Brad Pitt Says Celebrity Engagement With Angelina Jolie 'Made Sense'





One half of the hottest Hollywood couple — Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie — attended the Cannes Film Festival on Tuesday. The actor took the time to discuss his recent celebrity engagement to his leading lady. According to <u>People</u>, Pitt said the engagement was "something that made sense." Although he was in France to promote his new gangster movie Killing Them Softly, he also put to rest a rumor that he and his celebrity love were planning to marry in August. He explained, "There is no date. We're still hoping for marriage equality in the United States before we get married." With that said, Hollywood may just have to wait a little longer for their walk down the aisle.

Pitt knew he was ready for his celebrity engagement. What are some ways to tell it's time to pop the question?

Cupid's Advice:

An engagement is one of the most important steps in a relationship, The biggest decision is choosing when to make the move. How did Pitt know that his celebrity engagement was at the right time? Here is some relationship advice on when to pop the question:

1. Consider her constant hints: If a girl is ready for that next step, she will usually let you know in some way or another. She may start to discuss her dream engagement ring or a friend's recent wedding. Listen out for any clue your partner may be giving.

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2. Talk of the future: If your significant other always includes you in his or her future plans about relationship and love, it may be time to starting thinking about taking that next step. The word "our" rather than "my" means a lot more them than you think!

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3. You're 100 percent committed: If you are crazy in love, completely faithful, and can't imagine being with anyone else, maybe it's time to prove this commitment to your partner. Show your mate that you want them in your life forever by proposing.

How would you show your man that you're ready for him to pop the question? Share your ideas below.

'Bachelorette' Emily Maynard Discusses Sending Home Joe





Season 8's Bachelorette Emily Maynard recently talked about her tough decision to send home hopeful bachelor, Joe, in her blog for <u>People</u>. Maynard discussed her date with Joe, mentioning how fun of a time she had with him. However, she said, "I knew that we were just in different place in our lives." So, even though she had a blast with fun-loving bachelor, she knew they weren't a good match and let him go.

How do you know when to cut ties early in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

- 1. Know both of your intentions: If one of you is just looking for someone to go on dates with and simply keep them company and the other wants marriage, that's an issue that needs to be addressed immediately. Like Emily Maynard, you have to recognize when the person you're dating is in a different place in their life than you. You can't keep a relationship going if the two of you have battling goals.
- 2. Don't make the same mistake twice: If you notice something that your new lover does that ruined your relationship, talk to them and see if this is a problem that can be fixed. If not, it might be time to cut your losses. There's nothing worse than repeating a bad relationship.
- 3. Accept that not everyone is your perfect match: Too many people cling to a relationship even when it isn't working just for the sake of "seeing how things play out." If it isn't working now, chances are it won't work in the long run. Why waste your time?

How do you know when it's time to cut your losses on a new relationship? Share your stories in the comments below.

Celebrity Couple Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt Indulge in a Romantic Museum Date





Celebrity couple Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt made a stop by London's Lucian Freud exhibit this past Thursday without the kids, according to the latest celebrity news on <u>Pop Sugar</u>. However, they did recently have a family outing to see the matinee showing of *Billy Elliot the Musical*. Soon, the famous couple and their celebrity kids will be heading to the South of France together for the Cannes Film Festival. The celebs will have a chance to spend some family time together while walking the red carpet.

This celebrity couple spent some quality time together at the museum. What are some other

cultural date ideas?

Cupid's Advice:

Spending time with your loved one while getting a taste of culture at the same time isn't only for celebrity couples. Here are some great date ideas for a cultural experience:

1. Attend a festival: Look up the great cultural festivals happening in your area. You'll get the chance to meet a lot of people together and also experience a little bit of a new or different culture.

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2. Eat at an ethnic restaurant: Literally get a taste of another culture by going to a foreign restaurant and trying the different foods available. It's a great way to spice up your relationship and love!

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3. Take a trip: Instead of choosing somewhere close to home for your next date idea, take a trip somewhere unique and new. There's no better way to experience another culture than by actually visiting the country.

What are some culture date ideas? Share your ideas below.

Justin Bieber Brings a High

School Fan to Billboard Awards





Teen sensation Justin Beiber took a lucky date to the Billboard Music Awards on Sunday, and it was not long-time girlfriend Selena Gomez. One of Beiber' biggest fans, Cady Eimer, an 18-year-old from Virginia, had been asking Bieber to attend her senior prom through her website for years. The pop star could not make it to her prom, but he did one better. Beiber told *People*, "I couldn't make it [to prom] so I said I need you to fly to the Billboard Awards and you can be my date." This super fan was one less lonely girl, at least for the night.

