

# Kim Kardashian Says She Would Love to Be Divorced



By

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Kim Kardashian wishes to be legally single again. She wants to commit herself to her current boyfriend and baby daddy-to-be Kanye West. According to [People](#), Kardashian is done with all of the rumors and wants to settle down in life with someone who is worth her love. Her retort to rumors that her marriage to Kris Humphries was all for press is, "...that staying married for the sake of the public's opinion is what *really* would have been fraudulent," according to [Hollywood Life](#).

**What are some reasons to start dating before your divorce is finalized?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

**1. Love:** Love is love. You can't stop the movement of love upon another person. Love is a strong gust of wind that comes in unexpectedly and is only embraced, never pushed away. Even though the divorce may not be finalized, you shouldn't be penalized for falling in a deeper love than your soon to be ex-husband. If you believe that you love another person, don't wait until the divorce is finalized, don't lose that person by waiting. Go for it.

**2. Rough divorce:** Experiencing a turbulent divorce can take a heavy toll on a woman. Their vulnerability is high, their confidence is low, they're looking for someone to treat them better than their ex did. Trying to rid themselves of these horrendous feelings, it is okay to jump in and start dating again. You need to find a sense of hope and love in the world because your life lacks both of the two. So don't feel bad to try and find love again, you deserve it.

**3. Emotions:** Your emotions are most likely scattered if you are going through a divorce, whether it was a rough divorce or not. Dating again will inevitably settle out the mixed feelings.

**What do you think about dating before a divorce is finalized? Share your thoughts below.**

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# **Find Out the Truth Behind Britney Spears' Split with**

# Jason Trawick



By

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The rumor mill has been turning when it comes to the truth about Britney Spears and Jason Trawick's breakup. January 11th was a sad day for love, as a rep for the two stated to [Life and Style Magazine](#), "Britney Spears and Jason Trawick have mutually agreed to end their one-year engagement. As two mature adults, they came to the difficult decision to go their separate ways while continuing to remain friends." According to [Hollyscoop](#), Spears' father did not play a part in the split between the two celebs. Both Trawick and Spears insist they will remain great friends.

**What are some red flags in a relationship?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

**1. Distance:** It is never a positive aspect of a relationship when you don't feel as close to the person you spend all your time with. The red flag should be thrown up when you do not feel a strong connection to your partner because the distance between the two of you has been excessive. This distance does not always have to mean physical distance between the two of you however, an emotional distance can loom even from being together. You need to confront your partner and discuss the distance you feel amongst the two of you. Once that distance is felt, your possible love and future plans may be jeopardized, so make sure to throw the flag!

**2. Secret phone calls:** In relationships, one of the persons involved tend to become a bit paranoid or nervous, constantly thinking the other is cheating. When secret phone calls come in, you better throw that red flag darling. That person needs to be called out on their constant mysterious phone calls. Put aside all assumptions that you're crazy, or there is nothing going on because he is "perfect." Wouldn't you rather find out sooner than later if the person on the other side of the secret phone calls was another woman? If your beloved partner goes outside or into the bathroom for a "work call," throw the flag up. Don't risk it.

**3. Unresolved fights:** The worst types of fights are not the explosive, unbearable, destructive ones. Rather, the ones that get put aside to the next day and are never touched on again. When your significant other wants to talk about it tomorrow, throw up the flag sweetie. If your partner wants to be with you, they should have to fight for you also. Which means fighting even when they don't want to.

**When have you thrown up the red flag? Explain below!**

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# Britney Spears and Jason Trawick Call Off Their Engagement



By

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In a mutual agreement Friday, Britney Spears and fiancé Jason Trawick called off their engagement. According to [People](#), it's been only a year since Trawick, 41, proposed in Las Vegas. A source told *People* that the two decided to split because of different relationship goals. Spears, 31, who began dating the actor in 2009, reportedly was upset by his constant desire to have his own life outside of their relationship. Sources also say that Spears and Trawick didn't see eye-to-eye about continuing a family as well. The pop singer and former *X-Factor* judge currently has two sons, Sean, 7, and Jayden, 6.



Although Jason loves her boys, he wasn't in a place to have his own family. In addition to ending their four-year relationship, Trawick also resigned as Spears' co-conservator over her person, which gave him authority to make decisions about her general well-being. Her father, Jamie Spears, is her primary conservator. Despite the heartbreak, Spears desires to return to her original passion: music.

## **How do you know when to call it quits on a long term relationship?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Ending a long-term relationship can be difficult. As the years go by, it is hard not to become comfortable and immersed into life with a significant other. Sometimes, however, the relationship just doesn't work. But, how can you tell? It is definitely hard to pinpoint the reasons and spot the signs that it is time to end your relationship. To make the breakup a little easier, here are some basic red flags that it's time to call it quits:

**1. Disconnection, isolation and avoidance:** You may find that you and your long-term sweetie have drifted apart. Maybe he is going out with his friends more often or you start doing a former group activity, by yourself. If you and/or your partner is isolating themselves from the other—and this goes double if he/she is straight up avoiding you—it may be time to step back and see it for what it really is.

