## **TABLE 8.1**

## "Masculine" and "Feminine" Traits of North American Men and Women

"Masculine" Traits	"Feminine" Traits
Self-reliant	Yielding
Willing to defend own beliefs	Eager to soothe hurt feelings
Independent	Soft-spoken
Leadership ability	Does not use harsh language
Willing to take risks	Childlike
Analytical	Gullible
Ambitious	Unsystematic
Forceful	Shy
Assertive	Loves children

Source: Bern 1974

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