# New Couple: Are Mary-Kate Olsen and Olivier Sarkozy Dating?





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e mature businesswoman Mary-Kate Olsen thinks the 42-year-old Olivier Sarkozy is just right for her. The two have been reportedly dating for over a month now. A source for <u>UsMagazine.com</u> says Olsen's choice to date a man 17 years older than her is because "She got the kid out of her system. Now being a businesswoman dominates her time, and she is rarely impressed with guys." The new couple seems very content with where they are, having recently attended a Knicks game as well as spent Memorial Day weekend together in the Hamptons. Maybe the age difference will end up working out for Olsen and

Frenchman Sarkozy.

How can you tell if your partner is mature enough for you?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Most of the time, people will be on a different maturity level than what their age defines them as. It's all about finding the perfect fit for where you are. Here are some tips to tell if your partner is mature enough for you:

- 1. Settled Down: Usually if someone has decided to settle down in one place with a stable job, then they've reached a level of maturity where they want to get serious, and that's a good sign.
- 2. Life Goals: You can usually tell a person's maturity level based on what they want to do in the future. They must be striving towards goals that will make them successful and happy, and that's who you want to be with.
- 3. Recent Relationships: Try doing a little background check on your partner. See why they chose the paths they did in life, and maybe why their most recent relationship ended the way it did. It will tell you a lot about what they want and what they're serious about.

What do you think are some signs someone is mature enough for you? Share your thoughts below.

## Justin Timberlake and Jessica

## Biel Celebrate Their Engagement





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w that Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel are engaged, the pair couldn't be happier. Saturday evening the pair celebrated at a cocktail party thrown by Jessica's stylist Estee Stanley.

Onlookers told <u>People</u> that "Justin and Jessica arrived at the party looking very excited. Jessica was stunning in a long dress with her hair down. Estee created a very warm, welcoming and festive party for the couple."

The two rejoiced in the festivities and "danced and looked very happy," the source says.

What are some unique ideas for an engagement party?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Many couples celebrate their engagements in the same old way: rent a hall and invite the generic guest list. But why not do something a little more interesting and unique to your relationship? Here are a few ideas to consider:

- 1. Where You First Met: When selecting a venue for your engagement party, why not take advantage of the place you met your future spouse? From the local pub to a museum, most of these places are viable options to announce your pending nuptials to your loved ones.
- 2. The Park: Many couples have large extended families. A picturesque picnic in the park is a great way to include everyone. The little ones can play games while the adults indulge in tasty cocktails and classic picnic munchies.
- 3. Have a House Party: One of the best ways to declare your love for one another to your loved ones is to invite them into your own home. Whether it's a catered cocktail party or you simply grill in the yard, this idea is always a welcomed one.

Tell us about your unique engagement party ideas. Share your experiences with a comment below.

## 'Bones' Star Tamara Taylor Finalizes Her Divorce





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mmer may be the time for love and romance for some couples, but for 41-year-old actress, Tamara Taylor, and her attorney husband Miles Cooley, it's time to finalize their divorce, according to <u>People</u>. The couple put the kibosh on their marriage back in February, with Taylor being the one to file for divorce. Since their union in 2007, the two never had any children. This has made the split a lot less messy, and it's easier for each of them to accept the situation in order to move on from their failed relationship.

What are some ways to remain amicable after a split?

### Cupid's Advice:

Breaking up is never easy, which is true in any relationship or marriage. If you and your partner are going separate ways, it's important to remain amicable towards one another. Cupid has some tips:

1. Give each other some breathing room: You're both experiencing a lot of hurt, so it's not going to help either

of you if you're constantly at one another's throats. Keep some space between the two of you so that you can each take your own approach in handling it.

- 2. Be nice: You don't even have to go out of your way to do this one. Just treat your past loved one with kindness, because it may be the end of the road now, but you did once love each other.
- **3. Don't pick unnecessary fights:** Obviously what's done is done, so don't waste your energy on arguments with your ex. That negativity will only stress both of you out more, so pick and choose your battles to avoid petty drama.

Do you find that breaking up is easier if you remain amicable after a split? Share your experiences below.

## Rumor: Is Tara Reid Dating a 60-Year-Old Jeweler?





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though major age gaps in celebrity relationships have become more common, people were shocked when Tara Reid was spotted looking quite comfortable with Fawaz Gruosi, a man 26 years her senior. So is it true? Are the two really dating? According to Reid's rep, the rumors are "totally false" and the two are just friends. That said, Reid recently told E! host, Giuliana Rancic, that while she is very content being single, she wouldn't say "no" to meeting a new guy, according to E! Online.