**2. Lack of intimacy:** If you and your partner can't remember the last time you couldn't keep your hands off each other, chances are that intimacy has flown the coop. Think about the last time you passionately kissed or had a romantic night together, if it is difficult to pinpoint or the idea of it just doesn't seem appealing, it may be time to end your partnership.

**3. Difference in wants or needs:** This is usually the hardest obstacle to overcome. If you find that you and your boyfriend/girlfriend's options, views, and wants have shied away from each other, than it's safe to say that you no longer want the same things. In the beginning, the wants and needs may have been mutual, but people change and so does your relationship.

**How did you know it was time to end your relationship? Tell us your story below!**

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## **Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez Break Up 'for Good'**



By

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Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez have ended their relationship for good, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Bieber has since been caught, days later, smoking weed in some TMZ photos. Bieber and Gomez did travel to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, on a New Year's trip, but the holiday romance was cut short when Gomez abruptly flew home to Los Angeles on Dec. 30 where she spent the New Year with friends at a house party.

**How do you know when your relationship is truly over?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

There's nothing more painful than a one-sided relationship. Don't pour your heart down a bottomless pit. Relationships need sharing, vulnerability, and devotion. Find out if your partner has these qualities by looking for these signs:

- 1. No values:** Getting a baseline for the personal values of your partner is a good way to decide if they're ready for a serious relationship. Discuss the principles you hold when you enter into a relationship, such as monogamy and honesty. It should be clear if they're looking for one person, or if they have a constant flirtatious attitude.
- 2. Separate goals:** Does their lifestyle support your relationship? Recognize if they'd rather spend time with you, or go out drinking with mixed company. If they don't have room for you in their schedule, it could be that they're very career oriented, but make sure you're their preference. If they're willing to spend the time to develop as a couple, it shows sincerity.
- 3. Growing distance:** Fostering a connection with your partner, takes time and patience. If they're afraid to open up to you, maybe they're afraid to be honest. Players, though charismatic



will be reluctant to share too many details of their life. As zealously enigmatic creatures, the fact that you haven't yet figured out if they're a player or not is a bad sign.

How did you clue in that your relationship was over? Share your experiences below!

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## Bethenny Frankel Files for Divorce from Jason Hoppy



By

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It's official—after announcing a separation over the holidays, author and TV personality Bethenny Frankel, 42, and hubby

Jason Hoppy, 41, filed for divorce, according to [People](#). After months of allegations that the two were having problems, TMZ reported that Frankel officially began the filing process earlier this week in New York. Frankel, star of *Bethenny Ever After* and founder of Skinnygirl Cocktails says it was an very difficult decision but accepts that it is the best choice for her and her family. The two, who married back in 2010, have a daughter Bryn, 2. A friend told people that Frankel is devastated.

**How do you know when to call it quits on your marriage?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Marriages take work. Many couples find themselves working through various problems. Whether you are attempting to save your marriage or going through a separation, sometimes it is best to sit back and see that your marriage may just not be working. Here are some telltale signs that it may be time to call it quits:

- 1. Everything becomes an argument:** Arguing in any relationship is inevitable and healthy—to an extent. If you find that every conversation or discussion is turning into a heated argument, you are having difficulty resolving issues, and the art of compromise seems nonexistent, you may want to sit down and reevaluate your union.
- 2. You aren't intimate:** Intimacy is extremely important to the success of a relationship. When you lose communication and trust, chances are intimacy is closely following.
- 3. You or your spouse are cheating:** If one, or both, of you is cheating, there is no longer a sacred bond between the two of you. Spending half your life devoted to someone and then suddenly focusing your time and thoughts on another is a clear sign that something just isn't working.

When did you know your marriage was over? Share your experiences below.

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# Courtney Cox Says She and Ex-Husband David Arquette Are 'Better As Friends'



By

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While taping an episode of *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*, actress and Courteney Cox said that, despite their recent divorce, she and ex-husband David Arquette are on excellent terms, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Since announcing their separation

in October 2012, Cox, 48, and Arquette, 41, have remained friends throughout the entire process. The *Cougar Town* star and Arquette have a daughter Coco, 8. Although Arquette is dating *Entertainment Tonight*'s Christina McClarty, Cox remains single. The two have requested joint legal and physical custody of their daughter and the removal of Cox's surname. Cox does not recommend divorce, but she says that she appreciates David even more and that they both have grown through this experience. Arquette will remain an executive producer of *Cougar Town*, which will now move from ABC to TBS this Tuesday.

**What are some ways to tell you're better off as just friends with someone?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Whether you're curious if your friendship is worth examining on a romantic level or you and your significant other suffer a split but remain friends, it is difficult to decide whether you are better off in one situation or the other. Here are some ways you can tell that you and your partner are better off as friends:

**1. You have the companionship but lack intimacy:** This is probably the easiest way to tell that you and your significant other are better off as friends. If you enjoy doing activities together and genuinely care about the other person but the intimacy has been lost, it's almost certain that your relationship has simply become one between friends.

**2. You both wouldn't mind seeing other people:** If both parties are okay with the other dating or seeing other people, it is pretty obvious that you have lost the romantic attraction to each other. This goes double if you don't feel even the slightest bit of jealousy when thinking about him/her seeing someone else.



