Usher Opens Up About His Heated Custody Battle





By Erin Minty

Usher is finally sharing the story of the heated custody battle he went through with his ex, Tameka Foster. *UsMagazine.com* reports that the claims have now been settled after three years, and Usher was rewarded primary custody of the couple's two sons, Usher V, 4, and Naviyd, 3, on August 24th. Usher has agreed to open up about his custody battle for the first time to Oprah on *Oprah's Next Chapter*, which aired Septemebr 16th. "This will be the only time that I've ever chosen to speak about it. I've been a man of integrity throughout the entire process, which I hope my boys will understand," Usher told host Oprah Winfrey.

How do you make sure your custody battle doesn't affect your kids?

Cupid's Advice:

Custody battles can be extremely difficult, and things can get heated between you and your ex. Making sure your kids stay out of it, however, is extremely important. Cupid has some advice:

- 1. Don't talk about it in front of them: While the custody battle is probably the most important thing on your mind, you should never be talking about it in front of your kids. You don't want to drag them into the drama, so don't say something bad about your ex or what is happening in court in front of your children.
- 2. Remain civil: things may get out of hand and you may really dislike your partner at this time, but it is important not to show that side to your kids. Try to remain civil with your partner when your kids are involved.
- **3. Act like nothing is wrong:** Treating your kids like nothing has changed is the only way to keep them comfortable during this confusing time. If they have questions, answer them as best you can, but otherwise continue about your daily life, as you would have before the drama started.

How did you keep a custody battle from affecting your kids? Let us know your story below!

Lucy Hale Insists She's Not Dating Colton Haynes





By Erin Minty

Lucy Hale, the 23-year-old star of *Pretty Little Liars*, puts the rumors to rest about dating the hunky *Teen Wolf* actor Colton Haynes. After the two arrived at Mr. C Beverly Hills September 15, reports *UsMagazine.com*, many people suspected that the friends had become more. However, Hale denies these rumors, saying, "He's jut a friend here tonight. Although, I would be very lucky to have him on my arm! We're just friends." She adds that Haynes, who is currently single, "could have anyone!" Hale herself is taken, though, as she's dating *American Horror Story* actor Chris Zylka.

What are some ways to keep your relationship under wraps at first?

Cupid's Advice:

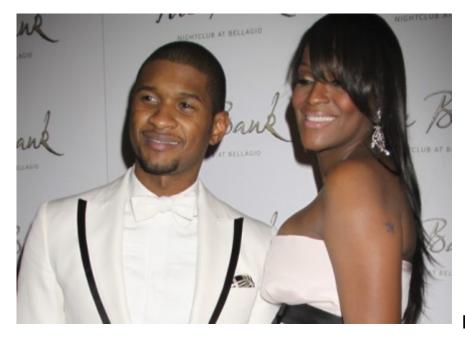
Sometimes, you may want to keep a new relationship away from the public eye. Cupid has some advice on how to keep your relationship under wraps at first:

- 1. Be discrete: Having a relationship in secret can be hard work, but there are ways to keep it out of the public eye. Meet in private locations, don't act too lovey in front of others and don't talk about your mysterious partner to anyone until you want them to know.
- 2. Don't ignore your friends: If you are repeatedly busy whenever your friends want to hang out, it will be a huge warning sign. Make sure you leave equal time for your relationship and your family and friends.
- 3. Be on the same page: in order for any secret to stay a secret, you need to make sure you and your partner both agree. If someone tells one person, who tells another, and so on, the secret is out and it will be too late. Make sure you are both on the same page regarding who to tell and not tell.

How did you manage to keep your relationship under wraps? Share your advice below!

Christina Applegate Opens Up About Motherhood





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Robertson for Celebrity Baby Scoop

A mom on the small screen and in real life as well, Christina Applegate knows well the joys and challenges of parenting. The *Up All Night* star, who has 1-year-old daughter Sadie Grace with her fiance Martyn LeNoble, chatted about motherhood in a recent interview with the Television Critics Association.

On surviving sleep-deprivation: "Oh, when I'm in my tired phase? In the morning when I'm holding her and we're reading. She snuggles up really nicely in the morning. She doesn't snuggle the rest of the day but in the morning she gets really snuggly. Those are those moments, or when she just out of nowhere leans over and kisses you. It's heartbreaking."