What are some ways to make a blind date more comfortable?

Cupid's Advice:

Blind dates have been stereotyped most often as awkward setups from close friends. The fear of getting stood up, or worse, not clicking with your date, can overwhelm you. That said, blind dates can muster up exciting feelings of getting to know a complete stranger, and who doesn't love that? Cupid has some tips to get over your fears:

- 1. Acknowledge the awkwardness: You and your date will start to open up more if you come right out and have a laugh about the unique manner of blind dating. Once the ice is broken, you can breathe a sigh of relief and become comfortable enough to be yourself.
- 2. Go somewhere low-key: The fancier the place, the stiffer the conversation. For instance, a good pizza joint creates a warm and relaxed environment whereas a four star restaurant calls for poise and elegance, creating a lot of pressure.
- **3. Find a mutual interest**: Right off the bat, try to find something you have in common with your date. It can be anything from a love of action movies to traveling. Finding similarities creates comfort and sparks interest.

How do you think you could make a blind date more comfortable? Share your thoughts below.

'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 2: Soccer, Cookies,

and Muppets: Emily Maynard Keeps it Real





By Marni Kinrys, Ultimate Wing Girl

Has reality TV suddenly gone real? This season of the Bachelorette is actually shocking me because it's real (or as real as reality can get). They're in Emily's hometown. She's living in her own home with her daughter. Friends and family surround her while she seeks romance. Looks pretty real to me. We can only hope that the bachelors match up to that sentiment.

Every time the show wants to veer into la la land, it immediately gets brought back to reality, with Emily. Her life is real and the decisions she makes will not only reflect her,

but also her 6-year-old daughter. Things like this completely changes the game for her and the guys on the show.

As dynamic as a date can get, there is huge reality reminder right in front of every guy, at all times. Emily is a mother, and the winner will end his experience with a new wife and child. That should definitely weed out the competition hungry contestants vs. the sincere men who are there for the girl.

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I'm loving how assertive and hard hitting Emily has been right off that bat. For her it's essential. But is it reality?

I work with hundreds of thousands of guys all over the world. I tell them how to attract, date and get any woman they want. My first date advice to them is always "keep it light" but keep your eyes open and don't avoid red flags because she's pretty.

When the show ended I turned to my husband and said, do you think those questions would fly in the real world? His first response was "hell no". Then he thought for a second and said, there are some people that are just really comfortable putting it all out there because it's important to them. When you have a kid involved, that intensity is already increased for you. If you're with a guy who can't handle a little serious conversation on the first date, then he's probably not the guy for you. I think it's totally acceptable to get real on a first date as long as you don't let your emotions carry you away.

For Emily, dating is about finding a partner in life not a tennis partner for a match this weekend. In real life, you are free to bring up anything that you want on a first date, second, third, twentieth. But you want to make sure you are bringing it up the right way and for the right reason.

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In open conversation there is no room to get emotional i.e. defensive, angry, moody, aggressive. Open conversation, is meant to be handled exactly as it was shown on last night's episode. Over a candle light dinner in a beautiful mansion [Kidding. Open conversation, whether it's on the first date or the hundredth, is about expressing what you think and feel and then listening to what the other person has to say.

Do: Feel comfortable to talk about real things to pertain to you and your life. Talk openly and honestly with tact

Don't: Throw up your emotions and insecurities all over your date

Do: Listen to your date's views/opinions even if they don't reflect your own

Don't: Let your ego dictate your responses. No ego's allowed at the mature conversation table.

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So far, Emily is far exceeding my expectations. She is in this for love and family. I'm really hoping she finds her match in that garden of fine men and will be smart enough to pull out the weeds as quickly as possible.

Mark Zuckerberg Updates His Facebook Status to 'Married'





Facebook founder and billionaire Mark Zuckerberg has changed his relationship status to "married," according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Zuckerberg, 28, married Priscilla Chan, 27, Saturday at his home in Palo Alto, Calif. and was quick to post the announcement on Facebook. The "life event," which includes a photo of the couple holding hands and smiling, was posted early on Sunday. Zuckerberg and Chan met while attending Harvard University and have been dating ever since.