**3. If you have different expectations:** If you find that you and your partner have so many different interests that you barely do things together anymore, or you disagree of future plans such as having children and moving away, it may be time to think if your relationship is really romantic and not just a friendship.

**How do you know when it is better to just be friends? Share your ideas below.**

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## **Brandi Glanville Donates Wedding Dress to Army Wife**



By

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Brandi Glanville, star of *Real Housewives of Beverly Hills*, announced with a Jan. 5 Twitter post that she was donating the wedding gown from her broken marriage to a “soon-to-be army wife,” [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com) reports. Glanville and Eddie Cibrian divorced in September 2010 after nine years of marriage. “I still haven’t heard about who received it,” Glanville said about the donated dress. “I hope it makes someone very happy.”

## **What do you do with your wedding dress after your wedding day?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

It served its purpose and now it just takes up space. A trash can is too cruel for something so personal, and too foolish for something so expensive. There are a few options to make the most of your leftover wedding-wear:

**1. Heirloom:** If you don’t mind cutting your dress to pieces, you can keep its significance in your family by refashioning it as part of a blanket, bassinet skirt, or a pillow for your daughter. Otherwise, you can always offer it to the weddings of future generations.

**2. Donation:** There are charities set up to use the resale of wedding dresses to support cancer research and other causes. Consider that part of your marriage’s legacy could be putting this otherwise useless dress towards a good cause.

**3. Alteration:** If you’re determined to get the most bang for your buck out of this dress, than you could always try the risky maneuver of altering it into a more conventional outfit. You can definitely shorten the dress, and in some cases even dye it. Since when do you get a piece of clothing tailored to your exact measurements?

**What did you do with your wedding dress? Share your comments below!**

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# Jason Hoppy Sports Wedding Ring Post-Split



By

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Four days after his wife Bethenny Frankel announced their separation after a two year relationship, Jason Hoppy is still wearing his wedding band, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Hoppy sat alone in an NYC cafe on Thursday as he sipped a hot beverage while talking on his cell phone. TV personality Frankel said: "We have love and respect for one another and will continue to amicably co-parent our daughter who is and will always remain our first priority." Frankel will host the upcoming talk show *Bethenny*.

## What are three first steps toward closure after a split??

### Cupid's Advice:

There is a sense of loss that's unavoidable at the end of a relationship. Don't let this sinking feeling cripple you. It's time to move past the agonies of the present and look optimistically to the future. Here's how:

**1. Accept it:** It's supposed to be hard to sever an emotional connection that was so important to you. If you saw this person as your partner, and now they can't fill that role, trying to figure out a new dynamic or identity is useless and painful. Stop picturing a future with someone who's not there.

**2. Be your best:** Be the person you want to be. Don't question your sense of worth. Fill your life with positive energy, like sports, exercise, art, music, new skills, new projects, new friends, old friends, and anything to take up your time. Here's your chance to do the things you've always wanted to do. Take action and make your plans a reality!

**3. Have hope:** You haven't lost your shot at love. There are plenty more chances at a meaningful relationship that will come along. Don't feel that you have to go looking for them, but be open to the opportunities when they arise. Rekindle old friendships, and establish your power as a single individual.

**How do you attain closure after a split? Share your experiences below!**

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# Katie Holmes and Tom Cruise Celebrate the Holidays Together with Suri



By

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For her first Christmas since Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes' divorce, Suri split the holidays between both parents, [People](#) reports. Suri spent Christmas Day with her mother in Ohio, and then joined Cruise and his two older children, according to a source. "We have got lots of very special things planned," Cruise said at the premiere of his new film *Jack Reacher*. He mentioned he was looking forward to spending the holidays with his kids. "We are all going to be together," he said.

**What are some ways to present a united front to your children**

## post-split?

### Cupid's Advice:

It's difficult to maintain a positive relationship with an ex, but when they co-parent your children you must set aside your differences. Find ways to work together, and avoid any slips that will add tension to your already worn dynamic:

**1. Respect:** No matter how you tailored your relationship in the past, it should have included respect. This must continue even now. You should be careful to treat each other well when your children are around, and avoid instigating any fights or arguments. Appreciate them as an important part of your child's life and foster a mutual respect.

**2. Team Decisions:** A united front means making decisions as a parenting unit. It's important both you and your ex understand that there has to be a consensus between the two of you before discussions with your child. Undermining a parent will make them less respected, so be careful what you say in front of impressionable eyes. Don't negate their input!

**3. Sharing Responsibility:** Make sure your child is able to experience special occasions with both parents. A child will have an easier time with a separation if both of you can offer positive feedback during their development. Even if you don't want to attend soccer games with your ex, rotate the responsibility game by game. This is how you keep a family intact after separating.

**What are good strategies for parenting after a divorce? Share your experiences below!**

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# Zoey Deschanel and Ben Gibbard's Divorce Is Finalized



By

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The wait is finally over. One year after filing for a divorce, Zoey Deschanel and Ben Gibbard are no longer married, according to [People](#). The court documents filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court date the marriage officially over on Dec. 12. Also written in the divorce documents, the reason for the marriage dissolution is, "Unhappy and irreconcilable differences have arisen between the parties, which have caused the irremediable breakdown of their marriage. There is no possibility that counseling ... or mediation could save the marriage." The couple was married in Sept. 2009. Since the

official separation in Oct. 2011, neither Deschanel, 32, nor Gibbard, 36, have ever given details about the breakup. However, later on, the *New Girl* TV star claimed they are amicable with each other. "We're friendly. It's all fine."