On tell-tale mommy moments: "When there's breast milk on the floor? I don't know, I'm not really sure."

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On saying goodbye to baby gear: "We don't use any gear anymore. She's a toddler. You know what was great for a while was those saucers for her to jump around. She really liked those when she was younger. Now she's too old for that but

that was a great thing for her. You could go do something for a minute, you could cook some food."

Jennifer Lopez Opens Up About Divorce From Marc Anthony





By Nicole Weintraub

Jennifer Lopez recently opened up about her divorce from ex Marc Anthony to Katie Couric on her new show *Katie*, according to *UsMagazine.com*. The duo were married in 2004 and have twins together — Emme and Max. "You never want to break up a family," Lopez confessed in regards to coming to the conclusion that it was time to file for divorce. She thought very carefully, especially since the pair has two children. The former partners are doing their best to co-parent, even though they are no longer together. "We love our kids and we

have love for each other," she revealed in regards to her current relationship with her ex. The star is currently dating Casper Smart, a choreographer who is 18 years her junior.

What are some things to consider before getting a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

Calling it quits on a marriage and filing for a divorce is a tough decision to make. Here are some things to keep in mind before taking that route:

- 1. A brighter future: Divorces are absolutions to marriages, which is a huge step. Make sure that you're not just looking for an easy way out. If times are hard, they may get better in time. For better or worse and there might be better days in the future.
- 2. The repercussions: If there are children involved, especially younger children, it's not going to be easy. Custody battles ensue as well as splitting money and properties. Make sure that you are prepared to deal with what is to come.
- **3. Communicate:** Does your partner know how you are feeling? If you are sensing problems in your marriage, before filing for divorce see if they have similar views. Try to work things out before calling it quits.

What are some things you would consider before divorcing? Share with us in the comments below.

Eva Longoria and Mark Sanchez Hold Hands in NYC





By Nicole Weintraub

Eva Longoria and her new man Mark Sanchez were spotted out and about in the Big Apple, reports <u>People</u>. The <u>Desperate Housewives</u> actress has recently confirmed that the two are dating after denying any romantic relations back in July. After Longoria split from Eduardo Cruz in March, the star has been laying low regarding her dating life. The New York Jets quarterback is 12 years younger than Longoria, but the two were spotted out on a date on Friday night.

How do you know when it's time to go public in your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Ready to tell the world about your new beau? Here are some tips on when you know it's time to go public:

- 1. You're both committed: When the two of you have decided that you are seriously committed to one another, then you can start to call it a relationship. Make sure that you're looking for the same type of partnership.
- 2. You want people to know: Some people may prefer to keep their dating lives private and separated from the public eye. It's best to discuss going public with your partner before boasting to the world about your new relationship.
- **3. Don't go overboard:** You don't need to shout your love for your partner from the rooftops. Make sure to know the line between opening up about your new relationship and rubbing it in people's faces.

How did you know when to go public in your relationship? Let us know!

Prince William and Kate Middleton: Upbeat Despite Photo Scandal





By Nicole Weintraub

Prince William and Kate Middleton are continuing on their tour in honor of the reign of the Queen despite the recent release of revealing photos of the Duchess, according to <u>People</u>. Photos of Kate Middleton have been circulated of her sunbathing topless. While the royal couple is outraged over the publication of these photos, they refuse to allow the scandal to put a damper on their tour. "Their royal highnesses will not allow this story in any way to dampen that heartfelt and genuine enthusiasm," revealed a source from the palace. The couple continued on their tour by hoisting themselves up a tree via harness in the rainforest of the Danum Valley.

What are some ways to support your partner when they're the victim of gossip?

Cupid's Advice:

Rumors, gossip and drama happen all of the time, regardless of your age. Here are some ways to support your partner when gossip occurs:

1. Don't blow it out of proportion: Do not make a big deal out of the circulating gossip that is currently surrounding your partner. The last thing they want you to do is to focus on

what is being said.

- 2. Offer comfort: Make sure that your partner does not believe the gossip or feel at all responsible for it. Offer comfort and support to show them that you care about them and are there for them.
- **3. Move on:** Don't dwell on the gossip issue. The longer time you spend on drama, the worse your partner is going to feel. If you ignore gossip, it eventually blows over.

