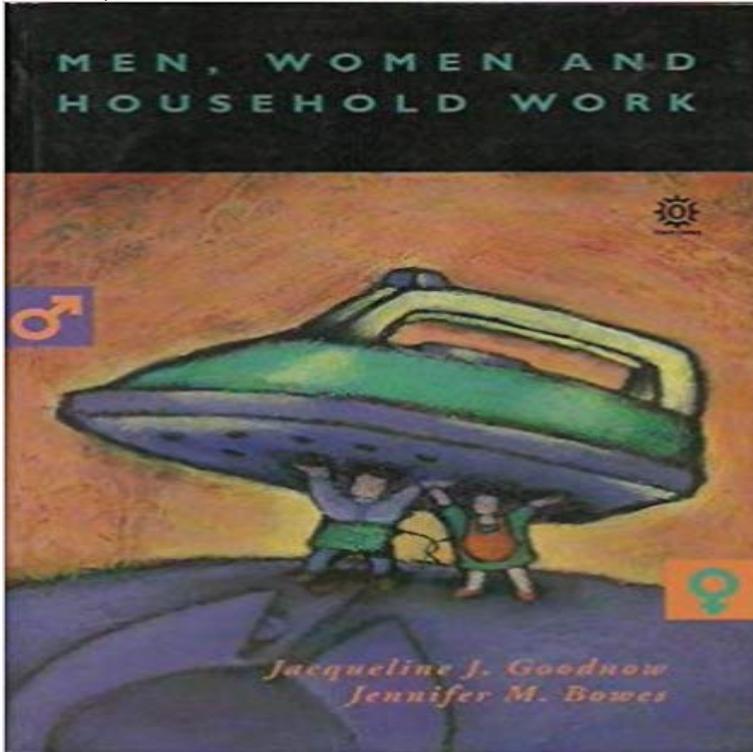


Men, Women and Household Work



As recent media coverage has dramatized, the issue of household work has become a major topic of discussion and debate. This book comprises a pathbreaking report on this timely subject. It explores different and more equitable ways of sharing household work, based on substantive interviews with fifty couples. The book examines the nature of domestic work patterns, the dynamics of work sharing, and how these structures influence the styles of talk and negotiation that couples use. It also reports on the principles and goals which influence sharing, such as fairness, the quality of a relationship, and standards and preferences within the workplace and home. It goes on to discuss how factors outside the relationship--friends, family, and the women's movement--affect the decision to share household work responsibilities, and how these agreements change and evolve. This entertaining and highly readable book uses the couples' own words to bring to life the way stereotypes are set aside and new patterns negotiated and established. It makes a major contribution to the understanding of gender, work, and relationships. In addition to its potential as a course text in classes on gender dynamics, the book will be of interest to all readers interested in the modern family and domestic relationships.

Canadian men are doing more chores around the house than they did in the past, but the bulk of unpaid work still falls to women especially. Women in the UK now spend an average of 2hr 12min per day doing household chores men average 1hr 9min. Photograph: Tatomm/Getty. New research in older adults reveals that women spend more time doing housework than men, and that this has important implications for theirMen increased their propensity to do housework and the increase was not a result of change in population composition, whereas for women it was a mix of Find out why women do more mental housework than men and how that can harm the relationship. Women consistently perform more housework than men do, Horne explains. Patterns of housework responsibility between men and women Dirty dishes in sink Photo: When women start to cohabit, their housework time goes up while mens goes down. (Flickr: miss pupik, CC-BY-2.0). Women do almost 40% more work around the house than men, says the Office for National Statistics. Women who spend more time on household chores may be less healthy than men, because of the different types To be fair to us, men do a lot more housework than in 1949. But women still do a lot more than that. So now both sexes have grounds to resentEducation systems, tax codes, labor laws, public polices, and cultural beliefs about

motherhood and marriage all make a difference. With its cross-national perspective, this pioneering volume speaks not only to sociologists concerned with gender and family, but also to those TORONTO: Women tend to do more household chores than their male partners, no matter how much they work or earn in a job outside the Patterns of housework responsibility between men and women tend to be quite consistent at each life stage despite minor fluctuations in the