**How do you know when there is no hope of fixing your marriage?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Even though divorce is such a common occurrence, many couples are shocked when it happens to them. You and your partner may focus on trying to love each other again. However, this sets you both up for missing the signs. To help you see clear, here are a few signs that confirm the marriage is over:

**1. Character assassination:** A clear sign that your marriage is over begins with you and your partner's many attempts at assassinating each other's character. The belittling, public insults, name-calling and embarrassing attacks are fatal to your marriage, ensuring a true dissolution.

**2. Intimacy is gone:** Although marriage is not only about a physical connection, it will never last without some form of intimacy between you and your mate. Without a way for a couple to strengthen the relationship's closeness through loving contact, one of you will feel neglected and ready to leave.

**3. Dead silence:** Complete silence in a marriage with neither one of you willing to talk it out will get you two speaking to divorce lawyers. Without any further communication, the reconciliation will never begin. This makes it officially over.

**When did you realize there was no hope of fixing your marriage? Share your story below.**

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# Hayden Panettiere and Scotty McKnight Call It Quits



By

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From *Nashville* to splitsville, [People](#) confirms that Hayden Panettiere is calling it quits with New York Jets wide receiver Scotty McKnight. The once thought to be perfect couple dated for over a year. However, all is not lost. Even though the relationship has been over for about two weeks, Panettiere, 23, continues to remain friends with McKnight, 24. One friend even goes as far as to tell *TMZ*, "They will probably be back together sometime down the road." This is the Hollywood actress' second time dating a professional

athlete. In previous times, Panettiere once dated Ukrainian boxer Wladimir Klitschko for approximately two years.

**How do you make sure to stay friends with your ex?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

You and your ex have managed to get through the breakup without killing each other. Also, you both don't want to lose the friendship you had before, especially since you necessarily don't hate each other. Some people are worth keeping in your life. So as not to ruin everything, here are several rules every friends-with-ex relationship must have:

**1. Platonic:** To remain friends, you and your ex **MUST** keep "the benefits" out of the friendship. That means absolutely no kissing, no flirting, no hand holding, or anything else in the intimacy department. Even on nights of drinking, you cannot go down that road...EVER.

**2. Find love elsewhere:** Both of you must begin to meet and date other people. Remaining friends with your ex hoping to someday reconcile is only going to cause pain to both of you. Also, leave the details of your new relationship for your girlfriends' ears only. Your ex doesn't need to know everything.

**3. No relationship analysis:** When either one of you decide to analyze what went wrong in the relationship, do your analyzing with someone else, such as another friend, a therapist, parents. Remember, the goal is to remain friends with your ex. Therefore, keep the topics light.

**What steps did you take ensure staying friends with your ex?  
Share your story below.**

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# CoCo Austin Speaks Out About Racy Pictures, Saying 'I Disrespected My Husband'



By

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Ice T is heated up about the seductive pictures his wife Coco Austin posed in with Rapper AP.9, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). While in Las Vegas replacing a very pregnant Holly Madison in a burlesque revue *Peepshow*, Austin poses with the rapper for what she first considers "harmless" fan photos. Feeling disrespect by his wife, Ice T tweets his anger and frustration. "Most of [the pics are] disrespectful and in bad



taste. She's made me look and feel like s-t." Since then, Austin realizes the seriousness of the situation and publicly apologizes to her husband in several tweets. "I feel so sad. The bottom line is I love Ice & I can understand why he's upset. There's no excuse for my actions. I'm so sorry baby & to everyone." The photos and tweets have since been removed from online but, nevertheless, have gone viral.

**What are some ways to approach your partner when he/she has done something questionable?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

In one careless situation, your partner has embarrassed and hurt you. It's not bad enough to end the relationship, but you do feel neglected or betrayed. So how do you deal with it? To make up peacefully with love, consider the following steps to approaching your delicate situation:

**1. Cautiously:** If the end goal is to reconcile and strengthen the relationship, the last thing you want to do is overreact. Therefore, take time alone to evaluate what you want the overall outcome to be and how you would like to accomplish this. Also, ask your partner to do the same before coming together to talk.

**2. Direct talk:** Once you and your mate have thought over what exactly happened, be direct about how you feel. Otherwise, how will your partner know the consequences of all his/her actions if you don't express them? Sugar coating your feelings will only lead to repeated pain later.

**3. Ask for help:** In the event that you or your partner have difficulty communicating or controlling emotions, it is best to ask for assistance. You are looking for a mediator to help you two, either by profession or someone close that can remain unbiased to both sides.

How did you approach your partner when he/she did something questionable? Share with us below.