What are some ways to tell that your age difference is affecting your relationship?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Most celebrity relationships with a significant age gap don't last very long. Here are some warning signs that your age difference is affecting your relationship:

1. Jealousy: If you start to notice your mate getting fed up with all the attention you're getting from others, then

beware! Whether he's older or younger, he may be feeling insecure about his own age. Similarly, if you begin feeling insecure about your own worth to him, it can hinder your relationship.

- 2. One of you wants to try new things but the other doesn't: While one of you is still in an "up for anything" mentality, the other has already been there and might not want to do certain things. When it becomes a constant trend that one of you stays in while the other goes out, it may be time to call it quits.
- **3. You have the same arguments:** The fact that you're in different places in your lives can lead to conflict over the same topic. You want kids, he doesn't. He wants to move, you don't. No matter how mature both of you are, or how in love, recognizing your own wants and needs *first* is a must.

How did you know than an age difference was hurting your relationship? Tell us your story below.

## Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan Enjoy a Honeymoon Boat Ride





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eir wedding day may be over, but Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan's adventure has just begun! The two newlyweds were spotted in Italy enjoying their honeymoon out on the sea, says <u>People</u>. The Amalfi Coast tends to be a popular destination for many celebrity honeymooners, such as Reese Witherspoon and Kim Kardashian. The open sea and beautiful landscape gives newlyweds a chance to partake in a variety of activities.

## What are some thrilling activities you can partake in on your honeymoon?

## Cupid's Advice:

As you embark on a new life together, why not take part in a little adventure as well? Here are some ways you and your man can create exciting and unforgettable memories:

1. Take a surf lesson: Learning something new gives you and your mate a chance to help each other out. You'll both be a little out of your element, but it will be fun to make mistakes together and watch the other succeed.

- 2. Go bungee jumping: Doing something completely out of your comfort zone gives each of you a chance to show your support for the other. Helping each other overcome a fear is rewarding in itself and will inevitably bring you closer together.
- **3. Get immersed in the culture:** Heading to Hawaii? Go to a Hula Dance performance. Off to Italy? Enjoy a delicious pasta dinner. Taking advantage of your travels and exploring a different lifestyle together will give you and your new partner something to remember for ages.

Did you have an adventurous honeymoon? Tell us your story below.

## Brooke Mueller's Binge with Charlie Sheen Lands Her Back in Rehab





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es Charlie Sheen and Brooke Mueller recently reunited for rour days to partake in a crazy long-lived binge involving drugs and alcohol, according to *Celebuzz*. This act, unfortunately, has landed Mueller back in rehab with the potential for going to jail. The mother of two is on probation from a drug arrest taking place in Aspen, Colo. in December 2011. Mueller's rep confirms, "As part of her ongoing treatment and as planned, she voluntarily checked herself into a rehab facility several weeks ago." According to a source, Mueller "met up with Charlie again, partied for four days straight at his Mulholland Estate home and ultimately fell off the wagon."

#### How do you know if your partner is a bad influence?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Your significant other is supposed to bring out the best in you, but sometimes he or she may have the opposite affect. Here are some ways to tell your partner is a bad influence:

#### 1. You do things that you used to feel were wrong: Doing

things you wouldn't normally do can often be a good thing, as your partner should encourage you to come out of your shell. That said, if you find yourself partaking in things that used to trigger your moral radar, it's time to come to your senses.

- 2. You're breaking the law: This may seem obvious, but if you find yourself doing drugs you never used to consider or driving after drinking as you used to refrain from, beware of the bad influence.
- 3. Your friends are pulling away: One great way to tell that your partner is changing you for the worse is to judge your friend's reactions. If you notice the contact you have with your friends is dwindling, it could be because of the negative affect your mate is having on you.

What are other ways to tell your partner is a bad influence? Share your thoughts below.

## Jessica Biel Says Married Life with Justin Timberlake Won't Change Anything





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wly engaged actress Jessica Biel says married life with Justin Timberlake won't change a thing once they tie the knot. In fact, Biel says her role as housewife will be limited, as her career keeps her away from home, according to <u>People</u>. Biel, 30, and Timberlake, 31 plan to marry this summer.

#### What are some ways life changes after you get married?

### Cupid's Advice:

Getting married is a big deal for many reasons. Although you may agree with Biel that married life isn't that different, there are some changes that come with the territory:

- 1. Family: Even if you already have kids or don't plan on having them, your spouse is now your family and that's a big change. You are committing yourself to this person, and he or she will be present during all of the great (and all the not-so-great) moments in your life.
- 2. Single life: Single fun is different than married fun, but

don't give up on dates and flirting with your spouse. Incorporate the things you found fun while single into your marriage so things don't change *too* much.

