



PREPAREfor opposition

Whatever goal or objective we are striving to achieve the enemy of that goal is an opposing force working against every step of progress with hopes to weaken our resolve. Opposition should not be a surprise guest in life or in building relationships; it should be expected. Our commitment to build a marriage relationship must reach beyond opposing resistance. We should expect to face opposition and we should plan to defeat it.

To overcome opposition our heart and mind must be set to never give up or quit. Not quitting must become more important than winning or losing. A person with the resolve not to quit has already won the most important battle.

One Word **enemy to Marriage**

Many significant words in the English language have an alter-ego opposite. For example, the ego opposite of up is down, the opposite of fast is slow and so on. Identify the opposing word for the single Marriage word you have chosen. Explain why the opposing word is such a threat to the relationship you want to build with your future spouse.

The critical ingredient for establishing a strong relationship in marriage can also become the element of opposition. When sacrifice is important to serving and supporting a relationship there are times where it shows up as a tension point if someone believes they alone are faithful to commitments made in the relationship. It is in that moment that a person's resolve to remain committed and not quit becomes more important than a win.

1. **What single word presents the greatest opposition against your Marriage relationship?**
single word that represents the greatest threat to your idea of marriage
2. **Why is this word such a great threat?**
explain the threats that would challenge the relationship