How can social media play a positive role in your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Social media can be a great way to keep friends and family updated on the pluses in your relationship. Here are a few ways to keep positive conversation going:

1. Avoid relationship overload: Relationship posts are great

when they're not clogging up everyone's newsfeeds. Keep your posts limited, and people will respond to the two of you in a more positive manner.

- 2. Keep your pictures appropriate: While your friends may love to see shots of your vacation in Hawaii, no one wants to go through an album filled with photos of the two of you kissing. Save PDA-style photos for wedding or engagement shoots.
- **3. Make announcements:** The people you love will appreciate knowing when new things happen to the two of you getting engaged, getting married, buying a home, and having kids are almost as exciting to them as they are to you. Share the joy of your relationship with others.

How do you portray your relationship on Facebook? Let us know below.

Mena Suvari Reaches Divorce Settlement with Simone Sestito





Longtime American Pie actress Mena Suvari and ex-hubby Simone Sestito ended their marriage on a cordial note after a year and a half of marriage, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Suvari's rep tells *TMZ*, "Neither party will pay the other any support," after Sestito formerly requested a little over \$17,000 dollars a month. The 33-year old star denied rumors that being in the spotlight played a role in her split with the concert promoter in Boston Common magazine. Suvari said, "It's taken years to get to know myself. I had never really taken time to cultivate who I was." This marks the actress' second divorce after her 2005 split with cinematographer Robert Brinkmann.

How do you compromise in the midst of a split?

Cupid's Advice:

Splits are always tough on both individuals in a relationship. Here are some important things to keep in mind in order to end on a good note:

1. Communication is key: Reach an understanding about the split and find common ground. This will help put things in perspective.

- 2. Stay positive and civil: Kindness goes a long way, especially during a split. Being genuine to one another is just as important after a relationship ends.
- **3. Keep it clean:** Avoid pursuing revenge or any sort of negative reactions from your soon-to-be ex. Nothing is worse than a messy divorce.

How have you handled a split in the past? Share your story with us.

Lauren Conrad and William Tell Go Public With Their Relationship





Although they've been dating since Valentine's Day, <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported that Lauren Conrad and William Tell were finally sighted together in public. Conrad, a fashion designer and the star of *The Hills*, and Tell, a law student at the University of South California and the former guitarist of the band Something Corporate, got lunch together last Saturday in Brentwood, Los Angeles. Though Conrad broke up with actor Kyle Howard a year ago, she's hopeful that this new relationship will last. According to a source, Tell is "either deeply in love or he's on to the next thing. He's the kind of guy you marry."

How do you know when to make a relationship public?

Cupid's Advice:

Everyone gets excited in a new relationship, but rushing to reveal it to the world can put you and your partner's happiness at risk. Consider these points before making your relationship public:

1. Make sure you're serious: Don't tell everyone about your relationship until you're sure you want to remain committed to

- it. Waiting is better than making an announcement of something that you're not sure is going to last.
- 2. Consider the steps you've taken: If you've already been on several dates and told some of your closest friends, telling the world about your relationship might not be as difficult as you think. When you're already spending most of your free time with your partner, going public is a natural progression of the relationship.
- **3. Ask your partner:** You shouldn't go public with your relationship if your <u>partner</u> isn't ready. Ask for his or her opinion before spreading the word to others. This will keep you from taking a step that could make your partner uncomfortable.

How do you know when it's time to go public with your relationship? Tell us below.

Melissa Gorga Tells Sisterin-Law to Stay Out of Her Marriage





On Sunday's episode of *The Real Housewives of New Jersey*, Teresa Giudice couldn't keep quiet any longer about her sister-in-law, Melissa Gorga's relationship. The tension boiled into an ugly confrontation. According to *UsMagazine.com*, the main issue was that Gorga said she'd leave her husband if a richer man came along. Giudice then accused her sister-in-law of ruining her relationship with her brother, Joe Gorga.

What do you do if family members start to come in between you and your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

As much as we love them, family members tend to get over involved in our relationships. Here are some ways to get them to back off a bit:

1. Don't give out too much information: Though lying to your family is never a good idea, if you don't want them to get too involved with your love life, only tell them what they need to know.

- 2. Tell them you can take care of yourself: When your family tries to get too involved in your business, it's okay to say, "Thanks, but no thanks."
- 3. Get them to see the situation from your point of view: Chances are the family members getting too close for comfort into your love life would want you to get into theirs. Politely remind them of that.

