

# Keira Knightley and Longtime Boyfriend Rupert Friend Break Up



An off-screen romance that bloomed during the filming of *Pride & Prejudice* has fizzled out. According to *People*, Keira Knightley and Rupert Friend broke up under the radar months ago due to distance and career factors. Knightley's father, Will Knightley, said, "They were together for quite a long time, and it is always hard breaking up. She's focused on her work." Here's hoping a few films and some new co-stars will help heal Knightley's broken heart!

**How do you know when you should pick your career over love, or vice versa?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Many attest to the notion that you can have your career and love life, too. But is it really true? Cupid has some tips:

**1. Sacrifice:** When you find yourself making sacrifice after sacrifice, at the expense of your own happiness, it's time to prioritize. Relationships are about compromise, so you shouldn't feel like you're letting go of opportunities for your future, whether it be wedding bells or job promotions.

**2. Gut feeling:** If you start feeling your relationship fizzle because you're tackling more projects at work, ask yourself if you're being fair to your partner. On the other hand, if your work life is suffering due to your relationship, it might be time to scale back on that "quality time" you're spending with your partner.

**3. Goals:** Setting goals is always a smart idea! Not only are you motivating yourself, but you can also learn a lot about what you're looking for in life. Determine how much you value a relationship in your life versus how much you strive for a career. Perhaps come up with a ratio.