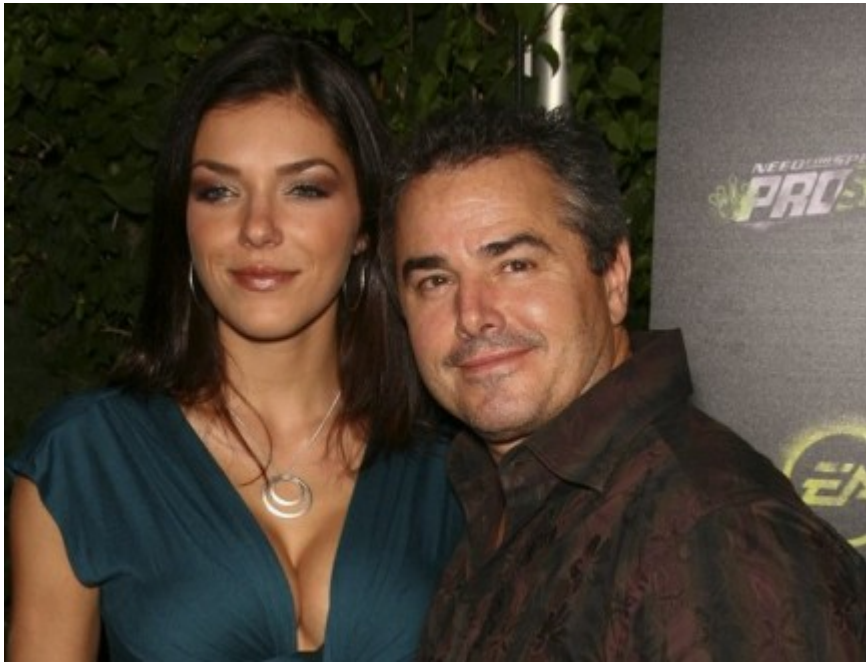


Adrianne Curry and Christopher Knight Split



It looks as if Father Brady is back on the market, ladies! Former *Brady Bunch* star Christopher Knight and former *America's Next Top Model* contestant Adrianne Curry have decided to call it quits, according to UsMagazine.com. "After starting a relationship with what seemed to be irreconcilable differences, the couple has reached a period where those differences are no longer appreciated," said Phil Viardo, the couples' manager. The pair met when they were housemates on the VH1 series *The Surreal Life* and then married in 2006. Earlier this month, Curry admitted that she wasn't satisfied with her home life and turned to Twitter for attention. Another Hollywood romance is now a part of history!

When you grow apart, what are some steps you can take to reconnect?

Cupid's Advice:

Like Adrienne Curry and Christopher Knights, differences can grow to be a bigger and bigger issue as your relationship lasts longer and longer. Cupid has some ideas on how to reconnect:

1. Be open: The best thing you can do in a relationship is communicate. Stay open and accepting about your differences. If you start to feel annoyed by something your partner is doing, make sure to let him or her know instead of blowing up when it gets really bad.

2. Go back to the beginning: One of the best ways to reconnect in a relationship is to take a look at the happy times you've had in the past. Open up the photo albums, and make reservations at the place you had your first date. Thinking about good memories may remind you why you started dating your partner in the first place.

3. Carve out time: Make sure you're spending quality time together on a weekly basis. Lives get busy and it's easy to forget to schedule in time alone with your partner, but it's an important part of your relationship. Simply spending more time together is a good way to reconnect.

How did you reconnect with your partner in order to avoid divorce? Share your comments below.

Kourtney Kardashian Says Kim Is Herself Around Kris

Humphries



It looks like Kim Kardashian, who recently got engaged to New Jersey Nets star Kris Humphries, has her sister Kourtney's blessing. Kourtney Kardashian told [People](#) that Kim and Kris are perfect together. "He fits in [with the family] already. I think they're just themselves, and I think that's the most important thing," said Kardashian. "Kim is totally herself in front of him. Everything is easy, comfortable, no stress."

How can you keep your relationship stress-free?

Cupid's Advice:

When it's easy to be yourself around your partner, you know the relationship is right. Cupid has some tips on how to make sure it stays effortless:

1. No drama: If your mate makes a big deal out of the smallest issues, talk to him or her about it. Sure, relationships take

hard work, but you don't need unnecessary drama.

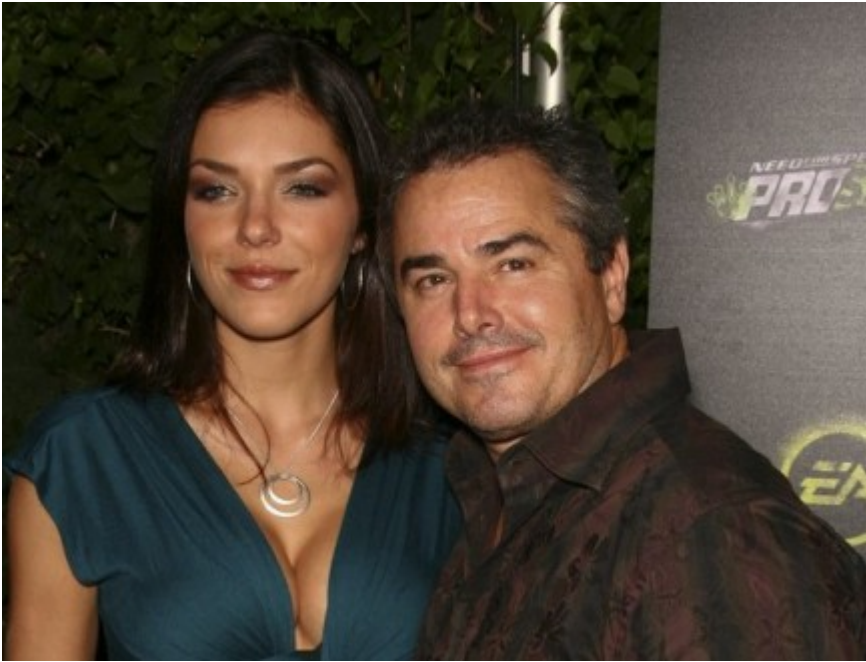
2. Have fun: When things get heavy, go out and forget about it for awhile. If you and your significant other can have fun together no matter what, the stress will melt away.

3. Let your guard down: It may be difficult, but if you want to be able to be yourself around your sweetie, you need to stop acting so perfect. By showing you have flaws, you'll grow closer and more comfortable with each other.

What do you do to keep your relationship uncomplicated? Share your comments below.

Exclusive Video: Flavor Flav Says 'Keep it 100' to Make Your Relationship Work





By Royal Young

For the past 30 years, Flavor Flav has been a pioneer in hip hop, politics and romance-based reality television. As one of the first and greatest hype men, Flav was an integral part of Public Enemy, who went on to be named best hip hop group and best hip hop album of all time by Rolling Stone. His hit show *Flavor of Love* brought VH1 7.5 million viewers per episode making him the most popular reality star in the genre's history – and also a surprising source of romantic advice and love drama.

So what had women fighting over him on *Flavor of Love*? Was it his hilarious, edgy jokes and sexed-up persona or the more mature, inspirational and fatherly side he revealed once the flashbulbs faded? We sat down with the man himself, Flavor Flav to find out:

In his new memoir, *Flavor Flav: The Icon* (Farrah Gray Publishing), the rapper talks about his early days growing up in Freeport, Long Island, where he describes himself as a “class clown.” He makes some controversial confessions as well, alleging he was in touch with his sexuality from a very early age, having his first sexual experience at 6-years-old,

and opening up about his long time drug addiction.