How do you support your partner when gossip arises? Share your stories with us!

'Glee' Star Lea Michele Discusses Working with Boyfriend Cory Monteith





By Nicole Weintraub

Glee's favorite on screen couple is also one off screen. According to <u>People</u>, Lea Michele and Cory Monteith are just as much of a couple in real life as they are on the show. Michele shares that she loves working with Monteith. "He really, really inspires me, and he motivates me," she gushed recently regarding her working relationship with her boyfriend. According to the <u>Glee</u> star, she is happy with her current beau, as the chemistry between the two is easy to spot on the hit television show.

What are some tips for working with your significant other?

Cupid's Advice:

Dating your co-worker? Yikes! That can be a tricky spot to be in, but here are some tips to help you out:

- 1. Keep it professional: In the workplace, try to remain as professional as possible. That means no public displays of affection or long strolls throughout the office. Save the mushy feelings for after work, not during.
- 2. Be open with your coworkers: While it may be frowned upon to date a fellow coworker, being open and honest about it may be better in the long run. If you bump into another co-worker

outside of work, it may put you in a sticky spot if you and your partner are not honest about your relationship.

3. Support each other: We all have bad days at work or face obstacles we have to overcome. Support and motivate your partner from the sidelines. Do not fight their battles for them; they have to face their own problems at times.

Do you and your partner work together? Share your stories with us!

New Couple: Eva Longoria Is Dating Mark Sanchez





By Nicole Weintraub

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, <u>Eva Longoria</u> has snagged another athlete, and this time it's Mark Sanchez. The <u>Desperate</u>

Housewives star is dating the New York Jets quarterbac,k who is more than ten years younger than her. "We're happy just dating," she said in describing her current relationship status with the hunky football player. This is not the first athlete to snag Longoria's attention as she has been previously married to Tony Parker, a professional basketball player who she divorced in 2010. "I can't help but want somebody that's, I don't know, athletic," the actress has revealed in the past.

How do you know when to go public with your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

There is a time span between announcing your new relationship and casually dating someone while trying to get to know them. Here are some tips on when the time is right to go public:

- 1. Discuss it with each other: Before labeling your newfound relationship or boasting about your new lover to the world, discuss it with them first. Make sure that the two of you are on the same page as far as the relationship goes.
- 2. You're committed: The two of you should be ready to be fully committed and monotonous with one another before going public as a couple. If you are not ready to be seriously involved with each other, then continue to casually date and get to know them.
- 3. You're thinking of the future: If you cannot see yourself with this person in the future, then it's a waste of time. When the two of you are willing to explore the relationship to see where it goes, that is when you know it is time to go public.

When did you know it was time to go public with your relationship? Tell us in the comments below.

Find Out About Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively's Life Before Marriage





By Nicole Weintraub

Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively got married last Sunday, according to <u>People</u>. The couple has been living cozily in the suburbs now as they take a step back from the busy Hollywood scene. After dating for six months, the now newlyweds purchased a house together in April and worked on interior decorating though the month of June. with future plans to marry in a quiet ceremony in Charleston, South Carolina.

What are some advantages to living together before marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Nowadays it is very common for couples to cohabitate prior to tying the knot. Here are some pluses to moving in together before getting married:

- 1. Finding out compatibility: One of the major benefits of living together prior to being married is figuring out if the two of you can stand to be around each other all the time. You'll be able to find out little quirks about one another to truly see if the two of you are meant to be.
- 2. Testing living arrangements: Living with someone is different than merely dating them. This is a great way to see how the two of you would be able to compromise and the lifestyle you would have as a married couple.
- **3. Taking the next step:** You and your partner may not be ready to take the plunge into marriage, but you may be ready to take another step. Moving in together is the step between dating seriously and marriage.

Did you move in with your partner before marriage? What were some of the benefits you experienced? Share with us in the comments below!

Heidi Klum Says She and Seal Aren't 'the Greatest Friends' Right Now





By Erin Minty

The relationship between now separated Heidi Klum and Seal is complicated at best, after things got heated last week. After some rude comments Seal made about Heidi, including that she should "at least wait until we separated first before deciding to fornicate with the help," the supermodel is speaking out about where things stand between the former couple. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Klum told Katie Couric, "I don't know if we're the greatest friends right now, especially because of the things that he said." She went on to say that they were in an "okay" place. After 7 years of marriage, hopefully the two will be able to work things out, especially for the sake of their 4 children, Leni, Henry, Johan and Lou.

