

## ARE ALL TWINS ALIKE?

### Introduction

Hi,  
In this radio programme you are going to hear some new words. Read and listen to them. Make sure you know what they mean.

*cuddle*: abraçada / abrazo

*jealousy*: gelos / celos

*share*: compartir

*allocation*: assignació / asignación

Ready?

Now read the questions on the next page. Read them carefully before listening to this interview.

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An interview with Dr. Smith.

PRESENTER: You are listening to Radio Europe International. And after this song by Phil Collins, we turn to our next guest, Dr. Kerry Smith, from New Hampshire University. She has recently published *Twin Psychology. A Guide to Working with Multiples*, a book that summarises the research she's been carrying out for the last twenty years on twin and triplet psychology. In her book she examines the relationship between twins and triplets both before and after birth and as they mature. Good morning, Dr. Smith.

DR. SMITH: Good morning.

[Now listen to the rest of the interview]

## QUESTIONS

Choose the most appropriate answer according to Dr. Kerry Smith. Only one answer is correct. Look at number 0 as an example.

[0,25 points each correct answer]

0. *Twin Psychology. A Guide to Working with Multiples* is a book by Dr. Kerry Smith...

- which has won a prize.
  - which she always recommends.
  - which summarises her research.
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1. When does the relationship between twins begin?

- When they are born.
- After birth.
- Before birth.

2. Twins are...

- more jealous than other children.
- less jealous than other children.
- more strict than other children.

3. A lot of twins want to have exactly the same objects as the other twin because...

- they are jealous.
- they are dangerous.
- they are loved.

4. How do twins avoid jealousy?

- They play different roles when playing.
- They buy different things.
- One twin is closer to the mother and the other is closer to the father.

5. Who are more likely to compete with each other?

- A twin girl and a twin boy.
- Twin girls.
- Twin boys.

6. Why are some twins naughty both at home and at school?

- Because those are the places they feel secure in.
- Because they get bored at home.
- Because they want to call our attention.

7. What or who can alter the roles a girl twin and a boy twin have in the couple?

- The girl because she is the dominant twin.
- The family because they value boys more than girls.
- The boy because he is the dominant twin.

8. Some aspects of behaviour influenced by their being part of a twin group are...

- language and allocation of tasks.
- gestures and school learning.
- maths and finances.