3. A new you: Even if you and your partner were living together before, you're going to spend a lot more time together as a couple. Don't be surprised if you adopt new mannerisms, your tastes broaden and you find yourself developing and expanding who you are.

What are some other things that change when you get married?

## Prince William Admits That He and Kate Want Kids





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ince William and Kate Middleton, whose wedding was a little over a year ago, finally have family planning on their minds. As <u>People</u> reported, William says both he and Middleton are eager to have kids and start building a family. However, he remained reserved about any specific plans, ignoring the rumors that his wife might already be pregnant. At the moment, the Prince has another decision on his mind, as he debates returning to the Royal Air Force or devoting his full efforts to his responsibilities as prince.

How do you know if your partner would be a good parent?

### Cupid's Advice:

Having a child and starting a family takes a lot of work from both you and your partner. If you're trying to tell if your significant other would be a great parent, consider these ideas:

1. Think about how your partner acts around kids: Whether it's their relatives, people at their workplace or just kids in the

neighborhood, chances are that your partner deals with children once in a while. If he or she is friendly and supportive, they'll probably be a great parent. If kids seem to annoy them, you might want to reconsider your plans.

- 2. Try a pet: Animals are less responsibility than children, but caring for them still takes a lot of work. Taking care of a pet can strengthen your relationship and is a great way to practice being a parent. If your partner treats your pet with love and compassion, the odds are good that they'll treat your child the same way.
- 3. Talk about it: Sure, it seems obvious, but having kids is a decision you and your partner need to make together. He or she probably has a very good sense of whether they'd make a good parent, so ask what they think. Discussing this sooner rather than later can give you a better idea of where your relationship is headed, and will help build the openness and communication that all relationships need.

How do you know if your partner is ready to be a parent? Tell us below.

## Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith Discuss How They Make Their Relationship Work





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idst rumors of marital woes, Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith are proving that they are stronger than ever. The couple of almost 15 years adamantly denies the troubled relationship rumors, which Jada calls "ridiculous." At the *Men in Black III* premiere in New York City, Smith told *People*, "Being there for each other and being present with our kids is the most important thing. I take being a parent very seriously." Smith went even further in showing love for his wife by saying, "I'm so lucky to have someone like Jada. She's really an incredible woman, wife and mother." It sounds like there's no trouble in paradise here!

How do you keep the spark alive in a long-term relationship?

### Cupid's Advice:

In long-term relationships, couples often get too comfortable with each other and forget about the spark that brought them together in the first place. Here are some ways to keep that spark lit:

- 1. Do things together: Do simple things together like helping each other out around the house. A little help can go a long way, and it leaves more room for the two of you to have alone time together.
- 2. Kick up the romantic gestures: Some think that once you put a ring on it, it's no longer necessary to impress your partner. Wrong. Spreading rose petals, lighting a few candles and enjoying intimate dinners are all simple ideas that can keep the butterflies fluttering in your stomach even after years of being together.
- 3. Be spontaneous: In a long-term relationship, you may find yourself settling into a routine, and lets face it, routines can be monotonous. Keep the spark alive by taking a weekend road trip or exploring different restaurants here and there. It's important to not get stuck in a rut.

How do you keep the spark alive in your relationship? Tell us below.

## Kim Kardashian Gives Love Advice as Guest Star on 'Drop Dead Diva'





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e beautiful Kim Kardashian did the honors of being a guest star for the June 3rd season premiere of Lifetime's hit TV show, Drop Dead Diva. The reality television veteran, who divorced Kris Humphries late last year and is now dating Kanye West, portrays a juice bar worker who is rumored to be a relationship guru. In the premiere preview, Kardashian's character offers love advice to a struggling model played by April Blowby, who still has feelings for her ex. Drop Dead Diva creator Josh Berman praises the 31-year-old for her acting skills, telling UsMagazine.com, "I'm blown away by her smarts, sense of humor, and passion." After Kardashian's appearances in the show's season premiere, in addition to two other episodes, the reality television star is sure to be a pro.

How do you decide who to ask for relationship advice?

### Cupid's Advice:

Obtaining relationship advice is important for any individual

who is looking to make sense of what is going on in their love life. Here are some ways to help you choose the right experts:

- 1. The mediator: A mediator thinks logically, distinguishing between what is right and wrong or irrational and rational, rather than picking a single person's side.
- 2. The one in an ideal relationship: Great relationships usually have amazing individuals who maintain them. They are likely to have the knowledge it takes to make good decisions that strengthen a relationship.
- **3. The one you trust:** A trustworthy friend has your best interests at heart. They'll give you the best advice that they can.