How do you keep a messy breakup from affecting your children?

Cupid's Advice:

Breakups can be hard, especially when you and your ex had children together. Cupid has some advice on keeping a messy breakup from affecting your kids:

1. Don't talk about it in front of them: One of the most important things is to try to keep your kids out of it. You should never be badmouthing your partner in front of your

kids; it will make things uncomfortable and awkward.

- 2. Don't ignore their questions: On the other side of the spectrum, you don't want to ignore your kids' questions about your breakup. If they ask you what is going on, try to explain it to them without giving too many details about the situation.
- 3. Act normally around them: As much as it may hurt, it is important to try to act as if nothing is wrong when you are spending time with your kids. Take them to school, make their meals and talk to them about their day just as you would have before the breakup. You need to make them comfortable even when you aren't.

How did you keep a breakup from affecting your kids? Share your insight below!

Olympic Figure Skater Michelle Kwan is Engaged





By Erin Minty

Decorated Olympic figure skater Michelle Kwan has another type of decoration to add to her collection—a diamond ring! Michelle Kwan got engaged to her boyfriend Clay Pell, 30, director for strategic planning on the National Security staff at the White House, on September 3rd. The 32-year-old athlete tells <u>People</u>, "It was a simple decision and it made sense, that's what's so exciting to me." Pell proposed on Block Island, off the coast of Rhode Island, after a day on the beach and swimming with the love of his life.

What are some ways to make a marriage proposal exciting?

Cupid's Advice:

A marriage proposal is probably the most important you will ask (or be asked) in your relationship, so you want to make sure to do it right. Cupid has some advice on exciting and interesting ways to pop the question:

1. Wait for an unexpected moment: For those who love surprises, a proposal is much more romantic and exciting when it is a complete surprise. Plan yours for a time when your partner will not be expecting it, or somehow fit it in to your partner's daily schedule so they will be completely shocked

- 2. Plan an overly romantic night: For those who love the romance films, go overboard and then some with your proposal. Rent out a restaurant, invite your partner's family and friends to come, or any other extreme moment that they will never forget. Pick up some classic romance movies for inspiration.
- 3. Have a private getaway: For those who like their privacy, plan a romantic getaway to pop the question. Make sure the two of you are completely alone, and tell your partner all the things you are looking for in your future together before getting down on one knee. This will always be a special memory that only the two of you share.

What made your marriage proposal exciting? Share your story below!

Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds Vowed to 'Make Each Other Laugh'





By Erin Minty

Hollywood's newest married couple Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds celebrated their surprise wedding on September 9th with vows that they wrote themselves. The wedding was small and personal, and their vows reflected that feeling. A source revealed to *People*, "They promised to support and love each other and to make each other laugh." Reynolds "said he would treasure Blake; she said she would adore him." The romantic celebration was held at Boone Hall Plantation outside of Charleston, South Carolina, and featured everything from after-dinner s'mores to a paper lantern send off.

What are the advantages to writing your own vows?

Cupid's Advice

When planning a wedding, the decision to use prewritten vows or to write your own can make a big difference in the tone of your celebration. Cupid has some advice:

1. Personality: Writing your own vows will make what you are saying special and give your long wedding speeches a bit of personality. You can say whatever you want in them; add a touching personal story and individuality that will make your day even more special than it already is.

- 2. Set the tone: If you want to engage your audience at your wedding, then writing your own vows would be the best way to set whatever tone it is you choose. If you want to make people laugh, tell some funny stories about your partner, or if you want to make people cry, tell your innermost thoughts and feelings towards your partner. It's your decision!
- 3. Authenticity: If you and your partner decide to write your own vows, you and your audience will know how authentic the words each of you says are. Although you should already know how your partner feels before you get to the end of the isle, personally written vows will reconfirm everything you have been told as you hear the exact way that your partner is feeling about your marriage.

What were some advantages to writing your own vows? Let us know in the comments below!

Carrie Ann Inaba Calls Off Her Engagement





By Jennifer Ross

Dancing with the Stars judge, Carrie Ann Inaba, and her fiancé, Jesse Sloan, have called off their wedding. The two came to this decision back in early summer and have remained friends since then, according to <u>People</u>. There is no news yet of the official reason for the break-up. Sloan had proposed to Inaba, on <u>Live!</u> With Regis and Kelly in March 2011.