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# Sources Say Bethenny Frankel is 'Unhappy' with Husband Jason Hoppy



By

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Sources confirm, Bethenny Frankel is not happy with husband Jason Hoppy. On the third season of Bravo's *Bethenny Ever After*, the theme seems to be a whole lot of fighting. Now, sources tell [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com), things are much worse. "Things

have gotten even more strained in recent months. They're fighting a lot." With the feuds escalating to what they are, the self-made mogul, 42, and businessman Hoppy are spending more and more time apart. Recently, Hoppy spent the day golfing while Frankel hosted her Skinnygirl's Christmas party. Also, Frankel escaped in late November to a girls' getaway, therefore, excluding Hoppy, 41. What's a major reason for all the arguments? A source says it's the differences in career ambition. Bethenny is said to be "very focused" while Hoppy is "not driven." But don't count these two broken up yet; Frankel still "wants to make it work. "

## **How do you know when to call it quits in your marriage?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

There can be many reasons why a marriage breaks down and falls apart. Sometimes, couples may run to divorce too quickly, following impulsiveness due to heated discussions. Other times, the slow build-up of breaking each other down will lead you to the same path. Whether you crawl or run towards divorce, understand if it's time to pull the plug with these few clues:

**1. You have tried it all:** You and your spouse have tried the marriage counseling, the relationship nurturing retreats and the heart-to-heart communication. Even still, the relationship has not gotten any better. On the contrary, it only leads you further away from each other. Listen to yourselves; it's time to go separate ways.

**2. Abuse:** If you are ever suffering from emotional, physical or even financial abuse from your spouse, this is a strong sign to end your marriage. It is one thing to disagree with personal matters in the relationship. However, no person EVER deserves to be abused. The best advice is – get professional help.

**3. Exit planning:** Once you or your partner begins researching and preparing for separation, it is safe to say that the end to your marriage is beginning. It's one thing to think about how to legally get out of your relationship. However, taking action is clear indication that you or your mate has thought about divorce long enough to want it more than reconciling.

**What reason led to know it was time to end your marriage? Share your story below.**

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## **LeAnn Rimes Breaks Down Over the Ending of Her First Marriage**





By

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LeAnn Rimes is currently married to Eddie Cibrian, though she recently broke down to tears while talking about the ending of her first marriage, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Prior to becoming Mrs. Cibrian, Rimes was married to Dean Sheremet and Cibrian was married to Brandi Glanville. The two hooked up on the set of *Northern Lights* in 2009 and have gotten married to each other since then. However, Cibrian and Glanville have two kids from their marriage, which has resulted in a fierce media war between Rimes and Glanville over the children. "I never, ever in my heart want to hurt anyone," Rimes opened up about the affair and the divorce. "You can't break what's already broken," she explained in between sobs regarding her previous marriage. Regardless of the current media frenzy between Rimes and Glanville, Rimes remains hopeful that they can work together in the future to co-parent the two sons.

**What are some ways to get over a particularly rough breakup?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Break-ups are hard to go through, but some are worse than



others. Here are some tips on how to get over a specifically nasty one:

**1. Close that chapter:** Do not try to remain friends with your [ex](#), delete them from your Facebook and try to dispose of anything that would remind you of them. You need to go cold turkey in order to successfully move on.

**2. Pick up a hobby:** Get out that bucket list you've been putting off and start checking things off. Sign up for a kickboxing class or a zumba class. Experiment in the kitchen to learn new recipes.

**3. Postpone dating:** Take a break from dating to dote on yourself for a little while. Do what you want to do and don't worry about finding someone else until you're ready to put yourself out there again.

**How do you get over rough break ups? Share your experiences with us in the comments below!**

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## Rita Ora Opens Up About Breakup with Rob Kardashian





By

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Rob Kardashian might or might not want to speak about his breakup, but his ex Rita Ora is not afraid to tell! In a fresh new interview with [Glamour UK](#), Ora speaks about her breakup with Kardashian. The ex couple started dating in August of this year. Ora explains (via [Dailymail.com](#)), "I'm not going out with Rob. We were close for a while, but it didn't work because I was never there. I was like a ghost. I used to get so frustrated with myself and then wonder why I was angry, so I decided it was best to keep it friendly – especially at the moment, when there's so much going on." On Dec. 3, Kardashian, 25, tweeted that his rumored ex girlfriend Ora, 22, had affairs with "nearly 20 dudes." That's not all she talks about. The British pop star also says that while she has had "young fascinations," she has never been in love before. "I think it's my only weakness. I'm scared of letting my guard down, and if I feel in love with someone now, he'd have to try ten times harder to break it down."

**How do you know it's best to remain friends when you're considering a relationship?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

So you have a person in your life that is a really great friend. You both love to hang out often and you also share personal past experiences easily with each other. Does this mean you and your great friend will make a great couple? Maybe yes and maybe no. To understand where you stand, here are a few clues that say you two are just friends:

**1. Favors:** Is someone calling you often to hang out, but it also involves a favor? Either you are constantly keeping him/her company while running their errands or doing their chores, or helping him/her move. This is a classic sign that you are in the friend zone.

**2. Too busy:** On the flip side, think about what answer you receive when you decide to spend a little time with him/her on a lazy afternoon. Is your friend filled with countless excuses, such as having to help their family, watching a game with a friend or reorganizing their bookshelf? Pay attention to the excuse and how often this happens; you may be missing clear signs.

