

## INTERVIEW GUIDE

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Hasil wawancara dengan narasumber pasangan Indonesia – Belgia

Nama : SS & YV

Tanggal : 20 Januari 2017

IN : Interviewer

SS : Istri

YV : Suami

IN : Pertama-tama aku mau terima kasih karena kakak sama suami kakak udah mau aku wawancarain hari ini.

SS : Gak papa dek, ini kakak juga lagi liburan soalnya.

IN : Kak, sebelumnya mau nanya, kakak ketemu sama suami kakak gimana ceritanya?

SS : can you tell her how do we meet?

YV : okay, actually.. we meet in a cafe not far from here, in Monggo cafe. I was in my holiday with my cousin and my father. And it was on my first day in Yogya. She was there with her friend. And we talk with each other.

IN : Oh really? I thought you guys met by chatting.

SS : No, we met in the cafe. Yea, when he was travelling with his family

IN : Can you tell me the details story?

YV : Well, i though it's kinda crazy, but at the first time, we didn't really meet and talk with each other. And after that day, we kept in touch trough Whatsapp. You know, there were something there something happening. It was 18th february when we met. And the I went to belgium, but we kept chatting. Then i came back to Indonesia again for her.

IN : Oh, and how do you feel about her? You feel click on her or how?

YV : Absolutely, yea.. i feel like this is something more and i need to be sure what is this. So, i came back i didn't really have holiday anymore. And after 8 days, i came back to Belgium again.

IN : And how about your father's opinion when you wanted to come back to Indonesia?

YV : My parents were kind of worried, because i will come alone, and there is no one with me. And i will meet someone who i met in coffee shop.

IN : When did you get married with her?

YV : It was last year when we get married.

IN : Terus kalau kakak sendiri, apa tanggapan keluarga kakak waktu pertama kali kakak izin untuk menikah sama orang bule? Because you know, Indonesian parent are kinda worry about their kids especially if they want to get married with foreigner.

SS : Yea, first time, they were worry. But after that, they are okay with it.

YV : I think they accepted pretty well.

SS : Yea, yea... especially when I came to Belgium for the first time. But, for the second time they were fine. And my parents were not really meet him as well

YV : Actually I met for once with her sister. We have some conversation that time.

IN : terus jadinya, waktu itu kakak sama suami kakak ketemu, terus tiga bulan kemudian dia datang lagi, terus?

SS : After that I came to Belgium to visit him.

IN : And you get married with him after that?

SS : No, he came again to Indonesia. And after my second visit to Belgium, then we get married.

IN : Ah okay, I see. Terus abis itu pas kakak nikah tahun lalu, gimana tanggapan keluarga kakak? Cuma worry aja?

SS : Ya worried, terus juga mempermasalahkan soal keyakinan, etrus agama juga. Tapi karena dia, yang kakak liat juga serius. Jadi, nikah apapun syaratnya bakalan dia lakukan.

IN : Terus kakak nikahnya pas bulan apa emang?

SS : Pas bulan Agustus 2016. Sebenarnya aku udah lama kan pacaran sama dia. Cuma agak lama waktu pas aku bolak-balik kesana juga buat make it clear aja.

IN : Okay, sekarang aku mau nanya soal pertanyaan inti ya kak. Ini kan kakak udah beberapa bulan nikah, kakak pernah gak sih ngalamin ribut-ribut gitu?

SS : Yes sometimes.

YV : Yea, actually it's not too bad. You know, when we have different opinion we always make a critical conversation about it. And it's ended quite positive. And we not attacking each other or screaming. Instead we try to talk about it, and see the point of view like compromising.

IN : oh okay, and usually when you were arguing each other, what kind of argue do you have? I mean the reason of that conflict?

SS : Everything, everything, it's about anything.

IN : Okay, tapi sebenarnya biasanya apa sih yang bikin berantem kak? Because all of knew that, we have different culture, different characters. So you must be have some trouble or conflict right?

SS : We have an argument about the religion before marriage.

YV : Yeah, actually, my family are fine with religion. I mean, they never make it become a problem. I born as a christian but, my family are not religious. So it's actually not so hard for me. Because my parents never think that a religion is abig concer. I think in Europe, people didn't make such thig become a problem when they are marriage.

SS : Yea, but do you know what kind of argue that we talked about?

YV : Hmm, i don't think that we have a big arguments. Because everything ended by dicussion.

IN : Hmm, okay. And how about conflict that maybe appear when one of you is a selfish person? For example, when you want something, it must be happen. Have you ever have that kind of problem?

SS : No, we never do that. Because i think if i do that, im a selfish person. Usually, we always understand each other. I understand him like he understand me.

YV : I think we both know very well that we came from different culture. So, we have to understand each other. Becau if we don't, it's not gonna work. We talk about anything without angry at each other.