What are some circumstances in which you should call off your engagement?

Cupid's Advice:

You have just begun to plan for your wedding, but something seems wrong with your vision. Is it the venue, the dress, the caterer…or the fiancé? Before you pick out the invitation card, you had better confirm your fiancé is the one. Here are a few warning signs that it is best not to move forward with the wedding:

1. Simply too young: As you think about your future wedding day, you notice your fiancé thinks about future clubbing days. Are you two on the right path? Sometimes, an engagement can make a person realize just how young they are and whether they are ready for the life-long commitment of marriage. If being

engaged is too much too soon, do not fret. There is plenty of time to get there, as long as you are willing to work it out.

- 2. I don't know you: As exciting as it is to become engaged, it is also added pressure to your relationship. It is during this new level of stress that deeper levels of a personality will come out and they are not all positive. Is your partner the same person you thought you they were? Do they handle the pressure in a good or bad way? If the engagement had brought out a bad side you have never seen, you may have not known them after all.
- 3. Avoids discussing the wedding: It is only natural that one partner may be more interested in the wedding details than the other. However, if your fiancé completely objects to speaking about any details at all, there is a bigger problem. To have any annoyance or hostility to an event that is suppose to join you two as one means one of you either is not ready to get married or believes they are marrying the wrong person. Either way, all plans should stop.

Did something happen that made you realize it was time to call off the engagement? Tell us below.

Penn Badgley Says He's 'Genuinely Happy' For Blake Lively





By Jennifer Ross

You can add Penn Badgley to the list of people happy to hear of Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds' marriage. According to <code>UsMagazine.com</code>, he was "genuinely happy" when he heard that his ex-girlfriend, Lively, married Reynolds at Boone Hall Plantation in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina this past weekend. The relationship between Badgley and Lively severed back in 2010, and he is now dating Zoe Kravitz.

How do you know when it's time to move on from an ex-partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Once the relationship has ended with your ex, there may be a period where you still have feelings and not ready to move. However, lingering in this break-up purgatory is dangerous over time. No worries; Cupid's Pulse has a few tips to tell when it is time to emotionally say good-bye:

1. Please leave a message: Does it seem lately that you spend less time talking to your ex-partner and more time talking to their voicemail? If so, it is time to start moving on. Whether your ex is avoiding you or simply unable to answer the phone, it does not matter. The fact is, your ex is not there and neither should you.

- 2. Too busy for you: On the days that you do run into your ex, do they linger in conversation or keep it short and to the point? When your ex is too busy to talk about the good-old-times, or anytime for that matter, it is a clear sign that things are no longer lovey-dovey between you two. Do not focus on how to keep the conversation going. Instead, keep it positive and short so you, too, can be on your way.
- 3. They have moved on: An obvious sign that it is time to move from your ex is when they have a new partner. Nothing says "I don't love you anymore" like seeing your ex with their new love interest. Why stick around and be the third wheel when you, too, can be out in the world with someone new? The only way to get there is to let go!

Have you finally moved on from your ex? What made you realize it was time? Comment below.

'Bachelor Pad' Stars Blakely and Tony Get Engaged on the Show's Finale





By Jennifer Ross

In the season finale of *Bachelor Pad*, it was Nick Peterson that walked away with the \$250,000 jackpot, leaving his partner, Rachel Trueheart, empty handed. However, Peterson was not the only one to come out a winner. A surprise ending to the show happened when Tony Pieper proposed to his girlfriend and partner, Blakeley Jones. It appeared as if both Jones, 28, and Chris Harrison, host of the show, were unaware of Pieper's, 30, plans. According to *People*, Jones has been reported saying that although she knew she would marry Pieper someday, she had no idea when it would happen. Let's hope their marriage is not as fast as their dating relationship.

What are some very public ways to propose marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Almost every man, at one point in his life, will have to answer that day old question — "How should I propose to the love of my life?" From the simple to the over-the-top plan, Cupid's Pulse has a few ideas for you to consider.