How do you choose who to seek relationship advice from? Share your stories with us.

## Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan Honeymoon in Rome





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wlyweds Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan literally had the world at their feet when it came to choosing a honeymoon spot, but the couple found Rome to be best fit, according to *TMZ.com*. The lovebirds were spotted dining among many people at one of the city's busiest restaurants. "It looks like they didn't attract much attention — in fact, they seem to go unnoticed," said the source, which was probably a factor that went into their decision to go on the Italian adventure. With the large crowds and constant flow of people, the happy pair can go on with their business and bask in post-wedding bliss, without having to worry about being harassed by paparazzi.

## Where are some out of the way places to visit on your honeymoon?

### Cupid's Advice:

The honeymoon period for every couple is a special one, because that's the time when things are at their sweetest. Here are some extravagant places to enjoy your marriage at its

newest and most vibrant stage:

- 1. Hawaiian getaway: Hawaii is the perfect combination for feeling far from home, without having to leave the country. You and your significant other can enjoy nature in its purest, most beautiful form, while feeling completely safe and at ease. Best of all, there's no language barrier to overcome.
- 2. Australian adventure: Going 'down under' seems to be all the rave. With lots to see and do, you and your mate can choose to make your trip action-packed with scuba diving and zip lining through the rainforest, or take the more luxurious route at a variety of five star resorts.
- **3. Paris escape:** Who better to experience what the 'city of love' has to offer, than with your new partner? This French destination spews romance, perfect for celebrating the beginning of your lives together.

If you could choose any location in the world to honeymoon in, where would it be? Leave comments below.

## Keira Knightley Is Engaged to James Righton





rry guys, Keira Knightley is officially off the market, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. After only a year of dating, the Oscar-nominated actress is engaged to the Klaxons keyboard player, James Righton. Knightley's publicist, Sara Keene, confirmed the engagement to the Associated Press, but revealed the couple wanted to remain hushed regarding the details of the proposal and the wedding planning. This will be the first marriage for both Righton and the <u>Pirates of the Caribbean</u> actress.

What are some ways to tell that your partner is "the one"?

### Cupid's Advice:

Finding "the one" is more than just finding a good kisser or someone who's willing to spend a lot of money, but not enough time. Here are some ways you can tell if you have found your best match:

1. You enjoy each other: If you and your partner can lounge in the house all day eating pizza and mint chocolate chip ice

cream while catching up on all the episodes of *Weeds*, you may have found your match. It's not every day that you come across someone who can truly enjoy your company when you're having a relaxed and lazy day.

- 2. They love him: By "they," we mean family, friends... heck, even your beloved canine. If you love him and the most important people in your life love him, too, it's a win-win situation.
- **3. You can be yourself:** You sometimes can't truly be yourself around everyone you meet, but, when you find the one person that you can wake up next to each day, not put on any make-up and they still think you're the most beautiful person in the world that's "the one."

How did you know your partner was "the one?" Share your comments below.

## Jenny McCarthy Is Dating NFL's Brian Urlacher





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upcoming Playboy photo shoot for 39-year old Jenny McCarthy isn't the only new and juicy detail in the star's life. According to *People*, *E!* confirmed through McCarthy's publicist that she has been dating linebacker Brian Urlacher of the Bears for about month. The two were Chicago а spotted enjoying dinner together in the city her new beau in, specifically at Giuliana and Bill Rancic's restaurant. The actress took to the media herself on Thursday of last week at Generation Rescue autism charity event in Chicago to make the special announcement. Although McCarthy did not go into detail about her relationship with the NFL star to Chicago's NBC 5, she made sure to display support for her new man by simply stating, "Go Bears, that's all I can say."

What are some ways to announce your new relationship to friends and family?

### Cupid's Advice:

New relationships are both exciting and nerve-wracking when it comes time to sharing the news with the people you love. Here are some great ways to announce your new relationship:

- 1. Invite them to a family dinner: A setting where a nice conversation can be held will allow your family to get acquainted with your new love, and vice-versa.
- 2. Bring them to a party hosted by a close friend: The atmosphere will be fun and relaxed. All eyes won't be on you and your new babe, but it's enough to know you are a duo.
- 3. Host a game night: Invite family and friends over for a great time. Give them the opportunity to enjoy your significant other the way you do.