**3. Flinching:** If the friend you are attracted to is not into you in the same way, he/she will flinch or stiffen up when you casually reach out to touch them. Their instant body reaction is telling you that you have crossed a line and friends don't do that.

**What made you realize it was best to remain friends when you were considering a relationship? Tell us below.**

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# Brandi Glanville Lashes Out at LeAnn Rimes About Taking Credit for Her Sons



By

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It's all about the drama between Brandi Glanville and LeAnn Rimes again ... this time surrounding Cibrian and Glanville's sons together, according to [UsMagazine.com](#). In a spirited family mood, Rimes tweeted, "'Flying out with my boys in a few hours. Love that it's a family tour weekend. It's always more fun when they are with me.'" This apparently very much upset Glanville, who seemingly responded to the tweet with her own, saying, "Someone is trying to get under my skin by calling my children 'her boys. So transparent!"

## How do you deal with your partner's jealous ex?

### Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes one of the hardest parts of your current relationship is dealing with your partner's past relationships in the form of a jealous ex. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Ignore it:** Your first action should be to ignore what's going on and to try not to react to it. Sometimes this is enough to encourage your partner's ex to give t up.

**2. Have your partner address it:** The fact is that you shouldn't have to deal with your partner's past relationships. Tell your mate how you feel and have him or her have a talk with their ex to smooth things over.

**3. Confront the situation:** If neither of the above works, it's time to take matters into your own hands. Sometimes being direct about your feelings with your partner's ex can be what it takes to shut down the situation.

What are some other ways to deal with your partner's jealous ex? Share your experiences below.

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## Kim Kardashian Is 'Still Handcuffed' to Kris Humphries, Lawyer Claims







By

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Kim Kardashian and Brooklyn Nets star Kris Humphries are still married, according to [People](#). Almost a year after the divorce papers were filed to end the 72-day union, the reality television mega-star is demanding a trial as soon as possible. Kardashian's lawyer, Laura Wasser said that Kardashian just wants to finalize the divorce and move on with her life. Humphries is seeking an annulment, claiming that the \$20 million dollar nuptials were all for the more-than-successful, E! Television series *Keeping Up with the Kardashians*. While his attorneys gather evidence that the marriage was based on fraud, Humphries sticks to his claim that Kardashian never wanted to be married. A February 15 hearing date will determine when the divorce will go to trial.

**What are some ways to remain civil during divorce proceedings?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Regardless of the reasons why a couple is getting a divorce, the process is difficult and can bring back emotions that the couple simple just didn't want to revisit. Remaining civil

during a divorce can be one of the hardest aspects of severing the knot, but it is also an excellent way to ensure that your focus remains on resolving any issues and ultimately moving on with your life. Here are a few ways you can remain civil during a divorce:

**1. Make a list of talking points before you have a discussion:** By making an agenda of things you would like to discuss with your spouse and what you hope accomplish by the end of the conversation, you eliminate the possibility of running off track and leaving room for arguments.

**2. Make compromises:** Your marriage was once about compromise, so it is only fitting to keep the divorce under the same expectations. It is unusual that two people will want exactly the same things, but be prepared to give things up. Ultimately, decide what is really important to each of you and reach an agreement based on those terms.

**3. Don't bad-mouth your spouse in front of the kids:** Divorce is a very difficult thing for children to handle and they will have their own issues to deal with while their parents separate. Although you are angry and it may be difficult, try your best not to speak poorly of your spouse in front of the kids. Placing the children in the middle of the divorce can cause them to feel trapped or even choose sides. It is perfectly fine to vent to friends or family, but be cautious with what you say around the children.

**What are some other ways to keep your cool in the midst of your divorce? Share your comments below.**

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# Halle Berry's Ex Gabriel Aubry Says Olivier Martinez Threatened to Kill Him



By

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There are more legal documents in Halle Berry's life these days. After a brutal Thanksgiving Day fight that ended with Berry's ex Gabriel Aubry being arrested, Aubry claims that it was Berry's fiancé Olivier Martinez who started the fight, according to [People](#). Written in Aubry's application for a restraining order against Martinez, Aubry claims that "Mr. Martinez jumped me on the side of my body... continued to punch me at least two or three times, kicked me in the ribs with his knee or foot, and took my head in his hands and slammed it to the concrete driveway." Aubry also alleges that Martinez

yelled, "When you see the judge, you're going to tell him you're going to Paris, or I'm going to kill you." Because of the fight, Aubry has a restraining order against him to stay away from Berry, Martinez and his daughter Nahla. All this stemmed from a court battle between Berry and Aubry over Nahla. Berry hoped to move to France with Martinez and Nahla, but a judge ruled against Berry. With regards to Aubry's injuries, he states, "I ended up suffering a fractured rib, multiple bruises on my face and my forehead, an area under my left eye, and three areas in my mouth required stitches."