1. K.I.S.S.: When in doubt, Keep It Smart and Simple. While being proposed to can make a person feel like No. 1, not everyone enjoys being the center of attention. A good way to

propose low key at home is to remove all her jewelry from her jewelry box and replace it with just the ring. Then, wait for her surprise reaction when she finds it as she is getting dressed.

- 2. Spell it out: Another great idea is to get the loved ones involved in helping you propose. Plan a party, inviting all your friends and family. Recruit some of the attendees to wear a T-shirt bearing one letter of the phrase, "Will you marry me?" Then, as soon as you two walk in, suggest a group photo and let the shirts speak for themselves.
- 3. Look up: For an outrageous idea, why not propose surrounded by thousands of your "closest friends" and your favorite team! Many sporting events allow bookings for your proposal to be shown on their scoreboard or big screen arena-boards. Just be sure to book it days or weeks in advance, depending on the popularity of the game. Another benefit is the booking fee usually goes towards the team's foundation.

How were you proposed to? Have a great proposal story for us? Tell us below!

Prince William and Kate Middleton Take Pre-Tour Getaway to France





By Erin Minty

Everyone's favorite royal couple managed to squeeze in some alone time before starting to tour again. Prince William and Kate Middleton were spotted in France spending their time relaxing together, reading and sunbathing. As <code>UsMagazine.com</code> reports, today, the royal couple starts their Asian tour in Singapore as a part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. But they made sure to get in a romantic vacation before the work started up again, and the Provence region of France was a great place to do just that.

What are some relaxing and romantic vacations to go on as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

When you and your partner need to get away, what better way to de-stress and unwind than a romantic vacation? Cupid has some advice on the best vacation spots to go as a couple:

1. If you like the beach: Don't try to go somewhere that is overcrowded, or the relaxation part of your vacation won't really work out. If you're looking for a private, romantic beach scene, try Islamorada, Florida. With the beautiful scenery of jungle-like plants and a clean, white beach,

Islamorada has been the backdrop for countless photo shoots, and would be a great getaway spot for you and your partner.

- 2. If you like the ski-slopes: If you and your partner are snow lovers with a passion for skiing, you should check out Beaver Creek, Colorado for your next getaway. The downhill slopes attract all types of skiers, and the beautiful log cabin is a great place to relax with some hot cocoa by the fire.
- 3. If you are a tourist at heart: Traveling to another country would be a great vacation for any couple who likes to experience new cultures and take in the scenery. Rome, Italy is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, and has countless hours of destinations to visit. Take a cooking class, have a glass of wine, and relax with your partner in the beautiful setting of Italy.

What was the most relaxing romantic vacation you took with your partner? Let us know your story below

Anna Paquin and Stephen Moyer Welcome Twins





By Jenny Schafer for

Celebrity Baby Scoop

Congratulations to Anna Paquin and Stephen Moyer!

"We can confirm that Anna Paquin and Stephen Moyer recently welcomed their twins into the world," reps for the actors tell PEOPLE. "The babies were born a few weeks early, but are in good health and both Mom and Dad are overjoyed."

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These are the first children together for Anna, 30, and Stephen, 42, who were wed in August 2010. The twins joined Stephen's older children — daughter Lilac, 10, and son Billy, 12 — from previous relationships.

Beyoncé Says She and Jay-Z Enjoy Changing Diapers





By Erin Minty

Beyoncé and her man Jay-Z have been in total baby bliss since the birth of their daughter Blue Ivy in January of this year. The sexy songstress spoke out about her role as a mother on Anderson Live last week, <u>People</u> reports. Beyoncé shares, "I love changing diapers, I love it. I love every moment of it, it's so beautiful. I love it all." She also told Anderson Cooper that she often sings Blue to sleep by making up crazy songs. And Jay-Z's role in all this? According to his wife, he is "very good" at changing diapers as well!

How does having a child bring you closer together as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Deciding to have a baby with your partner can be a stressful time, but it can also lead to a stronger relationship. Cupid has some advice on how adding a child to your family can bring you closer together with your partner:

1. Shared responsibility: When you and your partner decide to

have a baby, you are now not only looking out for yourselves, but you have to take care of a child you relies solely on you. Sharing this huge responsibility of taking care of a baby will bring you closer together because you truly have something that belongs to both of you.