What are the negative consequences of getting too involved in someone else's relationship? Share your stories below.

Kim Kardashian & Kanye West Double Date with Rob Kardashian & Rita Ora





The Kardashian's shared their love together while enjoying a double date in London on Wednesday night. Kim Kardashian sat comfortably beside her recent beau, Kanye West, while Rob Kardashian snuggled next to his girlfriend, Rita Ora at Zuma. Rob and Ora have been dating since last December, and she and Kim seemed to get along perfectly during the dinner, an onlooker for <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reported. West and Kardashian were even showing some affection during the dinner. "When Kanye got up to leave he gave Kim a lovely tender kiss on the lips," the witness added. Kanye West's collaborator and long time friend Jay-Z was also spotted in Zuma.

How can double dates bring you closer together as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Double dating can test out how your relationship works around other people. If you double date with your family or best friends, then it's all even more important as to how well the date goes, because when someone dates you, they date your family, too. These are some reasons as to why double dates can bring you closer together as a couple:

- 1. You're being social, together: If you're dating someone, you most likely have a good time together, but for the most part without other people. If you can both have a great time with other people, then you're even more compatible.
- 2. Get to know the people in each others' lives: Double dating can be a great way for both of you to get to know each others' friends and family. It could be a time to open up, under less pressure.
- 3. Learn more about each other: You know how your partner is when you're alone, but double dating could allow you to see how they are around the people who know them best. You learn more about what they like and how they are.

What are ways you think a couple can benefit from double dating? Share your thoughts below.

Rosie Pope Welcomes a Baby Girl on Mother's Day





Pregnant in Heels star, Rosie Pope, announced welcoming her third child via Twitter on Mother's Day. Pope and husband, Daron Pope, both took part in tweeting updates during labor. The two are already parents to two boys, J.R., 3, and Wellington, 15 months. According to Us Magazine, Pope was surprised to add a baby girl to the family. "I'm so shocked! Honestly, I thought we were going to have boys," said Pope.

What are advantages to having your child on a holiday?

Cupid's Advice:

Any birth date is a celebration, but when your baby is born on a holiday, it's double the fun. Here are some advantages to having your child on a holiday:

- 1. Guaranteed theme: When your child is born on a holiday, there is no need to figure out what his/her birthday party theme should be. Halloween birthday? Here's to cake and candy corn.
- 2. No need for multiple parties: A birthday party and a holiday celebration will keep all the stress of a party

constricted to one day.

3. Money saver: If your child's birthday lands on a holiday that calls for <u>gift</u> giving, you're in luck. No need to buy double the presents, although you may want to splurge a little more than you were planning on for just one of the two occasions.

What are some advantages to having a baby on a holiday? Share your comments below.

Snooki Plans to Wear Leopard Print in the Delivery Room





Nicole 'Snooki' Polizzi may have changed her partying ways due to her pregnancy, but the mom-to-be will still remain true to her popular animal print heavy, self —described 'Guidette' sense of style, even while giving birth. "I want to wear, like, leopard shoes and a leopard gown- like the hospital gowns that they have," the Jersey Shore star told Celebuzz. "I think that would be cute." Apparently, there's no such thing as too much animal print in Polizzi's world. "If it's a boy, it's gonna be maybe something Disney or safari. If I have a girl, it's going to obviously be animal print- zebra, leopard and pink," the reality star said while speaking of her nursery.

Should you give up being fun and sexy when you're a mom?

Cupid's Advice:

If you were fun and sexy before having a baby, then you definitely shouldn't throw it out of the window now that you're a mom. Here are some reasons why you should remain true to your style:

- 1. It's who you are: Granted, when you go through a major life experience, such as having a child, you may have to rearrange some things in your life, but if you enjoyed putting on those two coats of mascara, walking in your 5-inch heels and wearing your hair in voluminous curls every day before giving birth; then you should still keep up with it.
- 2. You're a role model: Even if your little girl obsesses over Selena Gomez, you're still the main person whom she plays 'Monkey-see, monkey-do' with. If she sees that you can work your day job, make the absolute best macaroni and cheese, help with math homework and still take time out of your day to play 'tea party' with her and her stuffed animals, she'll appreciate who you are and will want to be the same way.
- 3. Confidence is key: Sure, you may have gained a little happy

weight during your pregnancy, but don't beat yourself up for it. Take yoga classes or head to the gym with your friends to get your body and confidence to where you want it. Your partner and friends would much rather be around the fun and confident person you were before having your child.