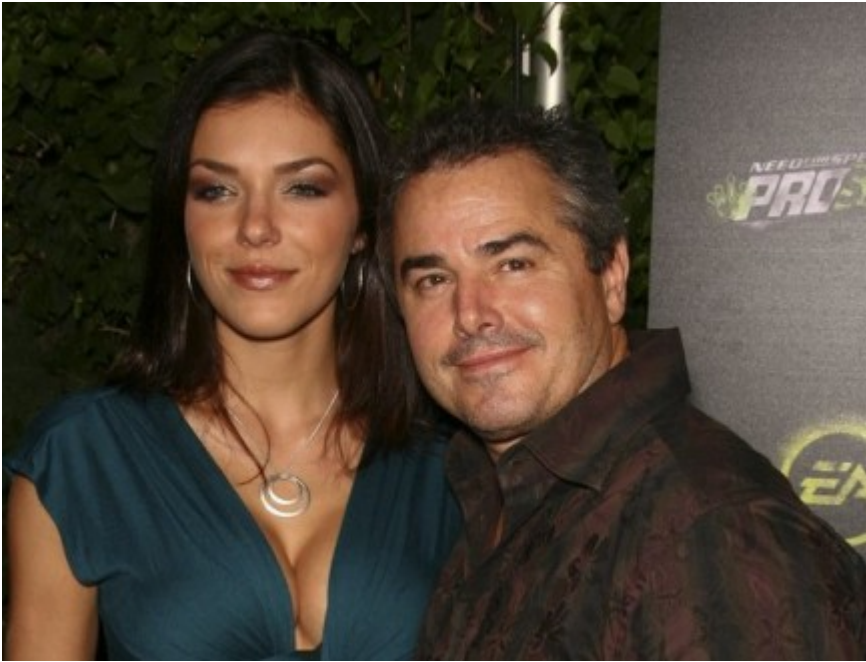
Cupid's Pulse caught up with Flav at Hue-Man Bookstore in Harlem for a signing and exclusive interview where we discovered something even more shocking: a well spoken, inspirational and humble man who plays 15 different instruments and loves nothing more than spending time with his seven children, who are between the ages of 26 and 3.

Flav encouraged audience members to change their lives, saying, "We all have the same abilities. It's about reaching out and grabbing your dream." Surprisingly, his dating advice was conservative: "It won't work out unless you give your all. You have to commit to your partner 100 percent."

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Maria Shriver Spends Memorial Day With Kids In Malibu





If she's upset, she sure isn't showing it! Maria Shriver looked happier than ever when she visited Tra Di Noi restaurant with her kids Katherine, Christina and Christopher; a few friends; and her bodyguard on Sunday night. [RadarOnline](#) reported that Shriver hired a high-profile divorce attorney, Laura Wasser, to represent her against ex-spouse Arnold Schwarzenegger. Schwarzenegger admitted to fathering a child by his and Shriver's former housewife.

What are some life changes you can make after a divorce?

Cupid's Pulse:

Going through a divorce is tough, but moving on with your life afterward is tougher. Cupid offers suggestions on some life changes you can make after a divorce:

- 1. Move forward slowly:** It takes time getting used to being single. Letting others know how you feel will help you move on with your life slowly and steadily.
- 2. Meet others:** It might take some time, but go out of your comfort zone and mingle with others when you're ready. You'll meet new friends and possibly the person who is truly right for you.

3. Embrace new opportunities: With all the time you'll have on your hands, get involved in extra-curricular activities. You'll be surprised when you discover new hobbies and talents.

What did you do after your divorce? Share your experiences below.

Are Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie Finally Considering Marriage?



Don't get your hopes up, team Jennifer fans. Rumor has it that Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie may wed in the near future. "The kids ask about marriage. It's meaning more and more to them," Pitt

told [People](#). “So it’s something we’ve got to look at.”

Originally the plan was to wait until everyone can legally marry, but the children have changed the duo’s hearts. Pitt also spoke of the parenting ways he and Jolie use to bring up their children, as well as how they get their alone time.

“Angie and I do everything we can to carve out some semblance of normalcy for them, to re-create the kinds of moments that were special for us.”

How do things change once you tie the knot?

Cupid’s Advice:

Marriage is a big step, and you both need to be serious about it. Cupid knows what’s coming, so here’s what to prepare yourself for before you tie the knot:

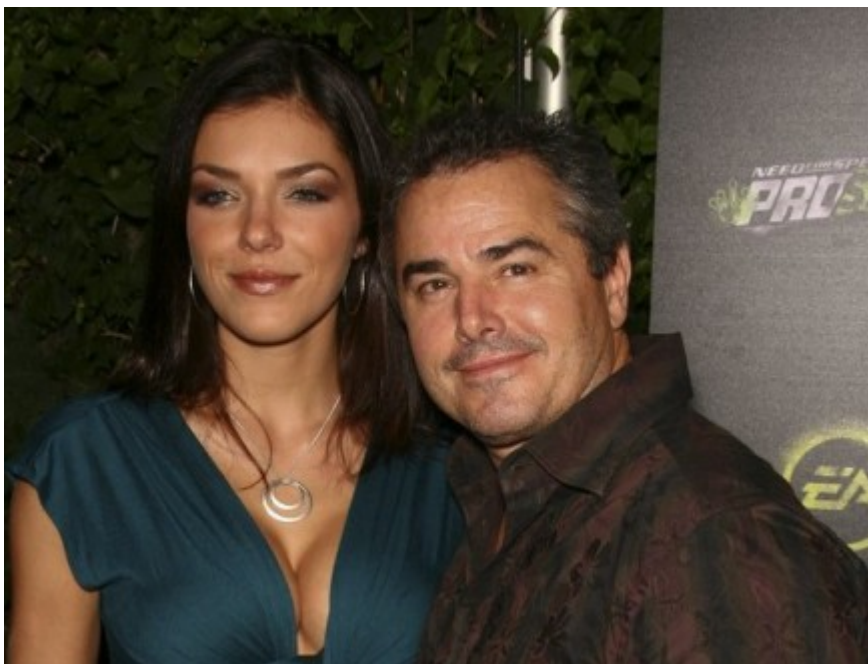
1. Less effort: Some look at marriage as the grand prize. If this is you, you may feel you worked hard enough to get here, so now it’s time to relax. Not putting in as much time and effort to keep the relationship strong can lessen the meaning and power it once had.

2. Interest level: Forever is a long time. It’s also enough time for one to get bored of the same old thing. Sometimes you’re going to need to give your partner more space or spend extra time together to keep the relationship fresh.

3. Sharing and the future. There are so many important factors couples must consider before tying the knot. Prenups, living situations, and of course, children, are primary. Remember that, from now on, this person is a part of you. Make decisions together.

How did marriage change your relationship? Share below!

Nick Lachey and Vanessa Minnillo Have Wedding Shower



Nick Lachey and Vanessa Minnillo celebrated their upcoming nuptials this past Sunday at the London Hotel in West Hollywood with an extravagant and unforgettable wedding shower, according to [People](#). The couple and their friends and family seemed excited about their wedding as they took in the amazing views and delicious food from chef Gordon Ramsay's kitchen within the hotel. The party had both a laid back and sophisticated atmosphere where all the guests were able to enjoy themselves and have a great time.