How have you introduced new relationships with the ones closest to you? Share your stories with us.

## 'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 3: The Dos and Don'ts of Dating A Single Mom





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Now, I am not a single mom or even a mother for that matter, but during last night's episode of 'The Bachelorette,' I got a good sense of how it may feel. I had no idea just how much parents put their children before them. It was beautiful.

I really believe that this season is no joke. They are getting down right serious. If this keeps up, Emily Maynard will come out of this experience with a good, solid man and a great relationship. How do I know that? Because this season has one thing that has been lacking from every other season: reality!

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Last night's episode was kind of like a roller coaster for me. One second, I was falling head over heels for guys like Sean, Doug and Arie. The next second, I was ready to punch the screen and throw up. Like when Ryan basically said to Emily, "I won't do you if you become a fatty." I get what he was

trying to say, but that man does not know how to sensitively deliver a message and communicate with women. Not a good sign if he wants to be a father to Emily's daughter. He would give the kid an eating disorder in less than a year. Hello, Dating Red Flag!!!

Lucky for Emily, there were numerous men who showed their true colors last night and made those flags very easy for her to spot and eliminate.

## Here are my Do's and Don'ts of Dating A Single Mom based on what I learned last night:

**Do:** Show a single mom that you know how to comfort and take care of another person. For this reason alone, I freaking love Arie. On his date, he checked in with her, touched her, asked her questions. Then, at the Rose Ceremony, he could sense that something had gone wrong, and he pulled her in close to comfort her. That shows leadership, strength and warmth. A great combination for success with any woman, especially when dating a single mom.

Do Not: Wait for a woman, especially a single mother, to bring up "the talk" if you're not feeling it. Like Tony, the single dad who was emotionally breaking down. It was hard for me to watch; I kept thinking, "If you really felt a connection with her, you would push through because that would be the best thing for you AND your son." I could tell that he just wasn't feeling it, which is why he was latching on so tightly to his son. Sweet but not attractive. He was afraid to admit "defeat." Better to be honest with yourself rather than hurt a single mom when so much is at stake.

Related: The Bachelorette 8; Episode 2 Recap: Soccer, Cookies and Muppets: Emily Maynard Keeps it Real

**Do:** Calmly express what you are thinking and picturing to a woman, while touching her at the same time. I love when Sean sat down with her, touched her forearm and communicated how a

life with him would look. SEEEEEXY!!! He did such a great job telling her who he was, what he was ready for and who he hoped to be for Emily.

**Do Not:** Tell a single mother that falling in love with her and gaining a child is a huge compromise. When Alessandro said that to her, I could feel my chest tightening up. The nerve of that man! Not to mention that he honestly seemed like a buffoon while he was talking to her. He wasn't like that last week, was he? Buddy, leave at week one if the girl's not right for you. No one should ever feel they are compromising BEFORE they get into a relationship.

Can't wait to see what happens next week! Hopefully, Ryan and Kalon will show more of their true colors, and Emily will learn that these guys are NOT father material.

## Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony Reunite on Stage in Vegas





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cently split couple Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony appeared on stage together at their variety show *Q'Viva! The Chosen* in Las Vegas on Saturday. The two stood on stage together, holding hands, at the end of the show, initiating cheers as they embraced, according to *People*. After breaking up in July, Anthony officially filed for divorce in April.

#### What are some ways to be civil during a bitter breakup?

### Cupid's Advice:

After a breakup, it's tough to face your ex. Here are some ways to combat the hurt and stay civil:

- 1. Remember the good: You and your partner didn't always hate each other. Recognize that your relationship didn't work out, but that doesn't mean you two have to be enemies.
- 2. Think of your surroundings: You likely share many parts of your life with your ex. In Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony's case, they share very similar careers. Take a note from them

to stay mature and professional and work together when you need to, for the sake of everyone around you.

**3. Apologies feel good:** Sometimes clearing the waters with an ex is a great way for you to move on with your life and feel better about yourself. Take the initiative to talk things out, and you may even be able to be friends one day.

How do you stay civil with your ex? Tell us in the comments below.

## Jason Trawick Films Congratulations Video for Britney Spears





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ile Britney Spears has been busy filming auditions as a new *X Factor* judge, her fiancé Jason Trawick was filming a little project himself. *People* reports that Trawick sent a loving and congratulatory video to Spears while in Texas. The message, which he made in bed, said, "Princess, we just completed our first weekend in Austin on *X Factor*. Just wanted to say I'm very proud of you and I love you so much. Congratulations." Spears surely appreciated the sentiment, as she took to Facebook to reply by writing, "Awww love you too Xoxo."

