

Katy Perry & Russell Brand Keep Finances and Marriage at Bay



Pop music star Katy Perry and Russell Brand (*Get Him to the Greek*) seem to embody the ultimate love story, and love to pose for the media. The couple has mentioned marriage, but details are sparse. While it's possible the duo is keeping their plans private to avoid a press spectacle, [Betty Confidential](#) wonders whether their net worth plays a role in their hesitancy to a full commitment.

Can wildly different payrolls cause friction in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Whether yourself or your partner earns more money shouldn't be an issue since you are together, but money is often a hot button topic. If you need help resolving your issues, check out Cupid's tips:

1. Make this a priority from the beginning: When you first meet, the last thing on your mind is money and who makes more. When it's time to mingle your finances, you'll need to review your accounts, and figure out what you'll each contribute. Consider keeping individual accounts on the side.

2. Manage your bills: While there's no need to breathe down your partner's back when they get their paycheck, it's important that bills be paid. Staying on top of your money will lessen and avoid conflicts later.

3. Be understanding: The budget you initially set up may change due to job loss or (hopefully) a promotion. Sit down and talk about the adjustments that need to be made to keep your bills paid, and both of you content.