Do you think you should give being fun and sexy when you become a mom? Share your comments below.

Nick Cannon and Mariah Carey Bid \$2,000 on Shoes at a Charity Event





Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon were spotted at the Opera Gallery in New York City for an event that benefited the Urban Arts Partnership. According to <u>People</u>, the giving couple, who had just celebrated their twins' birthdays and renewed their vows, bid on a pair of Project Canvas shoes and a diver watch, designed by Audemars Piguet. It looks like the married couple are excited to share some of their happiness and money with others.

How can giving back as a couple help your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Finances can be a strain on any relationship, but giving to charities or your community as a couple can really help make it stronger. Here are some reasons to give back as a couple:

- 1. Togetherness: Making a decision about what charity to give to and how much can build the communication skills between you and your partner.
- 2. Turn-on: A man or woman who cares about a cause is super sexy! Earn bonus points with each other in the sexy

humanitarian area of your relationship.

3. Share the love: Couples who give a little get more in return. Sharing your love for a cause shows others and each other your dedication.

How has giving back helped your relationship? Share your comments below.

Tony Romo Says His Marriage Is Better Thanks to Parenthood





Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo and wife Candice Crawford didn't think their marriage could get any better until their baby boy, Hawkins, came into their lives. "If it's possible to bring you and your wife closer together, something like this really does," Romo told *People*. "It strengthens your family values and your family and the love you have, which is already really strong. It's been a great blessing from God to put us in this situation. We feel very honored." The star NFL quarterback has a very busy schedule, but he makes as much time for his beauty queen wife and newborn son as possible, and Romo says he feels very fortunate to have a wife that understands the demands of his athletic career and supports him all the way.

What are some ways that being a parent can bring you closer as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Marriage might have been the best day of your life, but having a child can easily become the new front runner. Cupid has some tips that can bring you and your partner closer:

- 1. The pregnancy: This nine month process is going to be a roller coaster ride of emotions along with preparation and planning, and they're all things that you should go through together. You'll see the best and worst of each other, and in the end, the prize is beyond anything you could have imagined.
- 2. The birth: Whether your partner has your hand in a death grip or you're watching the miracle of life right before your eyes, the birth will be a moment that you and your partner will cherish together for the rest of your lives, especially since the baby will be your little miracle and you become mom and dad.
- 3. Parenthood: Raising a child is no easy task, and parents before you will have all kinds of warnings and tips to make it

easier, but it's something that you and your partner will have to figure out for yourselves. It's a journey that you will adore taking with your partner and your child, because you will all grow and become the best you can be as a family.

In what ways did having kids strengthen your marriage? Share your comments below.

Katherine Heigl and Josh Kelley Step Out with Newly Adopted Daughter





Katherine Heigl and Josh Kelley have finally stepped out with their newly adopted daughter. The couple brought their baby girl to a friend's house in Beverly Hills on Saturday, reports <code>UsMagazine.com</code>. The couple announced the adoption on April 25th, though they did not release the name of their new daughter or other details. Heigl and Kelley are already parents to Naleigh, who they adopted from South Korea in 2009. "Josh and I started talking about [adoption] before we were even engaged," said Heigl in February. "My sister Meg is Korean, and my parents adopted her three years before I was born. I wanted my own family to resemble the one I came from, so I always knew I wanted to adopt from Korea."

How do you introduce your new child to your friends and family?

Cupid's Advice:

Introducing your new children to friends and family is always an exciting task. Here are a few ideas:

- 1. Small get-together: Parties are much too overwhelming for children, and especially babies, to handle. Have a small get-together instead so you can introduce your new child to friends and family in a calm, friendly setting.
- 2. Prepare your friends: With adopted children, it's important that your friends and family don't intimidate your new son or daughter. Talk to your friends before hand and tell them a bit about your child's situation.
- 3. Continued meetings: Most children will not remember a face that they've only seen once. If you want your friends and family to be a part of your child's life, make sure that they are frequent visitors. The sense of familiarity will be a comfort to your child.

