TRIAL MARRIAGE: YES OR NO?

In 30 seconds, answer the following question:

• What do you think about living together before getting married?
Topic: Trial Marriage

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Use at least six words related to the topic
- Create simple sentences about the topic
- Have a conversation about the topic
- Avoid some common grammar and pronunciation mistakes
Let’s start!

Answer the following questions in 60 seconds.

1. What is trial marriage?
2. What are the advantages and disadvantages of trial marriage?

Suggestions:

✓ Save money
✓ Avoid arguments
✓ Get to know each other more.
✓ Etc.
Vocabulary

Pair Work: Student A reads a definition from column A.
Student B matches it with a word from column B, and makes a sentence.

A

- not suitable in a particular situation
- the person that you are married to or having a sexual relationship with
- being part of the beliefs, customs or way of life of a particular group of people, that have not changed for a long time
- a loving and/or sexual friendship between two people
- that will last or have an effect over a long period of time
- the legal ending of a marriage

B

1. **Divorce (n)** /dɪˈvɔːs/
2. **Inappropriate (adj)** /ˌɪnəˈprəʊpriət/ 
3. **Long-term (adj)** /lɒŋ-tɜːm/
4. **Relationship (n)** /rɪˈleɪʃɪp/
5. **Partner (n)** /ˈpɑːtnə(r)/
6. **Traditional (adj)** /trəˈdɪʃənl/

**Example:** According to this research, living together before married can decrease the **divorce** rates in USA.
Grammar

Structure:
An advantage/A disadvantage + of + Noun/noun phrase + is + V-ing/N.

Make a sentence using the given structure.

Example: An advantage of living together before getting married is saving money.

Suggestions:
✓ Learn more about your partner’s habits
✓ Enjoy spending more time together
✓ Understand your partner better
✓ Etc.
Pair work: Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of living together before marriage with your partner in 180 seconds.

Suggestions:

✓ **Advantages**: understand your partner; etc.

✓ **Disadvantages**: have arguments; break up before the marriage; etc.
## Common mistakes

### Grammar

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<td>• This will help to <em>heal</em> your cuts.</td>
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<td>• The town is set on a small <em>hill</em>.</td>
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### Others

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Assessments

Here are some comments on your performance

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Feel free to ask if you have any questions!
Wrap-up

✓ Words related to trial marriage.

✓ Structure:

An advantage/A disadvantage + of +

Noun/noun phase + is + V-ing/N.

✓ Have a conversation about trial marriage.

Please do your homework in the downloadable outline from the website!
Homework
Complete your mission and find more in related lessons.

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