

of women say it keeps them from having a relationship with their children. And 46 percent of male and female extreme job holders say their jobs interfere with having a strong relationship with their spouse. About half the members of each group say it interferes with their sex life. "I can't even fathom having a boyfriend," says one extreme job holder. Another, Chris Cicchinelli, was so concerned about being out of touch with work during his honeymoon that he got a satellite phone. Even that didn't help. He ended up cutting his 10-day honeymoon to 5 days. "I had major anxiety," he said.

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## Questions

1. Do you think you will ever have an extreme job? Are you sure? Explain.
2. Why do you think the number of extreme jobs has risen?
3. Do you think organizations should encourage extreme jobs, discourage them, or completely leave them to an employee's discretion?
4. Why do you think people take extreme jobs in the first place?

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