How do you support your partner in his or her career?

### Cupid's Advice:

It's important to support your partner in their career because their job is part of what makes them who they are. If you follow these tips, your partner could never complain that you're not supportive enough:

1. Always tell your partner you're proud: Every career comes with obstacles and challenges. Therefore, tell your partner

how proud you are of them not only when they achieve bonuses or promotions, but often. Encouragement is key.

- 2. Celebrate the milestones: Celebrate all of the moments in your partners' career where they have achieved something. It could be anything from their first presentation to becoming CEO. Just make them feel special and deserving by making dinner or taking them out for drinks.
- **3. Create a relaxing environment:** Stress and careers often go hand-in-hand. Support your partners' career by giving the occasional massage so that stress never gets in the way of them performing to their full potential in their job.

How do you support your partner in his or her career? Tell us below.

## Will Smith Says Family Is All About Love and Communication





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ll Smith said that thanks to his relationship with his family, he feels "so good it's a damn shame," according to YourTango. Smith's entire family—wife Jada Pinkett Smith, son Jaden Smith, and daughter Willow Smith—are in show business, and Smith helps them by producing their projects. He always dreamed of building a family where everyone would talk and work together, and now the Smith household is all about communication and learning lessons as a family. Though Smith noted that they don't always get everything right and they still have a lot of learning to do, he said, "It's wonderful to be with the people you love."

#### How do you ensure that your family remains bonded?

#### Cupid's Advice:

You can choose your friends and you can choose your <u>partner</u>, but you can't choose your family. Your relatives can often be the most important people in your life, but getting along with them is sometimes difficult. However, there's a lot of ways

you can keep your family ties strong. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Take time to talk: Like Smith says, communication is key to building a strong and happy family. Though modern families often live largely separate lives, try to take time to share things like the events of your day, your problems, and your thoughts on issues that matter to you. You'll find that knowing a little more about what's going on in your family members' lives will bring you all closer.
- 2. Do things together: Chances are that everyone in your family has their own busy schedules. It's also likely that they all have different interests. Though the Smiths are always busy with their careers, Will Smith still enjoys getting the whole family together for breakfast. Spending even a small amount of time doing things like sharing meals, playing games, and going on daytrips together are all great ways to strengthen your family's bonds by giving you something to connect over.
- 3. Let your family have some space: Too much togetherness can lead to an excessive amount of control. Remember that everyone in your family is a unique person who deserves chances to make their own decisions. Smith lets his children express themselves: though he didn't think Willow should have cut her hair short, he respected her rights to her own body. Ensuring everyone gets to do what they want, at least once in a while, will keep resentment from breaking apart your family bonds.

How do you keep your family together? Tell us below.

## Ace Young Proposes to Diana DeGarmo on 'Idol' Finale





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erican Idol has always had its fair share of surprises; surprising eliminations, surprise celebrity guests, and surprise...proposals? That's right, two former Idol contestants, Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo, shared their love with the world when Young got down on one knee on Wednesday nights season finale. But to make this happen, he needed help from the show that made him famous on its fifth season. Young told People, "I called [producer] Nigel [Lythgoe] directly last week and said, 'I want to do this. I'm going to do this. Is there any way I could do it at the show?'" A teary-eyed DeGarmo said "yes," and the long-time couple is now engaged.

## What are some over-the-top proposal ideas?

# Cupid's Advice:

For some, the idea of 'go big or go home' resonates well with proposals. A proposal should be momentous and representative of the love a couple shares, so here are some ideas to get that message across loud and clear:

- 1. Adrenaline rush proposal: It is said that the effects of attraction and love are linked to neurochemicals very similar to adrenaline. So, why not proclaim your love during an adrenaline rush? Propose in the air while sky diving, or go race car driving with your partner and scream the question out loud. Just make sure that your blood is pumping and heart is thumping.
- 2. Flash mob proposal: Go one step further than Justin Timberlake did in his movie *Friends with Benefits* and actually use the flash mob to propose. Nothing says 'I love you' more than hundreds of people dancing in sync to your favorite song in a public place. It's a story you'll be able to tell over and over.
- 3. Write it out: It's not as easy as it sounds. Write it in the skyline or take a helicopter ride where the words 'Will you marry me?' can be seen below. It might cost you a pretty penny, but it will be unforgettable.

What crazy proposal ideas do you have? Tell us below.