- 2. Bonding time: A baby can bring two people closer together because of the fact that you will spend so much time together when taking care of the child. Bonding over the time spent, whether it is feeding, cleaning or even putting your baby to bed will strengthen you and your partner's relationship.
- 3. Taking time more seriously: When you do have a baby, it probably will mean less alone time for you and your partner. While that may sound negative, it will force you to take the time you do have more seriously, and spend every second you can being with your partner. You won't take a second of time for granted!

How has having a child strengthened your relationship? Share your insight below!

Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively are Married!





By Erin Minty

After nearly a year of dating, Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively have tied the knot. A source disclosed to <u>People</u> that the two were married on Sunday night at Boone Hall Plantation in Mt. Pleasant, S.C., just outside of Charleston. After meeting on the set of <u>The Green Lantern</u> in 2011, the couple has been going strong, working out together and buying a house in Bedford, NY just a few weeks ago. Reynolds was previously married to Scarlett Johansson until their divorce in 2010, but Lively has never been married. How the couple kept this marriage completely under wraps from everyone is a mystery, but hopefully it will last.

What are some ways to keep your wedding a surprise?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes, couples want to keep their wedding a surprise. Cupid has some advice on how to do just that:

- 1. Don't wear an engagement ring out: If you don't want people know about your upcoming wedding, an engagement ring is the easiest tip. Keep yours hidden and don't wear it out around nosy friends.
- 2. Have a small ceremony: Obviously if your wedding is a

secret, very few people will be invited. Keep the invite list small, by just including your family and closest friends in order to keep your plans from being told to everyone.

3. Have the ceremony somewhere unexpected: Getting married in your hometown will probably be an easy giveaway. Try to plan your wedding out of town to keep the rumors from spreading.

How did you keep your wedding a surprise? Let us know in the comments below!

Kristen Stewart Says She and Rob Pattinson Are 'Totally Fine'





By Nicole Weintraub

With the final installment of the *Twilight* series coming out, fans are wondering how estranged lovers Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson will act on the red carpet. Stewart informed *UsMagazine.com* that the two are "totally fine". The couple dated for three years throughout the famous vampire series. The star made her first public appearance for her new film *On the Road* in Toronto. She assured the public that she would not miss it, for in her words, "I belonged there." It seems that the two are prepared to remain professional, as they will soon begin to promote the release of the final *Twilight* movie.

How do you remain civil with someone who has broken your heart?

Cupid's Advice:

We have all been there — having to face the one person who tore out our heart. Here are some ways on how to remain civil with your past partners:

- 1. Keep your head high: No matter what, keep your shoulders back and your head held high. Do not let the person who broke your heart know how much they hurt you. This will show them that you have moved on from them.
- 2. Smile and nod: Do not be bitter or angry towards them because that will show them that they have hurt you. Wish them well and mingle elsewhere, you do not need to have an entire conversation with them.
- **3. Don't react impulsively:** Try to keep your cool and remember that you are better off without them. By remaining calm and collected, you are showing them that you are ready to move on.

How do you handle being around someone who broke your heart? Share your thoughts below.

Ryan Lochte Confesses to a Crush on Blake Lively





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While Blake Lively may be newlyweds with Ryan Reynolds, there's another Ryan who has an eye out for her. Olympic gold medalist Ryan Lochte admitted to <u>People</u> that the <u>Gossip Girl</u> star "makes my toes curl". Though the two have not officially met yet, Lochte admits that he would break his diet just for her since Lively has a weakness for homemade goods. Lochte is attracted to women who have a similar style as Lively in the sense that they have a versatile fashion. Ladies that can go from wearing a dress out on the town one night and then wear laidback jerseys make his heart skip a beat.

How do you make first moves on a crush?

Cupid's Advice:

Here are some tips on how to make the first move on your new crush:

- 1. Flirt it up: Send those sly messages, especially if you want the other person to know how you feel. Be sure to pay attention to what your crush is talking about so they know you are listening.
- 2. Go out as a group: The best way to get to know someone better is by spending time with them in a group setting. Socialize with everyone but be sure to spend some alone time with your crush to have some one on one bonding time.
- **3. Spend time as friends:** The more time you spend together, the more you will be able to get to know one another. Go out for coffee or visit a local museum. The more you two talk, the higher the chances of something happening.

Have you ever made the first move? Share your experiences below.