Wawancara dengan Pasangan Indonesia – Belgia

Nama : YV

Tanggal : 26 Januari 2017

Via : Whatsapp

IN : Hi, YV... This is Reizha

PM: IN : Im sorry i bother you, i need your help this time. Because our interview last time is not finish yet.

IN : My lecturer ask me for more information about my informant

YV : Ok but I'm at work now so won't be able to reply quick

IN : Okay... Just tell me when you have time. You can focus to your job now...

IN : Im sorry to bother..

PM: YV : Thats the thing I always work so just ask the suestions and I'll reply when I can. Have 2 jobs so always busy ☐

IN : Oh okay... ☐

IN : Have you ever experienced conflict that appeared because you and your partner want to do the same thing in the same time? How is that happen?

IN : But ofcourse that 'thing' couldn't be happen in the same time.

YV : No, something like that hasn't happened yet. Maybe in the future, who knows ☐

IN : Oh really? How is that happen? I mean how could you have the same things to do with your wife?

YV : I'm not sure I understand the question... For example my wife is cooking and I want to help or do the same thing so we get into conflict, that's an example of what you mean right?

IN : Nooo

IN : Hahahha

IN : Example : you want to go to hiking and your wife wants to go to mall for shopping

YV : Well thats what you're asking...

IN : That's what i mean

YV : Well but you said the same

YV : Those are different

IN : Omg...

IN : Sorry

IN : Different thing to do in the same thing. That's what i mean

IN : Same time\*

YV : Well the first time she was in Belgium she always wanted to visit things but I work a lot so don't always have time... Instead of getting into conflict over it we compromise and make a structured planning both of us are happy with

IN : Oh that's good, how did you compromising with her? can you tell me how it works?

YV : You just say no we'll do it later but agree an a fix date to do it so you make sure it's not an empty promise. So I'm happy because I was tired and planned to do it later and she's happy because she knows we'll go later

IN : Have you ever experienced a conflict that appeared because of different information?

For example the information that you have is different from information that she has, so you and your wife will argue about that issue.

YV : Yes, she always wants to work when she's here or sell something but her documents don't allow her to ☐ Since I'm well informed about those things I have to explain why she can't and then she get's angry... Not really at me ... More the Belgian law ☐

IN : What dis you do if she is angry?

IN : Did\*

IN : And how about the belgian law regulate it?

YV : Oh I just explain her why she can't and in the end she kind of understands but still isn't happy about it

YV : Well you need a license for everything and you need to be registered because Belgium taxes every salary

IN : Do you know why she persist to work or earn money?

YV : Because she knows I work very hard here and she wants to do her part

IN : ☐ you're lucky to have her

YV : Oh yes I'm truly blessed

IN : Have you ever experienced a conflict that appeared by different principle between you and your wife?

YV : Well I work in security and have to deal with a lot of people which means I get aggravated pretty quick when I see people doing stupid stuff... She doesn't like it and sometimes calls me out on it

IN : How does she do that?

IN : And what kind of stupid stuff do you mean?

AM: YV : She says like, oh come on love it's not that bad or that's not polite

AM: YV : And people do stupid stuff all the time

IN : And you calm down after she said it?

YV : Like just now some idiot just crashed into a glass door ... on the glass door is a paper saying: mind the glass door...

YV : Oh yea she handles me pretty well ☐

IN : You've got your diviner,, ☐

YV : Haha yea

IN : Is there any other different principle issue that you have with your wife?

YV : Don't think so

IN : Oh that's good.. ☐

IN : Btw, can i text you again tomorrow? You can tell me the right time when i can ask you my questions. Because it's very late here. May i?

YV : Sure but full day of work again

YV : Goodnight

IN : It's ok... Thanks a lot ☐

IN : Hi YV, im sorry i disturb you. I still need to ask you some questions if you don't mind

IN : May i?

YV : Ask away but I'm working so no time to reply immediately

IN : Oh its okay... You can reply when you have time

IN : Btw, how come you don't have any principle issue with your wife

YV : Because we just don't...

IN : Have you ever experienced conflict based on ego, from either partner?

YV : No never

IN : Have you ever resolved your conflict by following what your wife wants?

YV : Yes, we discuss every issue and try to rationally approach each conflict.

IN : for example?

YV : For example I didn't feel like going out at night because it was my only free night of the week, she convinced me that I had to go out because it would be better than just hanging around the house and doing nothing. She was right and we did what she wanted. And because it was the best option.

IN : Have you ever faced your conflict by competing each other? How is it happens?

YV : We both wanted to cook that day, so we both cooked and the one with the best dish won. I think it was the most fun to resolve the conflict.

IN : Have you ever compromise with your wife when you face a conflict?

