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*How Straights Will Benefit* by Jonathan Rauch  
Answer the following questions in the space provided.

1. Describe the various reactions to homosexual couples. (224)
2. What are the three essential societal needs that marriage provides? (225)
3. How are relationships stabilizing? How does marriage increase the stability? (226)
4. Why can't we know what will happen to gay relationships if they get married? (226)
5. Why does this not hurt Rauch's argument? (226)
6. How would gay marriage help the non-gay population? (227)
7. What is the irony in the conservative position on gay marriage? (227)
8. How does gay marriage help non-gay parents of gay children (228)
9. How does gay marriage provide a positive example for children? (228)
10. What are the three arguments that homosexual marriage will not have the same effect on homosexuals as it does on heterosexuals? How does the author respond to these three arguments? (228-9)
11. Why might the immediate result of gay marriage be less than ideal for the gay marriage cause? (230)