Husbands are always concerned with the well being and success of their wives. The following are some questions sometimes asked by concerned, supportive husbands.

**Exactly What Will My Wife Be Doing?** She will be teaching skin care. She will own and operate her own business as an independent contractorshe's not an employee of mine nor Mary Kay Inc. Her classes will be taught to groups of one to six women.

Where Will She Conduct Her Business? Her classes will be held in either her home or the home of a hostess who has invited her. Your wife will have no territories and may build her business anywhere she chooses in the United States and its territories.

What Hours Will My Wife Be Expected To Put Into Her Business?

As an independent business person, she will set her own schedule and can conduct business around family and other activities. We do suggest she complete a weekly plan sheet every Sunday, so you both know and agree to her schedule. We feel it is vial that you both agree on her schedule and that she works as planned. The more hours she puts into her business, the higher her income potential.

My Wife Knows Very Little About Teaching Skin Care And Selling. How Can She Expect To **Be Successful?** Educational materials are available such as Career Essentials that can help your wife learn more about the skills necessary to help her be successful in her Mary Kay career. She will learn many facts of her business including: how to schedule classes and manage her new income. There will be local educational opportunities covering basic skin care and make-up techniques.

What Is Inventory, Why Does She Need It, and How Much Does She Really Need? Product inventory is not required to start her business. She may conduct her first skin care classes using just her showcase. However, she may want to start with an initial inventory so her customers can get their products immediately. The two of you know your financial circumstances better than anyone. I honestly believe that \$3600 wholesale is the best starting order for new consultants who are looking to work their business as a business or for those who need an immediate pay check. She is on a profit-keeping basis from the first day with a \$3600 order! Smaller inventories are also available to fit any budget. However, she would want to re-invest her profits until she reaches that Profit Level Inventory. Having inventory is a timesaver in that she will not have to make as many deliveries and sales are generally higher when she can provide on-the-spot service. It is also a motivating factor to get moving in the business of building a customer base. The most important thing with inventory is she'll have something to show!

**That sounds like a lot of money. Frankly, what's in it for you?** I earn a commission based on wholesale orders. If your wife doubles her money, I get 4-13% from the company. Should your wife not succeed and return all her inventory, she keeps her profit and the company deducts 4-13% from my next check. They also destroy her returned product so they take a complete loss. She has a lot to gain; we have more to lose. I would not have recruited her if I did not believe in her potential for success! Her success is my #1 goal! I am always here to match my time with her effort and look forward to weekly communications with her summary sheets and at Unit Meetings!

We Don't Have That Much Money In Savings. Now What? Few people have disposable income to place an initial inventory order. Even if you do, consider a bank loan or a credit card or other available line of credit. Most businesses begin on borrowed capital. Keep in mind that if your wife decides that Mary Kay is not for her, the Company will buy back her original and unused showcase and original and unused Section 1 product purchased from the Company within one year for 90% of her original new cost.

**Is This A "Pyramid" Company?** NO! Mary Kay is a true direct selling company where there is only one wholesale sale (Company to Consultant) and one retail sale (Consultant to customer) of Mary Kay products. There are no levels of wholesalers between the Company and the consumer through which products pass at varying discounts before sales. Everyone recruited as a Consultant is recruited to sell products at retail. The entire marketing structure is based on and intended to foster retail sales to ultimate consumers.



