

ADOPTIVE PARENT AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Description of Self

Full name: _____ Name preferred to be called: _____

Height: _____ Weight: _____ Complexion: _____

Eye color: _____ Hair color: _____

Ethnic Ancestry: _____

Describe your personality (outgoing, shy, organized, determined, etc.):

How do you spend your leisure time (hobbies and other interests)?

What are your greatest strengths?

What are your greatest weaknesses?

What is your greatest desire right now?

Education

Provide information on your education, listing name and location of school, course of study, semesters completed, date of graduation, and degree received.

Employment History

Place of employment: _____

Type of work: _____

Length of time at present employment? _____

Positions held in the last five years:

What do you like and dislike about your job? What are your future career goals?

Family Information and Childhood

Name of father: _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____

Description of personality: _____

Name of mother: _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____

Description of personality: _____

Describe your parents' relationship during your childhood, and now:

Describe your relationship with your parents. Are they supportive of your plans to adopt?

If you have stepparent(s), describe your relationship:

Who administered discipline in your family? _____

What was the usual form of discipline? _____

Did your parents agree on the method of discipline administered? _____

How do you plan to discipline your children? _____

What were some of the saddest times in your life?

Courtship and Marriage

If you were married before, please provide the name of your former spouse, the dates of marriage and divorce, and the circumstances of the divorce.

How did you and your spouse meet, and how long did you date before you married?

What attracted you to your spouse?

What is your spouse's greatest strength?

What is your spouse's greatest weakness?

How are household duties divided?

Who handles the finances?

What do you most frequently disagree over?

How are disagreements resolved?

How are decisions made in your family?

What do you like to do as a couple?

Describe your relationship with your in-laws:

Children

Name: _____ DOB: _____
School grade: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____
Complexion: _____ Eye color: _____ Hair color: _____
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If no children describe any previous parenting experience:

Home and Community

Type of construction: _____ Square feet: _____ Lot size: _____
Number of bedrooms: _____ Number of baths: _____
Other rooms in the house: _____

Population of city: _____
Major source of employment: _____
What schools will your child attend? _____
Where is the nearest hospital? _____
Describe any pets you have. _____

Coping Abilities

Describe a particular crisis either in your childhood or during your marriage. What effect did it have on you? How did you deal with this crisis?

Motivation to Adopt

Why do you want to be a parent?

What is your motivation to consider adoption?

What do you consider to be “good” about adoption?

What do you consider to be “bad” about adoption?

How do you plan to tell your child about adoption?

Adoption Matters

What are your childcare plans for a child placed with you?

Do you have a will? _____

In the event of your untimely deaths, whom have you asked to be your child's guardian?
How do they feel about this responsibility?

Please provide any further information you feel would be helpful for us to know about you and your family.
