

Mary Ruth Brooke's answers to a questionnaire Rupert asked her to complete in 1900.  
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**'Where would you like best to live?** At home.  
**What are your favourite holiday resorts?** London.  
**What are your favourite amusements?** Games.  
**What is your idea of happiness and ambition?** No work, plenty of  
**What is your idea of misery?** Nothing but work.  
**What are your favourite characters in history and fiction?** Nero. Rupert of Hen Bow.  
**What historical character do you most dislike?** Joan of Arc.  
**What are your favorite qualities in a man?** Generosity in other people.  
**What are your favorite qualities in a woman?** Good temper.  
**What are your favorite authors and books?** Rudyard Kipling \_ Prisoner of Zenda  
**What are your favorite painters and pictures?** E.T. Reed.  
**What are your favorite actors and plays?** Charley's Aunt. Penley.  
**What are your favorite musical compositions?** "Soldiers in the Park"  
**What are your favorite names for men and women?** Richard. Sylvia.  
**What is your favorite flower, colour, and perfume?** Violets. Red. Violets.  
**What is your favorite food and drink?** Everything.  
**What is your favorite adage or motto?** 'Be lazy, Pat, be lazy and if you  
can't be lazy, be as lazy as you can.  
**Signed** Richard E. Brooke'