Venus Williams Steps Out With New Boyfriend Elio Pis





By Nicole Weintraub

Tennis champ Venus Williams has found herself a new love interest, according to <u>People</u>. The lucky man is none other than Elios Pis, a Cuban model who has been working with Williams on her athletic line, EleVen. The two have been reportedly dating for several months, and her new beau supported her from the sidelines during her matches. Last year, Williams dropped out of the U.S. Open, though last week she came back to the sport with her new man cheering her on. While she lost in the second round, the pair will be around for New York Fashion Week.

What are some ways to support your partner's career?

Cupid's Advice:

There is a fine line between being proud of your partner for their career accomplishments and being too involved. Here are some tips on how to support your partner:

- 1. Cheer them on: Attend important staff functions with them; introduce yourself to your partner's coworkers. There are tons of ways to show your partner you support them by just being there for them.
- 2. Don't get too involved: Don't constantly be around your

partner's workplace or get too friendly with coworkers. Just remember that this is your partner's career and not your own. It's fine to support them and be involved but don't overstay your welcome.

3. Lend a shoulder: When your partner is having a tough week, listen to them. Help them through it by offering them advice and trying to get their mind off of things. Don't try to solve their problems for them.

How do you show support for your partner's career? Tell us!

Kristen Stewart Is Spotted in Rob Pattinson's Old T-Shirt





By Nicole Weintraub

Kristen Stewart emerged Wednesday wearing a familiar looking

t-shirt. According to <u>People</u>, the <u>Twilight</u> star was wearing former beau Robert Pattinson's T-shirt that he was photographed wearing whilst walking his dog last year. If it was not his t-shirt, it was an exact copy since the two shirts are identical. The infamous couple split when Stewart had an affair with her <u>Snow White</u> co-star Rupert Sanders. Once the scandal went public, Stewart made a public apology directed towards Pattinson. Since then the two have not been photographed together, but will need to promote their upcoming film that is the final installment of the <u>Twilight</u> series so confrontations are bound to occur in the upcoming months.

What are some ways to show your ex-partner that you miss them?

Cupid's Advice:

Break ups are hard to endure, especially when you regret having them. Sometimes parting ways is beneficial for both parties but other times you still have feelings for them. Here are some tips on how to show your ex that you miss them:

- 1. Don't rebound: If you're constantly going out and about, looking for other guys then your former beau is going to get the message that you are ready to move on. Seeing you with members of the opposite sex will not make them jealous but ruin chances you have of getting back together.
- 2. Let them know: Be honest. If your former beau does not return the same feelings, then at least you can say that you tried and did your best. Just let them know that you still care about them.
- **3. Talk to them:** Avoiding your ex-partner is going to do the exact opposite of what you are hoping for. By letting them know that you are still involved in their lives, they will see that they are still important to you.

Have you ever had feelings for an ex-partner? How did you let

Was LeAnn Rimes' Breakdown Fueled By Fears of Eddie Cibrian Cheating?





By Nicole Weintraub

LeAnn Rimes reportedly checked herself into a 30-day rehabilitation facility due to her anxiety, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The star has been dealing with circulating rumors regarding her romance with Eddie Cibrian. The pair met back in 2009 when they were each respectively married to their former partners. Rimes has been called a home wrecker and has been fearful of Cibrian's wandering eye. In response to checking herself into rehab, Cibrian has showed support for

her decision, declaring, "I hope she will find what she is looking for while in rehab."

What do you do if you suspect your partner is cheating?

Cupid's Advice:

Cheating is a serious accusation, so here are some steps on what to do if you think your partner is being unfaithful:

- 1. Don't jump to conclusions: It is easy to suspect the worst and to emotionally prepare ourselves for what we dread. However, if your partner does not respond your calls or texts immediately give them the benefit of the doubt. Rushing to conclusions is only going to get you into trouble.
- 2. Look at your evidence: If a person has cheated before, it is true that they are more than likely to do it again. Multiple suspicious behaviors are ground for suspecting that your partner has a wandering eye. If the excuses and the evidence keeps adding up, do not ignore it.
- **3. Confrontation:** Be upfront with your partner and tell them that you know something is going on. If you have valuable proof, present it to them. Further discuss what the next option is for the two of you whether it be working through it or going separate ways.

What were some red flags that you saw when you were being cheated on? Share your experiences below.