Interviewer .hh (0.4) You’re about to get well.= You’re not about
↓to get married but you (0.2) are m- (0.8) getting
married (.) in the near future=
Respondent =Yes.
(1.7)
Interviewer Why? hh heh heh heh.
(0.2)
Respondent Why:\
(0.2)
Interviewer Yeh?
(0.3)
Respondent U: :m, (2.2) its:hhhh (0.2) “oh god.‟ U:m (2.0) its got
to the stage (0.4) u:m (0.7) “its its” more: (0.4) hh
its to sh- >sort of< sh:wo (0.3) the commitment. (.) To
each other.
(0.4)
Interviewer "Mmm\n(0.4)
Respondent U:m so its basically: (0.6) >got to the point in the
relationship which is s-sort of< showing each other
(0.5) that >sort of< (.) we want to spend the rest
of our li:ves together.
Interviewer "Yeh."
(0.2)
Respondent U:m (0.3) but its also: (0.8) as far as: (0.8) when
we want to start a family, (0.9) u:m (0.8) I b- (0.4)
believe (0.2) personally that children (0.4) should be:
(0.4) bought up in (0.5) under- sort of wedlock.
(.)
Interviewer Uuhh,
(0.4)
Respondent ‘n [with the] family name.
Interviewer [ Yeh. ]
(0.6)
Interviewer Yeh.
(.
(0.6)
Respondent U:m (1.0) but it is (.) a big part >to sort of< show
each other. (“Isn’t it.”)
(0.6)
Respondent The commitment.
Interviewer: Mm.

Respondent: =And I s’pose a small part to sort of show other people. h

Interviewer: Y[eh ]

Respondent: [that] we’re sort of (.) happy to show th- (0.5) the commitment by (.). getting ↑married.

(.)

Interviewer: M:m.

(2.3)

Interviewer: So: (.) I mean you’ve already said ↓that i i it’s a commitment for li:fe. (0.2) Tha- is that the way you see the marriage.

Respondent: U:m: (1.2) I think to too many people nowadays, (0.7) u:h >I mean< obviously its gotta be worked at.

(0.4)

Interviewer: Uh huh,

Respondent: U:m (0.5) .pt I think (0.7) nowadays, (0.3) people do see >sort of< divorce (0.4) as an easy option.

(0.5)

Interviewer: Mm.

Respondent: U:m: (1.1) I mean (.). I haven’t got (0.3) any sort of (1.1) family members who ever been divorced.

Interviewer: Mm

(0.4)

Respondent: U:m (0.3) an’ I- (0.2) I don’knw:w.= I think m- y’know people used to work ↓at it. Obviously if there’s sort of (0.7) something seriously wrong (.). in the relationship.

(1.3)

Respondent: Then: yeh.

(0.8)

Respondent: It its: a sort of (0.3) possibility.

(0.8)

Respondent: U:m but I do think people use it as an easy option.

Interviewer: Hmm=

Respondent: =But (0.8) who (.). you d- you don’t I mean (0.2) hh (0.2) getting married (0.5) it doesn’t (.). necessarily (0.3) mean that you will be together in sort of (0.7) forty years time.

(0.2)
Interviewer: Yeh, it’s (0.5) it is (0.3) quite a big risk when you consider that divorce rate’s (0.3) >sort of< (.) fifty percent of marriages now nearly (.) end in divorce, (1.0)

Respondent: But I think (.) as I said (0.3) I think >I mean< (1.0) modern times (.) where people: (1.5) feel that (.) it’s just (0.8) y’know happy >sort of< to go from >sort of< one relationship to another.

Interviewer: [ Hm::: ]

Respondent: I just believe that (0.2) once you’re married its (0.2) it’s it’s not for life. (0.3) U:m (1.9) but I think (0.3) “y’know” (0.3) most things can be worked out. (0.3)

Interviewer: Yeh (0.2) y- you only do it once.

(0.3)

Respondent: Yeh.

(1.1)

Interviewer: [When y]

Respondent: [That’s] m- that’s my view. You [only do it once.]

Interviewer: [When you say som]ething goes (0.3) seriously wrong (.) um (0.3) and you might get divorced.= What (0.8) wha- how would you define: seriously wrong, what’s good enough reason for divorce (1.0)

Respondent: U:m: (0.8) if either party are really unhappy.

(0.4)

Interviewer: Mhm

(0.3)

Respondent: If: either party’s >sort of< fallen out of love that may (0.4) just don’t want to be in that relationship any more

Interviewer: [Yeh.