What are some reasons to have a wedding shower before your nuptials?

Cupid's Advice:

Nick Lachey and Vanessa Minnillo enjoyed themselves at their wedding shower, and Cupid has a few reasons why having a wedding shower before *your* nuptials is a good idea as well:

1. It helps calm your nerves: What better way to calm your wedding jitters than to have a fun party with family and friends where you can relax and enjoy each others' company? Having a wedding shower is a great way to celebrate each other without worrying about planning-related stress.

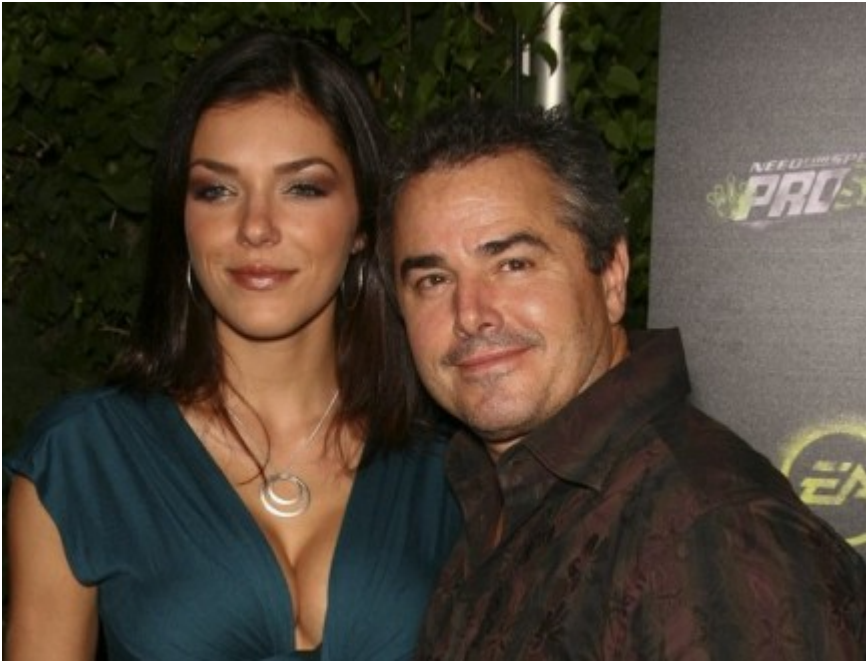
2. It gets you even more excited: Having a wedding shower before your nuptials helps get you and your significant other even more excited for the big day by having a pre-celebration with family and friends.

3. It allows everyone to get to know each other: Having a wedding shower before your nuptials helps your family and friends get to know each other better before the wedding so at the reception they'll have an even better time. This is the time where you can introduce family and friends from both sides and make sure everyone gets along.

Did you have a wedding shower before your nuptials? Share your experience below.

Tony Romo and Candice Crawford Tie the Knot





Pro football player and infamous celebrity dater Tony Romo is officially off the market, according to [E! Online](#). Romo and Candice Crawford, his girlfriend of a year and a half, wed in Dallas last weekend. The Dallas Cowboy proposed to Crawford on December 16th, her 24th birthday. Candice Crawford is a former beauty queen and sports reporter and is also the younger sister of *Gossip Girl*'s Chace Crawford. Romo has a history of dating beautiful blondes, as he can count Carrie Underwood and Jessica Simpson among his exes.

How do you choose a date to propose?

Cupid's Advice:

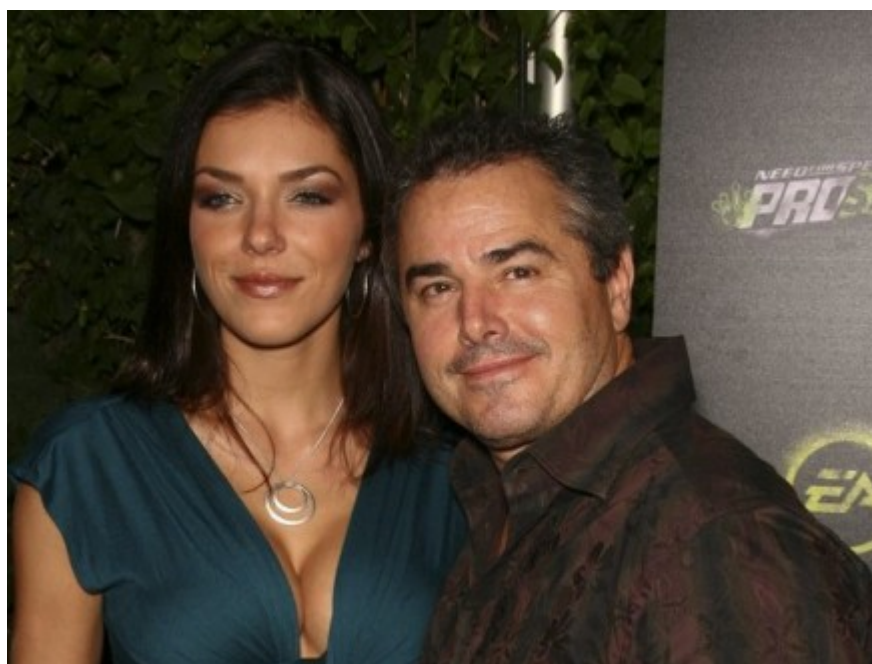
To make your proposal extra-special, choose a date that means something to you. Cupid has some suggestions on when to pop the question:

- 1. Anniversary:** Try proposing on the day you met your sweetheart if you want to recognize how far you've come and remind each other of what it felt like when you first started dating.
- 2. Birthday:** Give your partner a gift they'll never forget by popping the question on his or her birthday.

3. Holidays: Make the holidays extra special by proposing on Christmas, the 4th of July or whichever holiday means something to your sweetie. Plus, your mate will already be in the holiday spirit and will be more likely to say 'yes'!

What is the best date to propose to your significant other?
Share your comments below.

'Vampire Diaries' Stars Ian Somerhalder and Nina Dobrev Pack on PDA



Two vampires were seen in Paris walking in daylight Tuesday. According to UsMagazine.com, stars of the CW show *Vampire Diaries* Ian

Somerhalder and Nina Dobrev held hands while walking around the streets of the city of love. Despite their vacation, the two have yet to come out and admit they're dating. "We expected the rumors. Like, if I wasn't dating Ian, I'd be dating Paul [Wesley]," Dobrev said in April's *Teen Vogue*. "A lot of people who work together end up dating, so it wouldn't be unusual, but I've never dated anyone I've worked with."

How do you make dating a coworker less risky?