How would you introduce a newly adopted child to your friends

Find Out Why Sofia Vergara and Nick Loeb Broke Up





Sofia Vergara and Nick Loeb seemed to have the perfect relationship. But, underneath their success and PDA, it turns out the couple were on completely different wavelengths. While Vergara's focus was on her entertainment career, his was more concentrated on politics. As an insider told <u>People</u>, "It was never a good match. She is fiery and free-spirited and wants to enjoy life to the fullest by traveling and going to parties and events. He's very concerned with his businesses, political

aspirations and ultimately settling down." Though the couple are said to have broken up and gotten back together many times, the *Modern Family* star also has a history of sticking by her man both after a serious car accident and during Loeb's run for the Florida U.S. Senate.

What are some signs that it's time to call it quits?

Cupid's Advice:

Being in a relationship can be a beautiful thing, but not if it's the wrong relationship. If it really isn't working out, there's no shame in ending your relationship and starting over. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Separate interests: While having a certain amount of independent interests is part of any healthy relationship, if you are on totally separate levels of stages of life, it may be time to call it quits.
- 2. Infidelity: If you can't be loyal or honest with one another, you're not in a good relationship.
- 3. Lack of interest: Once you've lost interest in your relationship to the point where you've stopped fighting because it's just not worth the energy, it's time to get out.

Is there ever a bad reason to break up with someone? Share your thoughts below.

Fergie and Josh Duhamel

Attend a Friend's Birthday Bash





Fergie and Josh Duhamel happily trekked over to West Hollywood's Chateau Marmont for a friend's birthday celebration Thursday night, according to <u>People</u>. An onlooker reported that the small group of friends were enveloped in "enthusiastic group conversation" over the course of the night. "Fergie wore a big smile for much of the night," said the source. "It was obvious she was having a really good time. Though the couple's PDA was at a minimum, it was clear the two were enjoying the company and the conversation." The group indulged in many different desserts throughout the evening and even sang "Happy Birthday" to the guest of honor together. At the end of the get together, Duhamel lovingly put his arm around his wife and escorted her to the valet so the pair

could head home.

What are some unique events to attend together as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Many couples can get stuck in a rut together if they don't try a few new things every once and a while. The easiest way to keep this from happening is to spend some time together doing unique things. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Music festival: Throughout the country, there are fun and affordable music festivals that you and you beau can indulge in any time of year. This allows you to take in some of your favorite bands together and maybe even discover some new tunes you both can enjoy.
- 2. Marathons: Sign up for a marathon together. This event is not only a one-day experience the two of you can share, but it also takes weeks of training. Who better to push and motivate you to do your best than the one you love?
- **3. Go fishing:** With summer on its way, spend the day on a charter fishing boat. The two of you can enjoy some fun in the sun together and maybe even catch a delicious dinner for two to prepare when you get home.

What are some unique events you and your man have attended as a couple? Share your experiences with a comment below.

Ben Affleck Calls Jennifer

Garner a 'World Class Mom'





Ben Affleck took to social media to wish his wife, Jennifer Garner, a happy Mother's Day. Affleck, 39, posted a video on his Facebook page advocating for women raising children in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, reports <u>People</u>. Affleck founded a nonprofit, the Eastern Congo Initiative, in 2010, and is almost as dedicated to the charity as he is to his family. "I want to say Happy Mother's Day to the moms in my life: my mom Chris and my amazing wife Jennifer, who is an incredible, spectacular, world-class mom," said Affleck in the video. "[Being a mother is] the hardest job that there is, every single day."

What are some ways to thank your partner for being a good parent?

Cupid's Advice:

Though Mother's Day has passed, there are still plenty of opportunities to show appreciation for your partner's good parenting. Here are a few ideas:

- 1. Spa day: Parenting can often be very stressful, so try rewarding your partner with a gift certificate for a day at the spa. Your partner will come home feeling relaxed and grateful.
- 2. Take turns: If your partner provides most of the childcare on a day-to-day basis, try switching it up. When possible, take the kids for a day, and let your partner enjoy their newly found free time.
- 3. Enlist the children's' help: Being a parent is often a reward in itself. Enlist your children to make a heartfelt card or art project for your partner. Your partner will appreciate the gift, and your kids will have fun making it.

How do you thank your partner for their parenting skills? Feel free to leave a comment below.

'The Bachelorette' Season 8, Episode 1: The Dos and Don'ts of First Impressions





By Marni Kinrys, The Ultimate Wing Girl

This season of The Bachelorette kicked off last night with a bang. And by bang, I mean the noise that would resonate off all the contestants' abs if you gave them a pat on their bellies. Is it just me, or are these guys extra ripped this year? Last night was all about First Impressions and, as we all know, they can be tough. Join that high pressure with tight competition, cameras and millions of viewers watching and judging. Not an easy stroll on your way to a televised romance.