### **How do you keep your ex and current partner from butting heads?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Anytime your ex and your current partner are involved in matters together or involving you, it can be awkward and possibly dangerous for everyone. Whether their communication is required or unnecessary, there are ways to deal with it. To keep the peace, here are a few ideas on preventing any disruption:

- 1. Let go of your ex:** You are still a friend to your ex, but your current partner is not happy about this. If there is nothing legally or financially tying you to your ex, the best thing to do is let that relationship go. Otherwise, you will end up losing your current mate.
- 2. Keep relationships separate:** If you must stay in contact with your ex due to children or financial matters, you will need to keep your relationships with each one completely separate from the other. That includes no complaining to one about the other. It will be difficult, but it's the only way to ensure peace between them.
- 3. Stay out of it:** Suppose your ex and your current partner are friends and want to remain that way. Then, you will have

to stay out of their relationships with each other. You will not be able to be involved with any conversations about them with either one of them. Instead, let them figure out things on their own.

What did you do to keep your ex and current partner from butting heads? Tell us below.

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## Kimora Lee Simmons and Djimon Hounsou Separate



By

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After 5 1/2 years, Kimora Lee Simmons and Djimon Hounsou have



decided to call it quits, according to [People](#). The couple, who have one 3 1/2 year old child together, are set to remain “happy, loving, co-parenting friends and family.” “There have been quite a few hurtful rumors circulating,” Simmons tweeted on Wednesday. “The truth is Djimon + I have been separated for some time.”

**What are some things to try before separating in a relationship?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

It can be hasty to call it quits on a relationship on a whim, so it's best to make sure you've tried everything before pulling the plug. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Couples' therapy:** Sometimes all you need is an open and moderated forum in which to talk to each other – really talk. Daily life can get in the way when you try to have important conversations at home, so having an appointment with someone who's trained to handle these types of situations can be beneficial.

**2. Compromise:** Chances are there are things each of you are particularly bothered by in your relationship. Point out what these are, and come to an agreement to compromise. It may only take commitment from both sides to make this work.

**3. Break:** It may be the most dangerous attempt in the book, but taking a break may be just what you need to realize how much you want to be with your significant other. The saying, “Absence makes the heart grow fonder,” has stuck around for a reason.

**What are some other things to try before calling it quits in a relationship? Share your thoughts in a comment below.**

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# Ashlee Simpson Reunites with Ex Pete Wentz and His Girlfriend for Son's Birthday



By

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It seems that Ashlee Simpson is committed to remaining civil with her ex, Pete Wentz. The pair were seen celebrating their son Bronx's 4th birthday in Studio City, Calif. last week, according to [UsMagazine.com](#). Plus, to make matters more interesting, Wentz had his 24-year-old model girlfriend, Meagan Camper, in attendance as well. The birthday bash had a superhero theme, and according to a source, "The party was

great – super fun.” Kudos to Simpson and Wentz for keeping the peace, especially since Simpson’s parents are in the midst of a bitter divorce.

**What are some ways to remain civil with an ex for your children?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

After a breakup, it can be hard to see the good in the person you used to date. You may be hurt, angry and want nothing to do with them. That said, if children are part of the picture, it’s important to remain civil around your ex. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Swallow your pride:** It’s often pride pushing you to pushing you toward being rude and angry in your ex’s presence. If you have kids, you absolutely must get over that sense of righteousness and remain civil for their sake. Take a deep breath and put yourself in your child’s shoes.

**2. Avoid long conversations:** Just because you need to see your ex every now and again, it doesn’t mean you need to get into long drawn out conversations with him or her. Exchange pleasantries, but don’t get into anything that might start an argument. Small talk is key.

**3. Come to a mutual understanding:** Make sure you and your ex are on the same page. If you’re both committed to keeping the peace around your child(ren), it’ll be a lot easier than if just one of you has that goal.

**What are some other ways to keep the peace with an ex around your children? Share your ideas below.**

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# Justin Bieber 'Hasn't Stopped Reaching Out' to Selena Gomez Post-Split



By

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It's a game of on-again off-again for these two confused love birds. Selena Gomez and Justin Bieber just can't seem to decide whether to call it quits or stay together these days. After breaking up on Oct. 31, Bieber has continued to reach out to Gomez, 20. On Friday, Nov. 16, the two had a sushi date that was followed by a horrible fight. Eventually, the couple made up sometime after Bieber had a great night at the American Music Awards. Bieber, 18, and Gomez have also been spotted together in Encino, CA on Nov. 19. The issue between them is Bieber's inability to stop looking at other girls.

“Justin has a wandering eye,” a source reported to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Also, Bieber wants to date other girls and possible hold on to Gomez. “He isn’t sold on the possibility that this is forever but isn’t sold on that it’s not.”

## **How do you know when to call it quits in a relationship?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

A supportive and loving relationship can be the best thing in life. However, when necessary factors in keeping the relationship strong are abused or broken, it is time to say goodbye. Important factors, such as the three listed below, will help you to understand when it’s time to leave:

**1. Avoidance:** If either one of you stops talking to the other, especially about important matters in the relationship, it is time to end it all. Your love for each other will only survive with positive, and sometimes negative, communication. Once the communication stops, so does the love.

**2. Lack of respect:** When the disrespect begins, such as bad name calling or yelling in public, this only leads to breaking up. In order to spend the rest of your life with someone, you and your mate will need more than just love to get you there. Respect to love and care for each other is vital for the times when life’s challenges will stress you both.