YV : Yeah, ofcourse... When my wife wanted to visit a friend that was also staying in Belgium and she also wanted me to attend, we had to compromise because I was working that day and there was no other solution then her going alone, because else she wouldn't be able to meet her friend at all

IN : And have you ever avoiding your wife or maybe your wife avoid you when both of you have a conflict?

YV : No this never happens, there's always room for conversation and when there is a conflict avoiding eachother is not an option.

IN : Oh, that's good.

YV : Yeah i know..

IN : How about collaborating? Have you ever collaborating with your wife when you have a problem?

YV : Yes all the time, she is a huge support when I have any problem, she's always there to help me. If there are problems at work she helps me to calm down and I try do the same when she gets worked up. And i think that's what a relationship is all about and we love supporting eachother

IN : Okay... I think, it's finish,.. Thank you so much for your time. Have a nice day

YV : Ok ☺

IN : Hi sorry, YV, may i ask you some questions again? Because my data is not enough for my report

IN : ☐ only if you don't mind

IN : I sent you the email, thank you YV ☐



Hasil Wawancara dengan Pasangan Indonesia – Amerika

Nama : AM

Tanggal : 26 Januari 2017

IN : Interviewer

AM : Istri

IN : Kakakkk...

AM : Hasut

AM : Ehh hadir mkndx □

IN : □□

IN : Kak aku wawancaranya santai aja yah

AM : Yes □□

IN : Kak... Kakak pernah ngalamin kan pasti berantem kecil2an, nah biasanya apa aja sih pemicunya?

IN : Pemicu+

AM : Pemahaman n pemikiran yg berbeda. Aplg Krn Qta datang dr 2 budaya yg berbeda.

IN : Pernah gak kakak dalam satu waktu ama suami kakak pengen ngelakuin sesuatu yang berbeda?

IN : Tapi dua2nya gak bisa dilakuin dalam waktu yg bersamaan gitu..

AM : Sering.. □□

IN : Haha, soal apaan aja tuh kak biasanya?

AM : Klo mau makan,, aku sering mau ke Asian resto Dia Maux ke Italian. Atau aku mau ke Mexican trus Dia Maux ke Asian.. Atau biasax Dia mau ajak anak2 hiking Tapi aku mau ajak anak2 ke mall

IN : Kenapa kok bisa beda gitu yg masalah restaurant kak?

IN : Maksudnya kenapa bs beda pendapat?

AM : Mgkin Krn selera sj. Mgkin Dia lg pengen makan Asian Tp di waktu yg bersamaan aku mau makan Mexican

IN : Hahaha

IN : Maksud aku bisa ceritain gak gimana kejadiannya dan kayak apa

IN : Hahaha

IN : Maaf ya kak ini aski ribet banget

IN : Wkwkwkkw

AM :Biasa Klo Qta ke kota,, trus laper, aku tiba2 blg,, daddy Qta ke Asian food yuk trus doi bilang,, I don't feel like eating MSG ( Dia orgx suka bercanda ) trus Dia blg,, Bgmn Klo Italian.. I feel like wanna eat Italian. Trus aku biasa complain Tapi ujung2x aku yg mengalah.. Klo urusan lain suamiQ yg banyak mengalah tp Klo urusan makanan aku yg banyak mengalah Soalx aku tau Dia orgx ribet Klo urusan makanan.. Aku ma biasa Ngalah aja yg penting makan ☐

IN : Hahahaha

IN : Yang penting gretong ya kak

IN : Trs kalo yang hiking gimana kak?

IN : Emg kakak suka hiking? Kuat apa? ☐☐☐

AM :Hahahha ia.. Aku mah Sok complain awalx Tp sbnrx yang mana2 aja asal gretongan ☐

AM :Aku Gak suka hiking sih ☐☐ Cuma biasa ikut aja Soalx I need that to lose some weight ☐☐

AM :My son Sm daddyx suka hiking

IN : Oh gitu... Gak jadi ke mall nya dong?

AM :Biasa habis hiking Qta ke mall

AM :Jd dua2x menang ☐☐

IN : Wah seru dong kak...

IN : Jadi kayak bagi2 gitu yah..

IN : Terus kakak pernah gak kayak bantah2an soal informasi gitu. Misal informasi yang kakak dapet beda sama punya dia

IN : Jadi saling bantah gitu gara2 informasi yang didapat soal satu hal beda.

AM :Sering hahahaha.. Seperti klo Di indo harus Ini. Harus Itu ( pamali ) nah suamiQ klo informasi kurang masuk akal Dia Gak bakal percaya nah aku paling benci klo Sdh

dibilangin Tp Gak mau dengar. Tapi klo Dia yg ksi info ke aku, aku jarang kontra. Aku pro Aja Soalx Dia orgx sebelum memastikan Hal Itu legit or trusted, Dia Gak bakal blg.

