

Celebrity News: Cindy Crawford Blames Her Divorce From Richard Gere On 17-Year Age Gap



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UsMagazine.com reported that although Cindy Crawford and Richard Gere's relationship didn't last, Crawford learned a lot of lessons from the four-year marriage. On March 11th, Crawford was on *Oprah's Master Class*, discussing how their 17-year gap was the largest problem in their relationship. The [New York Post](http://NewYorkPost.com) reports Crawford's appearance on *Oprah*, "I think a lot of what happened with Richard and I was, I was still 22 and at 22 – as a young woman – I was kind of still figuring out who I was and what I wanted to be and he was already 37." The two are now happy, with children.

How do you know if an age gap in your relationship will affect it in the long-term?

Cupid's Advice:

Age gaps in relationships can cause a myriad of problems, especially in the long term. It can also be a fresh thing between you and your mate. Depending on your personalities, the age gap, how comfortably you are with each other and what not, the relationship can last. Cupid has some advice on how this gap will affect the long term:

1. Emotional maturity: Emotional maturity is an aspect you want in a relationship if a age gap is present. You do not want twelve years between one another and the younger person acting immature and their own age. If you are going to be with this person for the rest of your life, they have to be able to keep up with you emotionally. If this is not a possibility in the beginning, it may challenging to make it for the long haul.

2. Similarities: Similarities are usually what brings a couple together in the first place. They should still be present throughout the relationship if there is an age gap present. You and your mate will not make it if you have absolutely nothing in common because of your age. If your music, humor, morals, or anything important are vastly different; consider getting yourself out of the relationship and move on.

3. In sickness and in health: If the age gap is not a problem until after the wedding, well ladies and gents, just remember 'in sickness and in health.' Although divorce is common amongst many couples these days, you should resort back to the vows you took as a couple. If you have already reached the marriage stage, technically you've reached the long term, and simply are just going to have to deal with it day by day.

Has a age gap affected your relationship in the long haul?

Explain below!