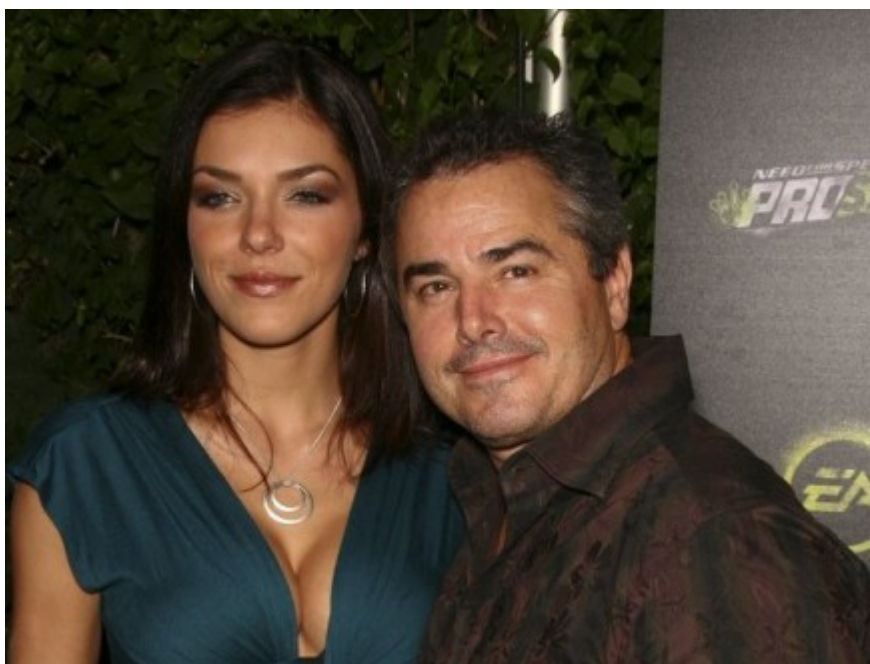
Cupid's Advice:

Dating someone you work with is tricky to handle. Think of Jim and Pam from *The Office*, as they're a great example of the ideal way to handle yourself in the workplace with your partner. Cupid has a few things to keep in mind:

- 1. On the same level:** Things can get messy if one of you is a superior or a manager. Not only does it give a bad image to others, but if you break up, it might be the ugliest one you've ever experienced.
- 2. Separation helps:** Your interoffice relationship goes a lot smoother if you're in different departments. You'll be away from each other for most of the day, and it'll give you a little more to talk about when discussing work.
- 3. Say 'No' to PDA at work:** It makes coworkers feel uncomfortable and is an HR seminar waiting to happen. Keep it at casual flirting and no real physical contact while on the clock.

Ever dated a coworker? Tell Cupid about it below.

'The Bachelorette' Season 7, Episode 2: Ashley Gambles Her Heart in Vegas



By Jennifer

Harrington

It's been a week since we've met Ashley's bachelors and rumors continue to swirl about Bentley's intentions. Here's a rundown of last night's episode in Sin City. Let's see how the guys made out:

One of our early favorites, William, was given the first one-on-one date. If you tuned in half-way through the show, you would have thought you were watching a wedding reception.

From the selection of rings and Ashley's white dress to nearly-delivered vows, it was nothing short of a love fest as these two voiced their strong feelings for each other.

William's declaration that "this is the kind of date where you know you will marry the person" had me wondering if they were going to hail a cab and head to the closest wedding chapel. After a fabulous dinner against the backdrop of the Bellagio fountains, William was (not surprisingly) given a rose.

Following William's self-declared "best date ever," Ashley invited 12 contestants to the Monte Carlo hotel for a group date that would test the men's "ability to move." They were split into two teams of six, where the winning team would perform in the "Jabbawockeez" show later that night, while the losing team would catch the next flight back to Los Angeles. We were happy to say that the winning dancers included two more of our early favorites, Blake and West.

To add some drama to the night...Ashley awarded Bentley the group rose! Yes, the guy who she was initially warned against before the season began is rumored to be using the show to promote himself. Last night, this season's bad-boy told the camera that the "game is over before we hit the start button," confidently stating that he has Ashley wrapped around his finger. Oh, Ashley – if you could only see what we see. Oh, wait! The show is taped so you *CAN* see what we see. We just hope you saw it all before it came down to the last man standing! And when you look back at the preview of this episode, everything we saw proved true.

The last date of the week was a first for the *Bachelor* franchise: a coin toss to determine who would get the one-on-one date. The men in competition were construction manager JP and chef Mickey. Flipping a coin became a theme throughout the night, as dozens of tosses took place to determine how the evening would go. Though Mickey wouldn't be our top choice given Ashley's independent nature, this self-proclaimed momma's boy got a rose thanks to the lucky coin toss.

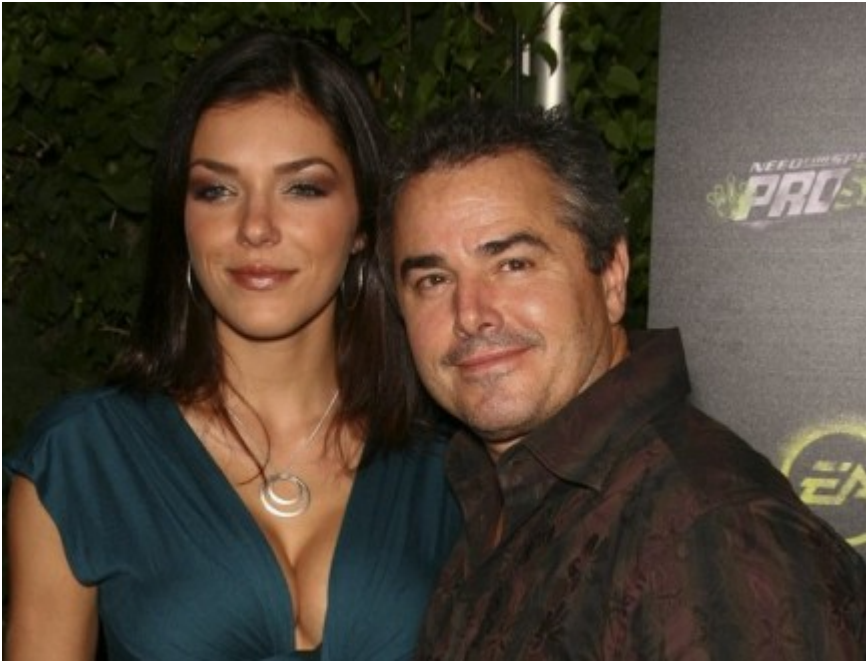
The stakes were high at the end of the Vegas trip as Ashley

handed out the remaining roses at the ceremony while boldly stating, "I think my husband is standing in the room." The rose ceremony, minus the drama surrounding masked-man Jeff (who at one point considered revealing his face) was fairly routine, as Ashley handed out roses to West, Constantine, Ryan P. (winner of this season's first impression rose), Ben C., Nick, Ames, Lucas, Jeff, JP, Chris, Ben F. and Blake (the dentist who doesn't seem to have much of a connection with Ashley and thinks their personalities may be too similar for a romantic spark).

So this concludes an "amazing week of dates," in the words of Brad Womack's snubbed lady! We'll be back on Friday to preview the next episode of *The Bachelorette*. Until then, what do you think of Ashley's decision to give a rose to Jeff? We want to know...do you think the mask is corny or clever?

Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries Are Engaged





Kris Humphries proposed to Kim Kardashian in her Beverly Hills home on May 18th. After six months of dating, the New Jersey Nets forward waited in Kim Kardashian's bedroom and took her by surprise when she came home to find him on one knee with the words "Will You Marry Me?" written in rose petals. She was completely surprised. "I was in such shock. I never thought it would happen at home, and I never thought now." According to [People](#), Kris Humphries popped the question with a classically stunning custom-designed, 20.5-carat Lorraine Schwartz diamond sparkler because he wanted the ring to be big. Congratulations to the happy couple!

What are the benefits of proposing at home?