AM :Aduh hopefully u understand ☐

AM :Excuse my language

IN : Iya i understood kok kak

IN : Haha

IN : Biasanya hal2 pemali yang dimaksud kayak apa aja kak contohnyav

PM: IN : ?

AM :Klo anak2Q tumpahin sesuatu Di Lantai trus Qta lg Gak Ada kain lap yg handy suamjQ lgsg ambil baju apa sj yg Ada dkt Dia trus main lap pake baju. Aku paling kesal Itu karna kata org2 tua dulu hak baik.

IN : Trus2?

IN : Apa lagi?

IN : Cowok ya emangg.. Itu wmang cowok modelnya begitu apa budaya nya yang beda sih?

AM :Atau Kadang Dia klo begadang, trus kepanasan Dia lgsg Mandi padahal jam 3 or 4 subuh

IN : Emg kenapa kak kok gak boleh mandi jam segitu?

IN : Emg ada apa di kita?

AM :Aku Gak tau.. Hahahaa cwok Di indo juga gitu yah ?

IN : Kayaknya deh

IN : Biasanya kan cowok selengekan

AM :Dgr2 Sdh banyak yg mati mendadak Hahahaaa or kena paru2 basah ☐☐

IN : Suamiku jg model2begitu. Masa andul dijadiin lap. Hahahh

IN : Anduk

AM :Klo handuk sih aku msh bs mengerti klo baju aku lgsg emosi ☐☐

IN : Hahaha

IN : Emg kenapa sih kak?

IN : Jorok ato gmn?

AM :Klo suamiQ orgx malah pembersih bgt.. Klo Dia masak tanganx dicuci sekian2 kali Hahahaa... Dia orgx Gak suka yg kotor2.. Klo jadiin handuk or baju kain lap Dia

sering blg kan bs dicuci Lagi Hahahaha Tapi aku blg Bukan mslh Itu Tapi masalahx Itu pamali Gak baik

IN : Emg gak baiknya knapa kak? Dulu wkt dimakassar emg gak boleh ya begitu?

AM :Kata org2 dulu bad luck Tp Mgkin Cuma kpercayaan org toraja n mks Aja

IN : Oh gitu... Kalau beda prinsip pernah gak kak?

AM :Biasa juga

AM :Tapi Bukan masalah besar sih.. Qta sering mengalah satu Sama lain.

IN : Itu contoh beda prinsipnya apa kak? Bs diceritain?

AM :Wait... Ntr klo dah balik dr appointment yah ☐

AM :Lagi Di dokter

IN : Okay kak ☐

AM :Dia klo didik anak American way, aku Indonesian way

IN : Emg american way kayak gmn kak?

AM :Dia lbh disiplin. Klo anak salah lgsg ditegur dgn nada keras klo aku biasa juga marah in anak Tp most of the time I let them go too much

IN : Contohnya kejadian apa kak?

AM :In giving up too much... Contohx,, kan suamiQ Gak suka anak2Q makan yg manis2 jd biasa candy or chocolate Itu Sdh diukur.. Klo Mereka Sdh dksi Sama daddyx trus minta Lagi, biar nangis2 Gak bakal dksi Lagi. Daddyx Cuma ksi pengertian klo Itu Gak bagus u/ kesehatan terutama Gigi. Nahhh klo aku,, klo Sdh merengek aku kasi Lagi. Nahhh Itu biasax Qta arguing Soalx suamiQ blg aku ajar Mereka Gak baik.. Krn Mereka akan pikir,, Tgl merengek Qta bisa dapat apa yg Qta mau.

AM :I'm giving up\*

IN : Terus kenapa bisa gitu kak beda cara didiknya? Kakak merasa indonesian way lebih bagus dan dia jg merasa american way lebih bagus ato gmn?

AM :Hahahaha aku Sadar American way bagus Cuma Kadang aku males Aja ribet Soalx..

IN : Hahaha

AM :Aplg aku biasa dr kecil

AM :Contohx,, aku malas ksi pengertian Ini Itu... Jd klo nangis aku ksi aja apa yg Mereka mau spy mulutx diam ☐

IN : Lah trus itu knapa kakak malah arguing? Padahal kan bener dia maksudnya? ☐☐☐

AM :Soalx aku males ditegur klo salah hahaha

AM :Biasa soal prinsip □□

IN : Hahaha... Dasar mahmud

IN : Prinsip yg 'do my way or there is no way itu?

