なか)で モソ族社会(ぞくしゃかい)

135. The uncles raise the children in the Mosuo society.

モソ族社会(ぞくしゃかい) 女家長制(じょかちょうせい) 女性達(じょせいたち)する たくさんの 労働(ろうどう) ~する

136. Mosuo society is matriarchal. Women do most of the labor, make

重要(じゅうよう)な 家族(かぞく)の 決断(けつだん) 所有(しゅゆう)する 全(すべ)ての 財産(ざいさん)、資産(しさん)

137. important family decisions, and own all property,

子孫(しそん)に伝(つた)える 女性(じょせい)の 子孫(しそん)

138. which is handed down to female offspring

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147. The women own all the property in Mosuo society.

モソ族(ぞく)の女性達(じょせいたち) 持(も)つ たくさんの 恋人(こいびと)

148. 5) Do Mosuo women have many romantic partners?

149. モソ族の女性はたくさんの恋人を持っていますか。

実際(じっさい) 普通(ふつう)は 持(も)つ たった ひとりの 恋人(こいびと) しばしば

150. No, in fact they normally have only one partner at a time and often have only one or two such relationships throughout their lives.

人々(ひとびと) ~もまた しばしば 想定(そうてい)する 父親(ちちおや)なし モソ族(ぞく) 文化(ぶんか)

151. People also often assume that the "fatherless" Mosuo culture does

優先(ゆうせん)させる 絆(きずな)

152. not prioritize family ties.

簡単(かんたん)に 評価(ひょうか)する 血縁(けつえん)の 関係(かんけい) ~をこえて

153. In fact, the Mosuo simply value blood relations over the often unreliable bonds of romantic love.

広(ひろ)がった 女家長制(じょかちょうせい)の 与(あた)える より 安定(あんてい)した

154. Their extended matriarchal families provide a more stable

環境(かんきょう) ~よりも 核家族(かくかぞく) 他(ほか)の 社会(しゃかい) 離婚(りこん)

155. environment than nuclear families in other societies, where divorce can

証明 (しょうめい) する 悲惨 (ひさん) な ~にとって 子供達 (こどもたち)

156. prove disastrous for children .  
 彼 (かれ) ら自身 (じしん) ~に満 (み) ち足 (た) りる 彼 (かれ) らの役目 (やくめ)
157. The men + themselves are content with their role in Mosuo society.  
 結局 (けっぎょく) 困 (かこ) まれている ~によって 拡大家族 (かくだいかぞく)
158. After all, they are surrounded by a loving extended family that can be  
 ~を頼 (たよ) る 世話 (せわ) をする
159. relied on to look after them in their old age.

## Further Questions& Sample Answers



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160. 6) What family ties to the Musuo value more?

161. モソ族にとってどんな家族の絆はより価値がありますか。  
 血 (ち) のつながり

162. The Musuo value blood relations over the often unreliable bonds of  
 163. romantic love.  
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164. 7) How do the extended matriarchal families provide a more stable  
 165. environment?

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by the way the mosuo raise their children.

171. 著者の文章はモソ族の子育ての仕方から何を提案しますか。

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 重要 (じゅうよう) な 役割 (やくわり) 子育て (こそだ) て  
 予想 (よそう) 社会 (しゃかい)  
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 成長 (せいちょう) する  
 十分 (じゅうぶん) な  
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 利益 (りえき) を得 (え) る 存在 (そんざい)  
 影響 (えいきょう) をうけない 家族 (かぞく)  
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 育 (そだ) てる  
 感情的 (かんじょうてき) に  
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177. 私達はモソ族の女性について何を学びますか。

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満足 (まんぞく) する 役割 (やくわり) 困 (かこ) まれる

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