Cupid's Advice:

Home is personal and comfortable. The saying, "home is where the heart is" makes proposing there the perfect location:

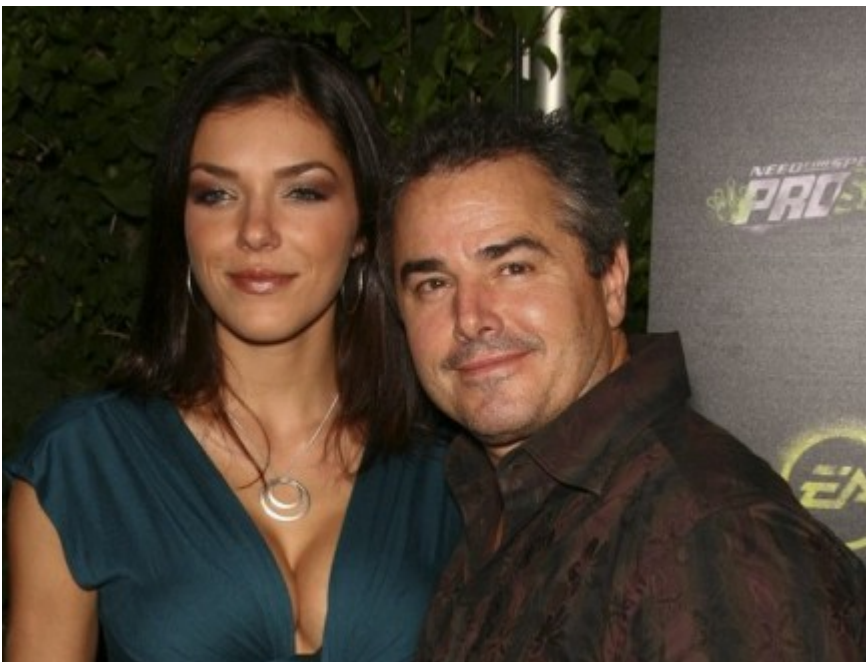
- 1. Casual dress:** Proposing in a casual setting can be more comfortable for both of you. Plus, you don't have to worry about getting dressed up.
- 2. Privacy:** You can have more of a private moment as a couple

on this special day. There's no need to worry about people in public looking on.

3. Going out to celebrate: If you propose at home, you can go out afterward to celebrate in style.

What's your take on proposing to your partner at home? Share your comment below.

Ex-Husband of Arnold Schwarzenegger's Mistress Speaks Out



Betrayal has definitely been a popular topic in the media the past couple of weeks, and now another person affected by the Arnold

Schwarzenegger affair has decided to speak out. Rogelio Baena, ex-husband of Arnold Schwarzenegger's mistress, Mildred Baena, had something to say. Baena was just as shocked about the affair as Maria Shriver was, and to make things worse, up until a week ago Rogelio assumed that Mildred's son was in fact his biological son, according to [People](#). Rogelio decided to speak out about the betrayal he faced on *Entertainment Tonight*, and how he had considered Arnold Schwarzenegger, who employed his wife Mildred or 'Patty' for 20 years, a 'hero'. Looks like Rogelio no longer feels the same way.

If you're betrayed by your partner, how do you move on?

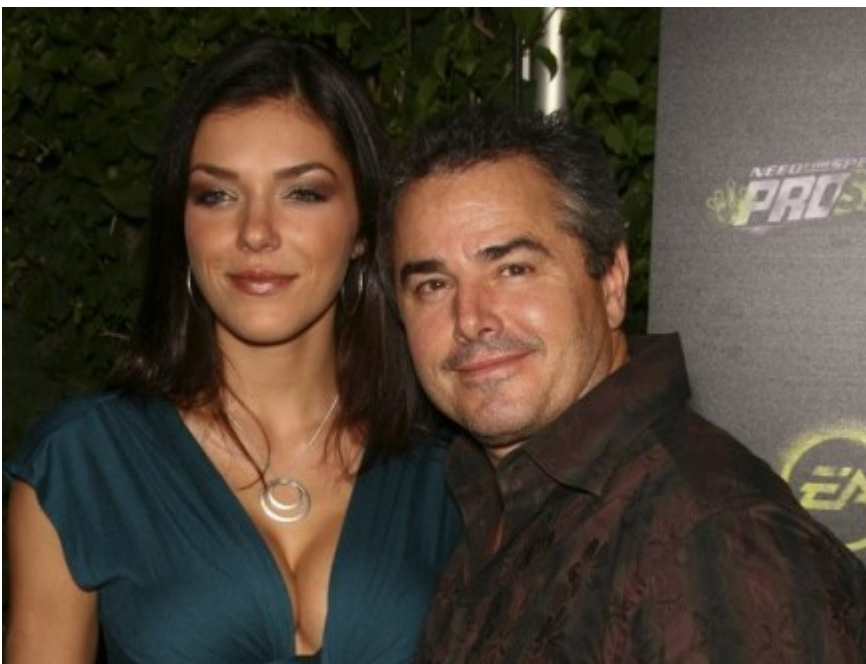
Cupid's Advice:

Being betrayed by your partner isn't an easy situation to deal with, but here are some tips on how to move on after facing it:

- 1. Realize that the situation doesn't define you:** It's important to realize that after any situation that involves betrayal that you are still the same person you always were, and that in fact you are able to move on with your head held high.
- 2. Keep yourself busy:** Start moving on and rebuilding your life by enjoying hobbies that will hopefully distract you from all of the bad memories of the past.
- 3. Find yourself:** It may sound a little corny, but after going through a tough situation, one of the best things to do is to focus on yourself. Try new things, and try to discover a little more about yourself.

Have you ever faced betrayal from your partner? Tell us how you were able to move on below.

Is Jennifer Aniston Dating Justin Theroux?



Hollywood's favorite single girl has got the rumor mill churning yet again, this time with actor Justin Theroux, 39. [RadarOnline](#) reports that Jennifer Aniston, 42, spent the entire weekend together with the actor. However, the mother of Theroux's longtime girlfriend is speaking out to put an end to the speculation. Marilyn Bivens, mother of Heidi Bivens, said, "It's not true at all. That's from Justin's own mouth. He said he was with her at a dinner party with a lot of other people. It's been just a big, big misunderstanding – and you can take that as the truth."

How do you keep gossip about your relationship status to a minimum?

Cupid's Advice:

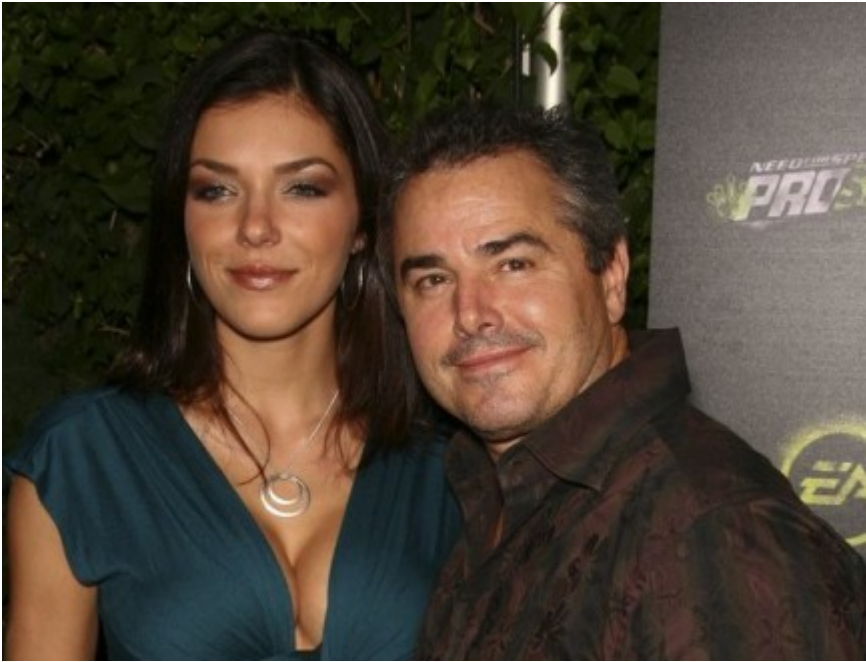
There's one thing that everyone loves to gossip about: relationships. Cupid has some ideas on how to keep the whispers about your dating life under control:

- 1. Keep it under wraps:** If you don't want people talking about your relationship, keep it secret... for now. Once you're ready for people to know, introduce your partner to friends and family.
- 2. Be honest:** If you are upfront about your relationship status, you can stop the gossip before it starts.
- 3. Don't pay attention:** By refusing to dignify rumors with an answer, you are showing gossipmongers that you don't care what they think.