AM :Yes □

IN : Haha kaaacaaau

AM :Wktu kecil anakQ yg p1 Gak mau duduk Di high chair klo makan.. Nahh aku gave up too quick. Aku ambil anakQ trus suapin Dia. Klo bule Dsni Mereka Gak peduli. Anakx nangis psti dibiarin.. Akhirx lama2 Mereka bljr klo mmg Sdh kewajiban Mereka klo makan hrs duduk dusty

AM :Dstu

IN : Gak mau ribet ya kak? Hahaha

AM :Smp skr aku kewalahan Soalx anakQ dua2x Gak Ada yg mau duduk tenang klo Qta makan. Nyesal sndri sih.. Ribet diawal Tp enak belakangan. Aku dulu Gak ribet skr super ribet □□

IN : Haha

IN : Bsk klo pny anak lagi brati hrs pake American way kak

AM: IN : □

IN : Btw kakak pernah gak pny ngalamin konflik yang berkaitan soal kebijakan gitu. Biasanya sih soal anak. Kayak kakak maunya dia sekolah di tmpt A , trus dia maunya di sekolah B. Pokoknya yg berkaitan sama kebijakan pada saat suatu kegiatan ingin dilakukan.

AM :Klo kebijakan sprti Itu Aku serahin semua Sm suamiQ jd Gak prnh Ada arguing

IN : Alasannya kak?

AM :Soalx dia lbh dewasa pemikiranx. And dia lbh tau apa2 di amrik Jd aku ikut2 sj

IN : Klo konflik yg didasarin dama ego pernah kak?

AM :Ia biasa.. Mau menang sndri.. Terutama aku

IN : Emg gimana kak? Critain dong.. □

AM :Gmn yah... Aku agak lupa Hahahaa Soalx biasa dtg gitu aja sih..

IN : Contohnya kaka...

IN : Kak...

AM :Sorry anakQ yg kedua muntaber ketularan Sm kakakx Jd aku sibuk urusin dia tadi

IN : Iya kak... Urusin aja dulu.. Smoga cepet sembuh ya

IN : Interview nya bsk2 aja pas udh mendingan

AM :That's ok.. Aku sambil mikir Ini contohx apa.. Soalx agak bingung juga

IN : Ya contoh kayak kakak lagi pms trus kakak jadi main perasaan dan moody bgt trus pgn diperhatiin ato gmn

AM :Kadang klo qta beda pendapat, aku mengalah sj or dia yg mengalah.. Jd jarang bertengkar.. Tapi aku orgx datang2an.. Jd Kadang aku ikut aja... Tp dilain hari aku malah gak stuju n Gak mau kalah.. Padahal Hal yg Sama. Misalx,, klo prg makan.. Kadang aku ikut aja,, Tp dilain hari aku malah make a big deal about that so harus apa yg aku mau yg jadi. Or klo dia Sdh blg cemilan Ini Gak baik u/ anakx Kadang aku nurut aja. Or jangan ksi anak2 makanan manis Sprti coklat n permen 3-2 jam sbllm jam tdr. Kadang aku nurut juga Tp Kadang aku malah bantahin dia walau aku tau Itu benar Tp Krn egois, aku mau apa yg Ingin aku lakuin saat Itu yg jadi akhirx aku bantah Aja.. Nah arguing Deh Qta

IN : Kaka pernah menghadapi konflik dengan saling bersaing satu dengan yang lain seperti saling adu mulut?

AM :Ia.. Kan klo arguing Qta adu mulut..

IN : Tapi tetep kakak yg menang?

AM :Keduax punya statement masing2

AM :Tetap aku yg menang

IN : Klo kerjasama pas nyelesin konflik prnh ga kak?

AM :Aku klo Sdh Marah banget suamiQ diam. Takut lbh parah nntix

IN : Banteng ngamuk

AM :Aku sih klo Marah lama.. Kadang 3 Harian. Kli suamiQ Marah, aku bujuk dikit dia langsung maafin aku. Tapi 80% aku salah or dia salah psti Dia yg minta maaf

AM :Hahahhaa badak ☐☐

IN : Kerjasama pernah gak kak?

AM :Kerjasama nyelesain konflik ? jarang sih..

IN : Kok jarang malahan? Haha

AM :Klo Kerjasama urus rmh n anak Qta bagus... Kompak kita ☐☐ suamiQ orgx baek.. Dia yg masak, bersih dapur,

AM :Klo aku jaga anak

AM :Klo bersih2 Qta berdua

IN : Weew

AM :Jd Sprti tim gak Ada yg krja Kaya babu Hahahaa

IN : Klo kompromi kak?

AM :Kompromi mslh apa ?

IN : Masalah apa aja..

IN : Yg dua2nya sama2 menang

AM :Biasa juga. Tergantung masalahx apa.. Ada hal2 yg dua2x bisa menang Ada juga yang Gak

IN : Contoh?

AM :Misalx,, aku mau N on film horor dia mau action.. Mgkin hari Ini Qta Nnton action, bsk horor

IN : Hmm gituu

AM :Tapi Klo Hal yg Gak bs dua2x menang tpksa Cuma 2 aja yg menang,

AM :Ia sih.. Hal2 sepeleh aja. Namax juga pasutri.. □□ Ada Aja perbedaanx

IN : Ohh okay okay...