**3. Isolation:** If you are in a relationship where your partner is driving all your loved ones away from you, leaving you completely reliant on one him/her for love and support, this is not a good sign. It’s one thing for your mate to want to support you. However, this type of support is more like domination. Get out fast!

**When did you know to call it quits in a relationship? Share your story below.**



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# Justin Bieber Brings His Mom Patti to the AMA Awards



By

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Without ex Selena Gomez at his side, Justin Bieber brought his mom to the 40th American Music Awards, Sunday, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). The 18-year-old pop icon, escorted by mother, Pattie Mallette, walked down the Nokia Theatre red carpet in Los Angeles and returned as the top winner. Bieber took home the awards for Favorite Pop/Rock Artist, Favorite Pop/Rock Album, and brought his date on stage for his biggest triumph, Artist of the Year. "This is my mom," Bieber said. "She's little, but she's beautiful . . . It's hard growing up with

everything going on, with everyone watching me. I wanna always make you proud.”

**What are some ways family can help you get through a breakup?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Some great advice, just for life, is to spend time with your family. People used to marry each other, just so two families wouldn't start warring. It's a powerful institution because of the transcending love and zealous loyalty it creates. A significant other could cut you loose, but there's no such thing as breaking up with your family:

**1. You're loved:** You might feel empty, and incomplete. It's impossible not to doubt your self worth when someone who was crazy about you moments ago now wants to go their separate way. But you are not unloved! Familial love is deep and unconditional. It's there for you to rely on in moments like these.

**2. You're supported:** Your family has a duty to support you and lift you out of this rut. While you don't always agree with them, they always have your best interests at heart. Tell them what you need and they will rise to the occasion. This isn't charity, or pity, they want to help you, so let them!

**3. You're needed:** Your family needs your love as much as you need theirs. You're not an affection parasite, you're symbiotic! They know that if you give them the opportunity to help you, you'll be there for them when tragedy strikes. Mothers lift cars when their children are trapped underneath. Don't underestimate this power!

**How has your family supported you after a rough split? Share your experiences below!**

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# Taylor Swift Wrote Song “All Too Well” About Jake Gyllenhaal



By

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Despite breaking up two years ago, Taylor Swift’s new song “All Too Well” reminisces about her romance with actor Jake Gyllenhaal, an insider reports to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). Her latest album, *Red*, features the nostalgic track, and Swift declares it’s her most “adventurous album yet.” The Gyllenhaal ballad started out as a ten minute song, Swift said, but was filtered down to a digestible size. The pop-country songstress split

from the well-bred Conor Kennedy in October, and has since been hanging out with One Direction's Harry Styles.

## **How can music help you cope with heartbreak?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Movies, commercials, and shopping malls have all figured out that music can alter your mood. Don't let those corporate fat-cats monopolize this strategy. Next time you're balling from a breakup, use music to your advantage:

**1. Explore your feelings:** The end of a relationship can hit hard or fast. And you feel it for sure, but you don't always know exactly what you're feeling. Obviously talking about it helps, but listening to some music can help you understand the break down of a breakup. This is a sudden change, and while you shouldn't take advice directly from songs, they can help you figure out the next step. Use them as a catalyst for your thoughts.

**2. Solidarity:** Not to undermine how difficult this is for you, but you're not alone. Ever since we evolved from the alpha male system and his harem of child-bearers, people have been getting dumped. Ask Taylor Swift, she'll tell you! By sharing the experiences of song writers it helps put this tragedy in perspective. These things happen.

**3. Get pumped up:** Breakup music can help internalize your emotions, and find the pieces of your scattered heart, but eventually it's time to put away the tissues and decide to be happy again. Play exciting music, songs that make you smile, funny songs that make you laugh, and tunes you can dance to! The world might have ended, but it's time for another big bang!

**What songs have helped you deal with the end of a relationship? Share your experiences below!**

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# Find Out About Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez's Date Disaster



By

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It seems that Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez are not completely over, according to [UsMagazine.com](http://UsMagazine.com). It seems the two recently reunited for a date disaster. Arriving separately at the restaurant, the couple got together to try to sort things out over a meal. Before even ordering, the two started arguing, which left Gomez stalking out of the restaurant. Bieber followed her home, but was denied access inside. The



singer reportedly cursed and yelled when he noticed he was being photographed. The couple split back in October, which was initiated by Gomez. While rumors are going around that Bieber is texting other girls constantly, it seems that he cannot move on from Gomez. The two dated for two years and are still figuring things out

**How can you fix a date that's heading south?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

The worst feeling is when you are on a date and you just know it's going downhill. Here are some ways to turn that date around:

- 1. Excuse yourself:** If you are fighting or are feeling nervous, excuse yourself to the restroom to compose yourself. Calm down and take a few deep breaths before returning.
- 2. Change plans:** If everything about your date is turning out to be a disaster, change the night's agenda. Instead of going out to dinner, go to an arcade to break the ice.
- 3. Laugh it off:** If you are being socially awkward or are fumbling every other word you are saying, laugh it off. Laughing at yourself is a sign of confidence and nothing is sexier than a girl with confidence.

**Do you have dating disaster stories? Share your experiences with us in the comments below!**