What do you do to quell rumors about your relationship? Share your comments below.

'Bachelor' Alum Emily Maynard Is Spotted Without Engagement Ring





The rocky relationship between *The Bachelor*'s Brad Womack and Emily Maynard may have finally reached an impasse. [People](#) reports that last weekend, Maynard, 25, was spotted without the engagement ring Womack, 38, presented to her in the show's finale. The two released a statement in March, saying: "It has been a bumpy couple of months for us, and our priority right now is to focus on our relationship."

How do you know what engagement ring to choose for your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

If you want her to say "yes," start out by getting her the right ring! Cupid has some tips on how to know what engagement ring is right for your partner:

- 1. Ask for help:** Poll her friends and family (swearing them to secrecy, of course) about what kind of ring she'd want. They can at least steer you in the right direction.
- 2. Think about her taste:** What kind of jewelry does she like to wear? Pay attention to whether she likes gold or silver and over-the-top or understated pieces.

3. Go with your gut: Buy the ring that feels right, the one you can see yourself proposing with and see her wearing for the rest of her life.

What's your idea of the perfect engagement ring? Share your comments below.

'Bachelorette' Season 7 Sneak Peek: There's a Villian in Vegas



By Jennifer

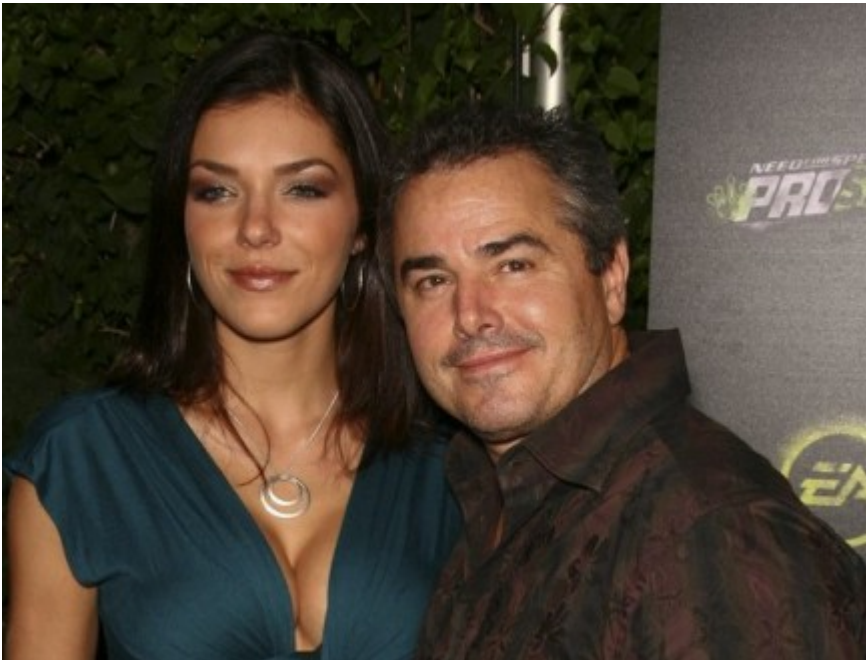
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On Monday we were treated to the season premiere of *The Bachelorette*, which introduced us to Ashley Hebert's guys.

While she's got a great group of men, there will certainly be drama this season – and even a villain. The rumors about Bentley being on the show for the wrong reasons are confirmed in this short clip, where he says Ashley is not his type and doesn't meet the checklist of criteria of what he's looking for in a wife. However, during his one-on-one time with Ashley, Bentley pretends to display some insecurity (a trait that destroyed Ashley's relationship with Brad), as Bentley thanks her for giving him the final rose in the first ceremony. Even at this very early point in their relationship, our bubbly bachelorette appears desperate to keep Bentley around and alleviate his supposed self-doubt by saying, "If you feel something for me, please stay because I feel something for you." It's clear that despite all of the warnings Ashley's heard about this businessman before even meeting him, she's completely smitten!

Make sure to tune in to **ABC on Monday, May 30 at 8PM/7PM Central** to see Ashley's dates with the remaining 18 bachelors in Vegas – including her date with Bentley! In the meantime, let us know which bachelor you think may find romance with Ashley in Sin City. Don't forget to visit us next week for our Tuesday morning recap!

Pippa Middleton and Beau Spend Weekend at Family Home



Pippa Middleton and her boyfriend of one year, Alex Loudon, left London on Friday to spend the weekend at her parent's home in the countryside. An insider told UsMagazine.com that Middleton spent her Friday afternoon in a short business meeting. Loudon picked her up in the early evening and they headed for her parent's house. "Soon it will be Pippa's time to shine," a source said.

When is it time to introduce your partner to your parents?

Cupid's Advice:

Not only is finding a significant other difficult, but introducing him or her to your parents is also a feat. If you aren't sure when it's best to have your partner meet your parents, Cupid has some suggestions:

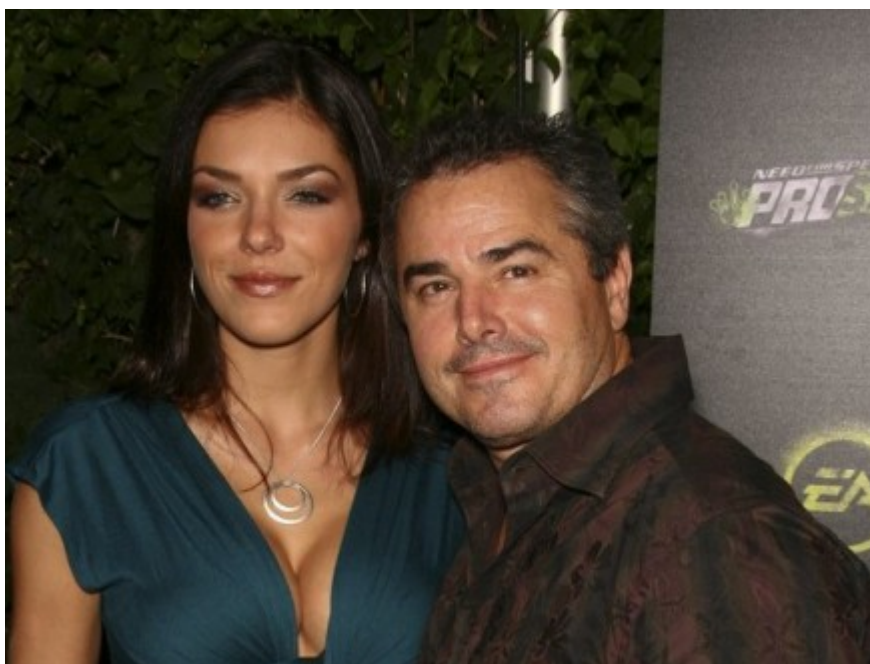
1. Serious relationship: Before introducing your partner to your parents, make sure you're in a serious relationship. There's no use in going through the introduction stress if the relationship isn't going anywhere.