IN : Udah kakak

IN : Udah kelar

AM :Sip □□

IN : Tinggal suami kakak bsnya kapan?

AM :Hopefully it's help. Soalx aku bhs indox kurang bagus.. □□ aku bisax slang makassar Tp Kamu bakal Gak tau □□

IN : Hahaha

IN : Ngebantu kok kak

AM :Maybe tomorrow □ Soalx tadi dia blg mau krja design

IN : So far aku paham smua yg kaka omongin

1/29/17, 10:44:29 AM: IN : Okayyy

AM :But I'll let u know letter soalx aku lg di kamar dia Lagi somewhere Gak tau Di belahan rumah sebelah mana

AM :Ok good □□

IN : Thank you so much yah kakak cantik

AM :Hahahhaaa sami2 juga adek cantik

Wawancara dengan Pasangan Indonesia – Amerika

Nama : MM

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Via : Whatsapp

IN : Interviewer

MM : Suami

IN : Kak, nnti wawancaranya mau jam berapa?

AM :Help

AM :Helloo mkndx Hahaa

AM :Skr boleh ☐

IN : Lewat chat aja ya kak.. Biar paham akunya

IN : Biar bisa langsung rekap skalian

AM :Okey ☐☐

AM :Kamu tax lgsg Aja ntr dia lgsg bls

IN : Okay

IN : Aku langsung kasi pertanyaannya yah...

IN : How often do you have a conflict with your wife?

IN : And What is usually the main cause of that?

MM :Not often but when we do its not that bad. We get through it. Sometimes it's over our different ways of parenting or just simple differences of opinion.

MM :She has her culture and ways of doing things there. Superstitions and beliefs. I respect that but she isn't as open minded as I am. We have a saying in America for that...."her way or the highway" lol.

IN : Okay, first what kind of opinion and what kind of culture do you mean?

IN : Please give me some example

MM :AM spoils the kids too much and let's them get away with more than she should. I'm more about teaching lifelong virtues. I am more disciplined and want them to grow up appreciating everything they have and understanding the value of hard work and commitment. She gives them too much junk food and I'm about eating healthy. Healthy body, healthy mind.



IN : I think almost all Indonesian same like her

MM :As far as cultural, AM is VERY superstitious and I'm more grounded. Every little thing has a meaning in Indonesia and that's ok. But she is afraid of parakang and stuff like that.

IN : What kind of superstitious she always talking about?

MM :I believe in spirits and stuff as well but I don't let it get to me like she does. For example so many times while in Indonesia they kept telling me not to go out at night even to get water from indomart. Or don't make too much noise at night because of strange creatures ☐, or don't wipe up water or something off the floor with a shirt or towel. Don't brush hair or cut nails at night... Soooooo many things haha

MM :It was at times very overwhelming but I'm used to it now.

IN : In Java it's not like that

IN : We have superstitious but not too much

IN : Okay next question

IN : Wait, before it you talk about junk food, What kind of junk food she gave to her kids?

MM :Honestly it's something I wouldn't change if I could go back in time. It's fun.

MM :Oh god! Way too much candy, cookies, ice cream etc.

MM :It's ok to give every once in a while but too much is bad. AM has a sweet tooth and I don't want the kids developing those bad eating habits.

IN : Have you ever experienced a conflict that appeared because you want to do something different with your wife in the same time?

IN : How is it happens? And give me an example please

MM :Yes today haha, it wasn't bad though. Our son had a school meeting tonight and they're always kinda dumb and a waste of time. AM wanted to go and I wanted to have my niece and nephew come over and play with the kids. We disagreed but chose the school meeting. My son had fun playing with his friends so it was worth it. Another example would be days ago we disagreed on where to go out for dinner so we did "paper,rock,scissors" AM won ☐.

IN : Im sorry i lil bit late when i reply

IN : I was looking for electricity

MM :That's ok

IN : And Have you ever experienced a conflict that appeared because of different information?

For example the information that you have is different from information that she has, so you and your wife will argue about that issue.

MM :Yes that's happened a few times.

IN : How is it happens?

IN : And example please ☐

MM :Trying to remember a good example ☐

IN : Okay.. Waiting ☐

MM :Like durian fruit, she said it's safe to eat but it actually is very toxic and can cause serious health problems including death. She doesn't think it's good to drink water before bed because it's bad for kidneys and I said not true lol. It's good to be hydrated. If your body is thirsty it means your body needs it. Just silly stuff like that.

IN : And Have you ever experienced a conflict based on differing principles?

MM :Yes, I believe more in hard work, virtue, commitment, and living healthy. I believe in helping my kids grow and learn to be the best they can be and to strive for something great in life. I'm very organized etc. AM is kind of go with the flow, gives up easily and spoils the kids and let them do whatever. Those types of things are our main differences in principles.