# Justin Timberlake Will Compose Music for Jessica Biel's New Film





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ssica Biel and Justin Timberlake love being together. The couple are planning their wedding and on working together. Biel is going to star in and produce a movie called *The Devil and The Deep Blue Sea* and her fiance, Timberlake, will be the music supervisor for the movie's soundtrack. According to *UsMagazine.com*, the newly engaged couple were spotted trying on wedding bands in New York City. Although they didn't make a decision on the rings, Biel is looking at Monique Lhuillier wedding gown sketches and definitely wants a big wedding.

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

## Cupid's Advice:

It's important to support your partner, but sometimes too much support can make your significant other feel suffocate. Here are some ways to support your partner's career without overdoing it:

- 1. Show up: If your partner needs you to tag along to a party or meeting that regards work, do it without hesitation.
- 2. Offer your skills: Let your partner know that you would be happy to help with their career, especially if it means lending your professional expertise.
- **3. Make scarifies:** The more your partner grows in their career, the more scarifies you should make, just as long as in doesn't belittle your own career goals.

What are some ways that you have indirectly supported your partner's career? Share your comments below.

# Emily Maynard Says Brad Womack's Recent Comments 'Really Hurt'





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e much anticipated, season-eight Bachelorette star, Emily Maynard, decided to be the bigger person when responding to her ex, Brad Womack's, recent nasty remarks. He said that "dodged a bullet" when their engagement ended, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The single mom faced the smack-talk on Access Hollywood Live on Wednesday, making a point to avoid confrontation. The 26-year-old told hosts, "At first, my feelings were really hurt, because we left everything very civil and I've never said a bad word about him. But knowing Brad, he didn't mean it that way." Neither half of the former couple have seen one another since filming for the new season of ABC's The Bachelorette started, which is probably for the best. Still on her quest for love, Maynard knew better than to fall for the petty 'he said, she said nonsense, showing not only her maturity, but also demonstrating that you can't believe everything you hear.

How do you deal with a vengeful ex?

# Cupid's Advice:

Moving on from a breakup is difficult no matter what terms the relationship ends on. If you find your ex saying mean things that he knows will get your attention, it's usually a sign that he isn't as over you, or the split, as you thought:

- 1.No response is the best response: Don't give your ex the satisfaction of dropping to his or her level. If your ex is reaching out to you, it's obviously for a reason, so if you want to keep that relationship in the past, don't let them get a rise out of you which was likely their goal in the first place.
- **2.Take it as a compliment**: If a past partner is taking time out of their day to say things about you, it's because you're on that person's mind. Smile that they still care enough about you, as they took time out of their day to vicariously reach out to you.
- **3. Use it as fuel**: If your ex is going to say cruel things about or towards you, just remember how much better off you are without that person. You deserve someone who is going to make you happy and your ex's immaturity can be used as a push in the right direction towards the one.

What are some other ways to deal with a vengeful ex? Share your thoughts below.

# Kelly Bensimon Is Back in the Dating Scene with Good

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t afraid of trying things out the second time around, former Real Housewives of New York star Kelly Bensimon, has officially stepped back into the dating scene. After ending her marriage with ex-husband Gilles Bensimon, the new author is being urged by her daughters to search for Mr. Right again. "Both her daughters, Sea and Teddy, are encouraging her to get out and to find the right guy. Kelly would like to marry again," a source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Taking heed to her daughters' advice, she stepped out to dinner with Good Morning America anchor Josh Elliot April 27. Though they appeared to hit it off over dinner, a source close to Elliot, 40, explains that their outing was a one-time thing and that the pair are

not "dating." The two met on set while she was promoting her new diet book, *I Can Make You Hot*.

How do you know when it's time to start dating after a split?

## Cupid's Advice:

Breakups can be tough, and sometimes it can be even more difficult to jump back into the dating pool. But, how do you know when it's time to dive back in after calling it quits with your former flame? Cupid has some signs that it's time to get out:

- 1. You're feeling lonely: Your ex no longer considers you a factor in their life and your friends barely know who you are anymore since you've secluded yourself in your bedroom listening to Beyonce's "Me, Myself and I" on repeat. The split probably hurt, but you'll hurt even more if you continue to isolate yourself.
- 2. Lesson learned: After any breakup, there's always something you should mentally take from it. Things may not always work out as planned, but the important thing is to realize what mistakes you made and how not to make them again.
- **3. Time:** After you've given yourself some time to regain your strength and you're no longer feeling vulnerable, then you should step back into the dating scene.

How do you know when it's time to start dating after a split? Share your comments below.