2. When they ask: If you parents specifically ask to meet your current partner and ask you both to dinner, don't refuse. If you say "no," they'll start to get suspicious and things will only be worse when you do decide to have them meet.

3. Parent's reaction: Figure out how your parents would react. Some parents are more accepting than others, so make sure to gage their reaction before you subject your partner to their scrutiny.

How did your parents react when you introduced them to your partner? Share your experience below.

Fergie and Josh Duhamel Are Ready to Start a Family



Black Eyed Peas

singer Fergie has babies on the mind, reports [People](#). When asked about starting a family with her husband Josh Duhamel, the singer replied, " Oh yeah, of course. Not right this second. [I'm] not pregnant, for the record. But, yeah." Fergie, who is taking a break from the Black Eyed Peas as her bandmates work on solo projects, is glad to be "getting more of that personal time. Josh and I have gotten to spend a lot more time together this year than other years, which is great."

How do you know it's time to start building a family with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Starting a family is one of the biggest changes your life will ever face. Here are a few ways to determine if you're ready:

1. Your marriage is in a good place: Make sure that you and your husband are absolutely comfortable together and that your marriage is happy and stable before bringing a baby into the world.

2. Financial stability: Children are expensive. Before having a child, make sure your bank accounts are able to handle the burden. Being financially stable will save you from much frustration down the line.

3. Your feelings: Analyze your own feelings on the subject. If you don't feel 100 percent ready to start a family, then don't. You need to be completely sure of your decision before you commit to such a life-changing experience.

When did you know you were ready to start a family? Feel free to comment below.

Russell Brand Is Deported From Japan While Visiting Katy Perry



Katy Perry's hectic Japan touring schedule was interrupted on Saturday, reports [E! Online](#). The *Teenage Dream* singer was distraught when news came that her newlywed husband Russell Brand had been deported. Perry took to her Twitter account to share the news. " So...my husband just got deported from Japan. I am so. sad," tweeted Perry. "I brought him all this way to show him my favorite place." Brand was deported due to criminal incidents that occurred over 10 years ago. Brand, however, did not seem too upset. The comedian-turned-actor also took to his Twitter, exclaiming, "Stockholm syndrome kicking in. Just asked my guard out for (vegetarian) sushi. He giggled."

What do you do if your partner has a prior criminal background?

Cupid's Advice:

Not everybody has a squeaky clean past. Here are a few things you should be aware of when dating a reformed criminal:

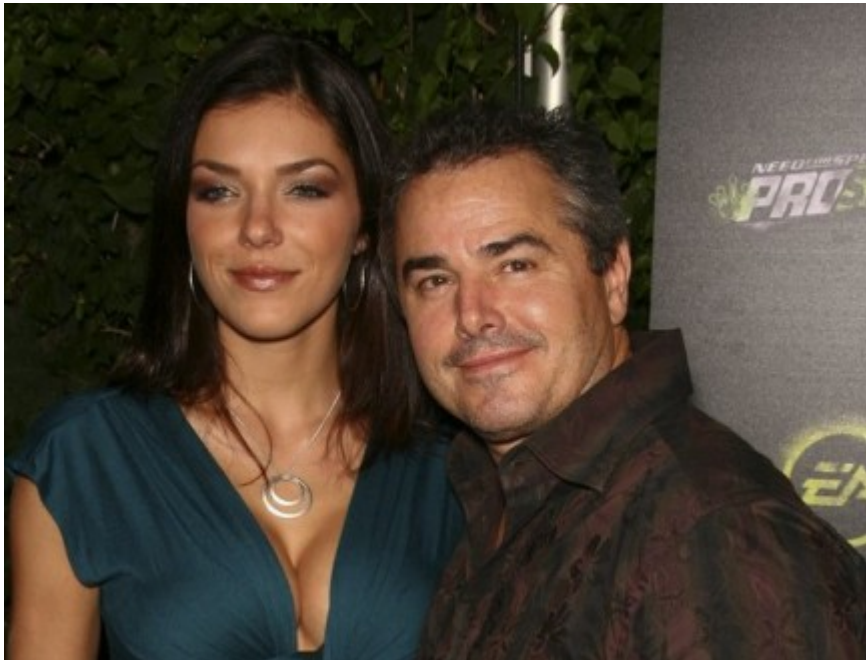
1. Get the facts: Underage drinking and bank robbery are two very different crimes. Make sure you know what your partner was charged with and how serious the crimes were before you enter into the relationship.

2. Prepare yourself: It's harder to live life with a criminal record. Travel becomes difficult, as does getting a loan or applying for a job. Make sure that you are willing to carry some of the burden for your partner's past mistakes.

3. Shake it off: Plenty of individuals make unwise decisions when they are young. Though the thought of dating someone who has had trouble with the law may scare you, don't be too prejudiced. Your partner now has different ideals and life experience to bring to the relationship.

Have you ever dated someone with a criminal past? Feel free to comment below.

Newlywed Sara Rue Says She's Never Been Happier



Rules of Engagement

actress and Jenny Craig spokeswoman Sara Rue put her new hot body to use in a wedding dress recently and could not be happier. "I feel so lucky to have found someone as kind, funny and smart as Kevin (Price)," she recently gushed in UsMagazine.com. The two wed Saturday in a beach-themed affair, held at the Bel Air Bay Club in Malibu. The guest list was small, only 112 total for this "small and intimate" affair (according to wedding planner Rachel Hollis). "One of the first things Sara ever told me was that she was obsessed with butterflies and hummingbirds," Hollis spoke of the reception. "She loves specifically hummingbirds. She had this idea of a vintage inspired garden party and it evolved from there."

What are some ways to make your wedding reception unique?

Cupid's Advice:

Your big day should be everything you wished for and more, so why not change it up? Instead of the traditional wedding and reception, here are a few ways Cupid guarantees your wedding

will stand out from others:

1. Themed wedding: Most feel this is tacky, but what better way to stand out? Agree on a theme with your partner and give your guests the most unforgettable wedding reception they've ever seen.