IN : Do you think why you have different principles with her?

IN : Do you know\*

MM :Well I can't say it's because of the culture because there are many people in Indonesia that believe in the same things as me. I think it's more because she didn't grow up with a father. Her mom was young and dedicated her life to taking care of her. It's always been her mom and grandma taking care of her and they spoiled her. She always got what she wanted and did what she wanted without knowing consequences.

IN : Hmm, i see,, ☐

MM :She's grown up a lot since meeting me ☐

IN : That's good, sometimes we need someone to change us to be a better human, right?

MM :Yes I think we balance each other out.

MM :If two people are exactly the same, it can get boring

IN : AGREE,,,,,,

IN : And how about culture, superstitious and stuffs? Do you know why her culture so different with your culture?

IN : And why she act so strict about culture issue?

MM :Yes, it's just that part of the world. Before Christianity, Islam, Hinduism etc. the Indonesian people believed more in elemental spirits and things in nature. Everything had life, spirit and meaning. I think some of that has remained through the generations. Stories and beliefs past down. And we have some similar superstitions in the western world as well.

MM :I think she gets strict about certain things because her mom was also very superstitious and put lots of fear in her....you know" don't do this because this could happen" type of thing.

IN : Ah,, i understand

MM :When we first met it was a lot of no no no don't do that because of this and that lol.

IN : And what's your reaction that time?

MM :I laughed, thought it was silly and cute. Sometimes it would be annoying but a lot I got used to and after meeting me AM and her family kinda realized maybe some of those things were silly and calmed down a bit.

MM :Like bringing sharp objects like nails, scissors with them or bags of salt to ward off spirits and creatures haha

IN : Seriously, i never hear about that before

MM :We got stopped at the airport once and they saw nails and scissors in her purse and bag of salt. They were like what is this for. Embarrassing but hilarious

IN : In java, just royal descendants who believe superstitious

MM :Ya

MM :It's pretty funny

MM :I'm used to it

IN : Have you ever experienced conflict that happened because of differing policy about something to do?

MM :Umm no I don't think so

IN : Oh really? Why and how it's not happens to you and your wife?

MM :We always talk about things to do. We always have fun things to do. Lots of adventure etc.

IN : So you never have any experience about it? Maybe you and your wife have different opinion about where you want to let your son school or get an education?

MM :Like this weekend we decided to take a 4 hour drive from here to visit a water park, stay at a nice hotel, and eat at some of our fav. Restaurants. Our fav. Restaurant is called Java Warung Indonesian restaurant.

MM :Oh yes with school we used to disagree on that. She wants our kids to go to junior high school here but I said hell no. I want my kids to get a better education. High school teaches nothing but garbage, fake history, and pre exposes them to sex and partying. Basically instead of growing their minds they brainwash, and hold kids back. I want to homeschool my kids and let them learn from the real world. Learn real history. AM didn't understand at first but now she completely agrees.

MM :High school and college here in America is a joke! It's all about partying, sex, getting kids involved with drugs and alcohol. It's destroying lives more than creating them. It's sad

IN : Yea i agree about high school opinion. They really have bad education, and the circumstance is not good for kids.

IN : Even in indonesia is some... Even my mom never trust general school anymore

IN : Same\*

IN : So she makes us get education from islamic boarding school. Actually my mom is single parent as well. So, she really has concern about her kids education

MM :Yup it's a problem everywhere. In America right now. The kids in college and high school are known as our dumbest generation in a hundred years.

MM :Ya and she should, it's because she cares and wants what's best for you. Sounds like a great mother ☐

IN : Indeed. Even she said "go to boarding school, or don't go to school at all"

MM :Yes

IN : So we have no option ☐

MM :Lol

IN : Okay, next question

IN : Have you ever experienced conflict based on ego, from either partner?

IN : Oh ya, tell me if you feel tired or sleepy. I know its very late there. So, please tell me if you feel tired. We can continue tomorrow. ☐

MM :Haha ya, I'm a man and all men have a bit of ego, it's in our DNA. But AM had even more ego than me. If we fight or argue I'm always the first to apologize or calm down. She takes awhile. I can swallow my pride when she doesn't. Sometimes she won't apologize at all lol. If some other person makes her agree she will freak out at them where as it takes me more to get agree and I handle it more positively.

MM :No I'm good, not tired.

IN : Okay...

IN : So, can give you any example?

IN : Can you give \*

MM :One time she was cooking an Indonesian dinner, I said hey you should put some of this certain spice in it and more egg. She kicked me out of the kitchen and when it turned out terrible she said it was my fault haha.

IN : Hahaha

IN : Kick her back ☐

MM :So now I love to mess with her every time she cooks ☐

MM :Most of the time we just mess with each other. We are a pretty fun and silly couple.

