



Building Stepfamilies That Work®

Mission Statement

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Why a mission statement?

Evidently, the Columbia was off course for over 96% of its journey. However, everybody on the team was absolutely clear about the mission—to put a man on the moon—so each of the modest corrections they made brought the craft increasingly closer to the goal. On the 21st of July 1969, Neil Armstrong and the Eagle landed on Tranquility Bay. Miraculously, NASA only needed to be on track 4% of the time to hit a target 238,856 miles away!

What's your mission as a couple? If you don't know, you are very unlikely to have the same target—and even less likely to arrive there together. However, if your couple mission is clear, you can work to steer the relationship back to its intended target, even when you are apart, with just the occasional, gentle nudge.

Instructions:

Part A: Couple Mission Statement

Take some time to think about your mission as a couple. Really think about it.

Discuss it at length with your partner. Really discuss it.

Together, formulate your couple mission statement. Try your best to **keep it to 25 words or less**.

Write your couple mission statement on the attached page.

Part B: Family Mission Statement

Figure out how to incorporate the input of all family members.

Repeat the above for your family mission statement.

Due Date:

Please submit page 2 of this assignment on or before Week 6 of the course.

Where to submit:

by email:	info@stepfamily.ca
by fax:	(403) 274 - 0832
by mail:	The Stepfamily Foundation of Alberta Suite 201, 4803 Centre Street NW Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2E 2Z6

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Name: _____

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Part A: Our Couple Mission Statement (please print)

Part B: Our Family Mission Statement (please print)

Note: Please hand in this completed assignment on or before Week 6.

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