# Snooki Announces She's Having a Boy





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excited six-months-pregnant Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi officially announced this week that she and fiancé, Jionni LaValle, will be having a baby boy, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The <u>Jersey Shore</u> star was thrilled to share her good news, having said in the past, "If it's a boy, I would dress him like Pauly D." The newly engaged couple have a lot to look forward to between marriage and parenthood. Choosing not to live in the Jersey Shore house for Season 6 is one of many preparations they will have to make before their first child arrives.

How do you prepare for having a son versus a daughter?

# Cupid's Advice:

Whether or not a couple chooses to know the gender of their unborn child is entirely up to them. Some prefer the surprise, while most of the time, people find it easier to prepare for the baby if they know they are expecting a boy or girl. If the doctor tells you those fateful words, "It's a boy," here are some things to keep in mind:

- 1. Blue, blue: You may or may not have been secretly envisioning pretty pink bows and dresses, but tuck those ideas away for the meantime and get ready to see a lot of blue. Luckily, there are plenty of other boy-friendly colors, such as green, yellow, and gray, but those bright pinks and purples are probably out for now.
- 2. Barbie won't make the cut: You may still have your doll house from when you were a little girl, but unfortunately that's probably not going to be of much interest to a growing baby boy. Toys are relatively universal up to the first year or two, but after that, anything that has wheels or goes fast will be in your son's hands at all times.
- **3. Father-son bonding**: The relationship between father and son is certainly a special one. Every man fantasizes of their first catch together or teaching his little guy to ride a bike. Boys will always be boys, but don't feel like you can't join in on the fun. The rough facade won't be on all the time, and your son will need and want his mommy time just as much.

What major effects has gender had on your new-baby preparations? Share your experiences below.

# Kelly Clarkson Says She's 'Too Happy' With Her Boyfriend





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it a romance too good to believe? Former American Idol Kelly Clarkson told <u>UsMagazine.com</u> that she's incredibly pleased with her relationship with talent manager Brandon Blackstock. "I'm too happy!" she said. "He's ruining my creativity!" Clarkson may be known for her unlucky love life and sad songs like "Behind These Hazel Eyes," but she says that her feelings for Blackstock are keeping her from writing other breakup melodies. As Clarkson said, "It's an awesome problem to have."

What are some signs your relationship is too good to be true?

# Cupid's Advice:

It's easy to be head-over-heels in a new relationship, especially if it's been a long time since you last dated someone. However, keeping your relationship grounded makes it last longer. If your relationship has any of these signs, it might be time to take a step back into reality:

- 1. You stop wanting to see other people: It's always great to spend a lot of time with your partner, but it's important to maintain your own personal friendships. If you find that you don't want to see or hang out with anyone else, your relationship might just be too strong to last.
- 2. You lose interest in things you used to enjoy: Your interests and talents are important parts of who you are. If you feel like these are being stifled by your partner, it's possible that you've gotten too close for comfort. Make sure to take time out for yourself once in a while.
- 3. You can't envision yourself not being in the relationship: Of course, we all want a good relationship to last. But focusing too much on it can be difficult and straining for both of you. Try to remember who you were before you began dating in order to keep your partnership in perspective.

Have you ever been in a relationship you couldn't believe was true? Tell us below.

# Kristen Stewart Calls Robert Pattinson's Dog a Baby





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th her upcoming roll in *Snow White and the Huntsman*, it looks like Kristen Stewart is like the Disney Princess in more ways than one. Not only does the actress have an 8-year-old cat named Max, but she also helps care for her boyfriend, Robert Pattinson's, dog Bear, according to *People*. When asked which animal loved her more, Stewart said, "They both love me in very different ways. Bear is literally a child." In reference to her cat Max, she stated, with an unpleasant face, "I mean, we live together. He's like my roommate." In 2010, the actress even said, "I'm going to be a crazy cat lady one day, I'm sure."

How can caring for a pet together bring you closer as a couple?

# Cupid's Advice:

Caring for an animal with your beau can really bring you together as a couple. Here's how:

- 1. It enables you to watch your partner in action: How your mate treats an animal is a strong indication of how he will treat you and your potential future family. If he couldn't care less if the dog has enough food or water, or locks it up in a cage all day, chances are he will become a self-centered father and husband.
- 2. It is a symbol of commitment: Adopting an animal together is a serious thing. It shows that you are willing to form an emotional bond together revolving around another life. It shows that you are not intending on leaving anytime soon.
- 3. You are responsible for a life together: Caring for an animal the two of you both love is the first step to being accountable to someone other than each other. This can be the first step in deciding whether or not you want a family with this person.

How did your pet bring you and your love closer together? Share your thoughts below.