IN : You must be happy with her

MM :Ya I'd say so. I traveled across the world for her. ☐

Have you ever experienced conflict with how you adapt to your partner's desires?

How and why you choose this way to face that kind of problem?

MM :No I don't think so, I'm very accepting and understanding. I do my best to see and makes those wants and diaries real to the best of my ability.

MM : "Desires"

IN : Have you ever follow her? Maybe what she wants and what's she persist about?

MM :Of course ☐

IN : Is it because you don't have ability to change her mind?

IN : Or just you want to follow?

MM :No. In a relationship especially a successful one, you have to do what others want. Otherwise one person is being controlling and oppressive and that's not fun. It's just about equality and respect.

MM :She has lots of ideas of things to do and so do I. We just prioritize them, put them on a list and do them when we get time. That's why we are going on a vacation this weekend.

IN : And Have you ever experienced a conflict where the issue was resolved by competing with your wife?

MM :Lol ya, we do paper,rock,scissors a lot. Even when taking out the trash. I lose most of the time.

IN : And how about scream to each other?

MM :It's happened but rare

IN : Can you give me 1 example?

IN : How it's happened?

MM :One time my daughter got into some nail polish and spilled it on our nice blankets and even had it in her mouth. I was very angrier because that is poison and I didn't know how much she may have swallowed.

IN : And you was angry to AM?

MM :Yes, because she was letting her play with it. Not a good idea.

IN : And why she is angry also get angry?

MM :About the nail polish or something she got mad at me for?

IN : If both of you scream each other, it means both of you get angry in the same time right?

IN : If you were angry to her because she was letting your daughter, so why AM gets angry at you?

MM :Sometimes, she was yelling back at me because she was not only scared that My daughter may have swallowed some but also because she hates if someone yells at her. She never got much discipline as a child so she's not used to people yelling at her.

MM :She hates that lol. And at times she would get super agree with me for something and start screaming at me. For example once we were in a hurry to get to an appointment. She takes a long time to get ready and moves slow sometimes. I was in the car and beeped the horn a few times. She came out screaming at me haha. I ended up being late and missed my appointment.

MM :It happens. That's the nature of people.

IN : Seriously, in my case, what your wife does to you is same with what my husband does to me lol

MM :I always tease her that she's an Aries, Aries are hotheads.

IN : Have you ever 'ran away' as a result of a conflict with your partner?

IN : How is it happens v

MM :There has been times where we got into an argument and instead of staying and adding fuel to the fire I decided to walk away, give her space and time to cool down. Myself as well. Sometimes the best and only answer is to walk away.

IN : Why do you choose that way to resolve it

IN : ?

MM :Because sometimes it's the best way. Depends on the situation or severity. If it's a situation were there is no end in sight and someone is so worked up. Then it's best to swallow some pride and walk away. Sometimes it takes a better/bigger man to walk

away from a fight than to fight. And with AM I've found that if she gets mad about something I give her space and time to calm down.

IN : I see..

IN : Have you ever experienced a conflict where the issue was resolved by reaching a compromise?

MM :Yes

IN : How is it happens?

MM :Last summer we planned on taking a trip but I had something come up. She was upset because she was excited for a long time. We talked about it and we came to a compromise. Instead of staying for three days I said we could go for two so I could still do what I needed.

IN : Why did you choose it to resolve your conflict?

MM :Well I wanted us to be able to get both things done so we talked and worked it out so both could be done.

IN : Okay... This is my last question

IN : Have you ever worked together to resolve a conflict?

IN : How is it happens and why did you choose it to become your solution?

MM :Yes that last one would be a time we talked about something and came to a positive conclusion that we were both happy with

MM :I knew if I kept my appointment that were on two different days than we couldn't do the trip. If we did the trip for three days I'd miss these important appointments. So we worked it out together in a way that worked for both of us. I did one appointment on Friday and rescheduled the other for Monday. So we got to do our trip for Saturday And Sunday

IN : Why you choose this way?

MM :Because the appointments were on Friday and Saturday. She wanted to go from Friday to Sunday. Friday's appointment I couldn't change but Saturday's I could so i rescheduled that one to Monday.

IN : Okay...

IN : It's enoughIt's done. Thank you so much for your help. I don't know how to say thank you to all of you. Im really happy to know your your family.

IN : Im sorry i took your time too much. □□

MM :Sama Sama . You as well, nice talking to you.

MM :Oh it's ok □

IN : You can get rest... Please tell AM

IN : Im thank you for her help

IN : And so sorry for my messy English. Haha

MM :I will, take care, I hope we were able to help in your project ☐

MM :No no your English is very good, no worries

IN : Okay

IN : See you...

IN : And good night

MM :Goodnight