Some of the guys pulled off their initial encounters with ease and style. Others simply fell flat on their face.

Here is my list of do's and don'ts from last night's episode of the Bachelorette:

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Do: Try to connect on points of commonality, like First Impression rose winner Chris did. But if you try too hard to find common grounds it will feel fake. At first, I was not

sure how genuine Doug was with his "point of connection." But all doubts dissipated when Emily read his 11-year-old son's letter. From the look on his face, you could tell it was sincere. The guy was beaming from ear to ear. Only a truly proud father would do that.

Do Not: Sweat profusely. There was one guy who, within seconds, was dripping all over poor Emily's beautiful dress. I feel like such a *biatch* for saying this, but I could not hear a word he was saying to her because I kept concentrating on his sweaty forehead.

Do: Find something eye catching and cute that fits your personality. Loved the grandmother bit but he couldn't hold it after his protective "mask" came off. Mr. Seemingly-Outgoing-and-Fun quickly became Mr. Nervous-and-Silent.

- -Skateboarder (Jeff) Check.
- -Prince Charming with the shoe (Tony) Check.
- -Guitar Pick (Michael) Check.
- -Foreign Language (Alejandro) Double Check.
- -Ostrich Egg (Travis) Could have worked, but flopped and then he was stuck with an egg all night. Half Check.
- -Bouncy Boom Box Guy (Stevie) NO.
- -Cheesy Poetry said with no sincerity (Jackson) EWWW.

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Do: Bring your chopper. I know it's a douchey move — if, in fact, you are a douche is another story. This is a game and the game is all about standing out and catching Emily's attention. What better way to do it than arriving via chopper?

Do Not: Be that guy who sits and stews about what other guys are doing right and wrong. Nothing screams "insecurity" more

than judgment of others. If you're judging others that crucially, I can't imagine what you are doing to yourself. So calm down, rooster man.

Do: Have impeccable body language and tonality. There were a couple of guys who knew exactly how to be open and own their space when making an entrance. Head high, calm walk, shoulders back and a smirk. Heavenly. And if you can add in an adorable little routine involving a note saying how nervous you are, to show your balance of masculinity and sensitivity, you are golden. (A.K.A. Ryan, who I love! His hair's a mess... but that can be worked on.)

All in all, I think Emily has a good batch of dudes to choose from. I know I'll be glued to my television every Monday night to find out what happens.

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Russell Brand Unfollows Katy Perry on Twitter





British comedian Russell Brand and singer Katy Perry will be officially divorced soon, but Brand is getting rid of any kind of connection between the two and unfollowed her on *Twitter*. The two had only been married for a little over a year before they decided to split, and it appears that the pop star isn't having any trouble moving on. Perry was caught making out with musician Robert Ackroyd at Coachella, and although their relationship is still new, an insider told <code>UsMagazine.com</code>, "They're having a fabulous time."

What are some advantages to cutting all ties after a split?

Cupid's Advice:

Once you split with your ex, it can be best to lose any connection you have to them to avoid drama or heartache. Cupid has some tips:

1. No jealousy: If you spend time stalking their latest

facebook pictures or checking their most recent friend activity, you'll begin to create scenarios in your head about how much better off they're doing, and it'll create unnecessary and false jealousy.

- 2. No constant reminders: They became your ex because you wanted them out of your life, so get them out. You don't need any reminders, whether it's pictures or Twitter popping up to give you a little memory of your time together.
- **3. Fresh start:** By cutting all ties you can get the fresh start that you need to move on to a better tomorrow. Leave the past in the past and start trekking down a more hopeful, exfree road!

What helped you move on from your ex after a break up? Share your comments below!

Chris Hemsworth and Wife Welcome a Baby Girl Named India





Chris Hemsworth and wife, Elsa Pataky welcomed a baby girl on Friday, after wedding in 2010, according to <u>People</u>. The couple were thrilled and announced that they named their daughter India, simply because they love the name and the country. Hemsworth, 28, has a lot going on right now, with the birth of his child and his acting career. He recently played the role as a superhero in *The Avengers*, and will also be featured in the upcoming *Snow White and the Huntsman*. But Pataky and Hemsworth are focused right now on their beautiful and healthy baby. In a recent interview for *Hola!* Magazine, Pataky claimed that she plans to speak to India only in Spanish as she grows up. "I already told my husband, 'Get ready fast with Spanish because, if not, you're not going to be able to understand what we say."

