SN 37.1 — A Lady

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1. Abbreviated Texts

A Lady

“Mendicants, when a lady has five factors she is extremely undesirable to a man. What five? She’s not attractive, wealthy, or ethical; she’s idle, and she doesn’t beget children. When a lady has these five factors she is extremely undesirable to a man.

When a lady has five factors she is extremely desirable to a man. What five? She’s attractive, wealthy, and ethical; she’s deft and tireless, and she begets children. When a lady has these five factors she is extremely desirable to a man.”