How do you compromise with your partner on baby names?

Cupid's Advice:

Some of the arguments you might face when you have a child is picking the baby's name. A couple can have very different opinions on what names they like, so you both need to

compromise. Here are some ways to do so:

- 1. Choose the name that has more sentimental meaning: If one of you chooses a name after someone in the family, and it has a dear meaning to them, it's probably best to let them win this one. It will probably mean a lot more to them, then if you were to pick a name you found in a baby book and really liked.
- 2. Utilize the middle name: If you both have completely different choices for the name of your baby, you don't need to choose just one. Make one of the choices the baby's middle name, and one of them the first name.
- **3. You plan to have more babies:** If you and your partner know you plan to have more babies, then ease up with choosing the name for one. There's always the next one.

How would you compromise in choosing the name of your baby? Share your comments below.

Newlyweds Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford Have a Charity Date Night





Newlyweds Carey Mulligan and Marcus Mumford came out together in support of a charitable cause at the ARK Gala Dinner at London's Kensington Palace. They proudly supported this event arm-in-arm raising money for children's charity partnerships. The couple, who have previously kept their relationship private, are also involved in other charitable endeavors. According to *People*, Mulligan is selling the Prada dress she wore to the Met Gala on eBay and donating the proceeds to Oxfam.

What are some ways to give back as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Giving back to your community or helping those in need can not only make you feel better about yourself, it can make you feel better about your relationship. Here are some ways you and your partner can make a difference as a team:

1. Make a joint donation: Making a donation together to a cause you are both passionate about can be a very satisfying endeavor.

- 2. Spend the day volunteering: Plan a day in which the both of you volunteer at a soup kitchen or animal shelter. It'll warm your heart seeing your partner working next to you.
- 3. Support your friends' causes: When a friend asks for your charitable support, get your partner involved, too.

Has involvement in charity brought you and your partner closer? Share your thoughts below.

U.S. Women's Soccer Star Hope Solo Chats About Her Training and Love Life





By <u>Whitney Baker</u>

Despite her hectic schedule as she prepares for the 2012 Summer Olympic games, Hope Solo, goalkeeper for the United State's Women's National Soccer team, strives to live a balanced life — both on the field and off the field. When she's not training, she loves being social and enjoying life. As for romance? She is looking for a confident and honest partner, someone who wants the best in everything that they do.

Solo's also partnering with Unilever to promote their Simple Skincare line. As someone with sensitive skin, she understands the importance of a skincare line that she can trust as she travels from city to city.

For a chance to win a trip to Los Angeles and meet Solo, visit the Escape with Hope Facebook page!

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Eva Longoria Didn't Question Her Worth When Tony Parker Cheated





Eva Longoria is a tough woman on the inside, beyond her beautiful looks. The actress is getting back up on her feet after divorcing her cheating husband, Tony Parker. On Thursday, Longoria opened up on Lifetime's *The Conversation With Amanda de Cadenet*, saying that she refuses to blame herself for what happened. She claims to have had a conversation with Parker about why he did what he did, but in a way most women wouldn't have done. "I really wanted to know, and if you genuinely want to get something out of somebody,

you have to not judge," she said. Since her divorce, the actress has been able to accept the fact that what happened was out of her control, and to start having fun again. With her positive attitude, Longoria seems to be on the right track to happiness.

How do you keep from blaming yourself when your partner cheats?

Cupid's Advice:

Even if something bad has been done to you by someone you love, you can't help but thinking it's something that you did wrong. But guilt and blame will never allow you to get over the situation, and you have to accept what happened and move on for your own sake. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Have a conversation with them: You can try what Eva Longoria did, and ask your partner to honestly explain why they cheated on you. It will get you some answers to questions that have been haunting you.
- 2. Look at it from their point of view: If it were the other way around, think about why you would have cheated. It's most likely out of temptation. People usually act on impulse and give in to things, so it probably wasn't because you did something wrong.
- 3. Remember that cheating is cheating, no excuses: Regardless of your partner's motives for cheating, it's still wrong. It's a lack of respect to you and the relationship. There shouldn't be any excuses for what they did, which means you especially shouldn't blame yourself.

What are some other reasons as to why you shouldn't blame yourself for being cheated on. Share your comments below.