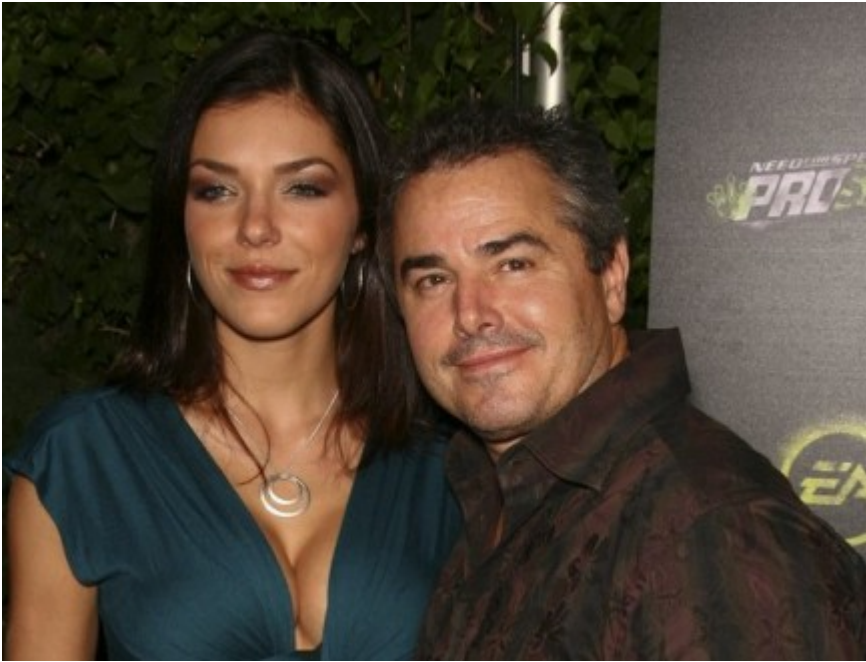
2. Top chef: Most of your guests have been to these before. They're over the traditional, cliché reception platters. Switch it up by considering a hibachi-style sushi bar or other personally-made entrées.

3. Make it meaningful: Share the amazing experiences you've shared with each other with everyone else throughout your special day. Select food and decoration choices based on what you've gone through as a couple.

How did you out-do the traditional wedding reception? Share your stories below.

Blake Lively and Leonardo DiCaprio Spotted Together In Italy





Looks like love may be in the air for newly single Blake Lively and Leonardo DiCaprio. DiCaprio, who just ended his 5-year relationship with Bar Rafaeli and Lively, who split from Penn Badgley in late 2010, were spotted together in Italy this past Sunday, according to UsMagazine.com. It seems that the two wasted no time in getting to know each other on a cute, romantic getaway. Talk about starting off a relationship in a unique way!

How do you start off your relationship in an unforgettable way?

Cupid's Advice:

The start of any new relationship is exciting and memorable, but Cupid has some tips on how to make it *unforgettable*:

1. Try new things: What better way to start off a relationship than by going out and trying new things. Try eating at a new restaurant that you wouldn't typically go to or try a new activity. Freshness will help make your new relationship special and memorable.

2. Take candid pictures: The beginning of any relationship is considered the "honeymoon" stage, so why not keep those

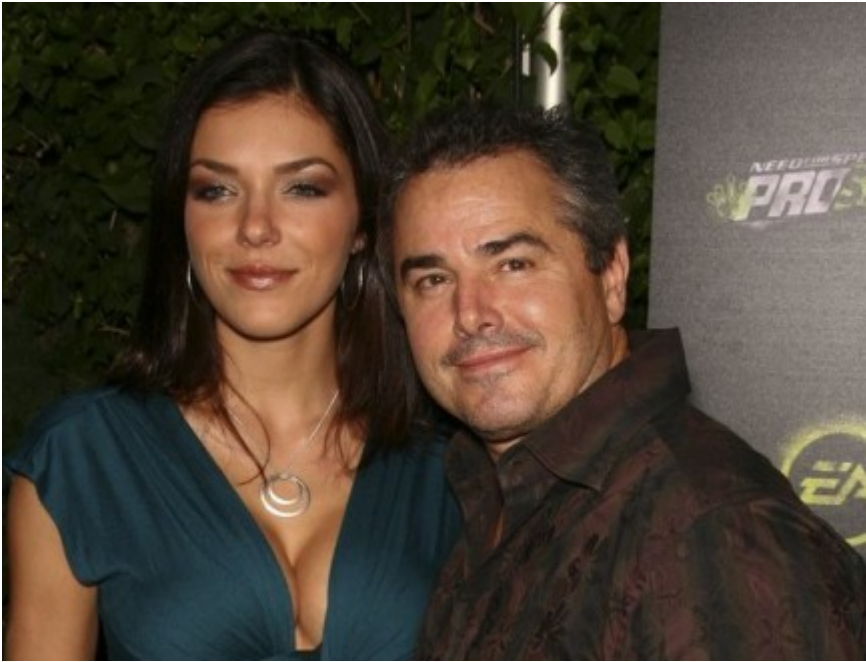
memories alive by taking pictures of all the fun times you two are having together? This way, you'll always remember the fun you had from the very start.

3. Have fun: The most important part of starting a new relationship is to make sure you relax and have fun. This is the best way to open up and get to know your new significant other without any expectations and judgements. Take a ride on a rollercoaster or go rock climbing. Do something crazy and fun.

How did you make the start of your relationship unforgettable? Share your stories below!

Michael Bublé and New Wife Plan Second Wedding in Canada





A wedding is one of the most important days of your life, and Michael Bublé may get to experience it twice. The crooner recently married Luisana Loreley Lopilato de la Torre, and the lucky bride may head down the aisle once again. Roughly a month and a half ago, the pair wed in Buenos Aires where Torre's family is located, according to [E! Online](#). Bublé's reps confirm there will be no second wedding, yet rumor has it that a second wedding will take place for his family in Canada. Reps do confirm, however, that there will be a reception for those who could not make it to their ceremony. The newlywed will then venture off to Italy before Bublé's big tour.

How can you celebrate your wedding with family from two parts of the world?

Cupid's Advice:

Making both of your families happy can be tricky, and you'll need to compromise. Your wedding day is supposed to be one of the best days of your lives, and you'll of course want to share it with those you love. Cupid has a few ways you can make sure all of your family members and friends are included:

1. Destination wedding: This may be expensive, but why not go

all out? Everyone can meet up and take a cruise through the tropics while you two exchange vows at sea.

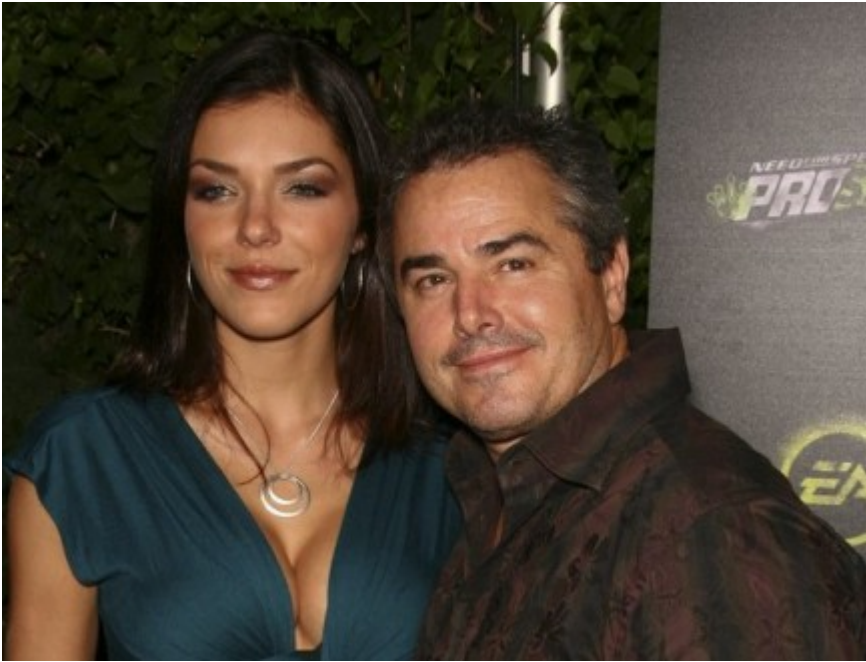
2. The sympathy card: Guys, she's really stressed out right now, and she wants her day to be perfect. If she wants to get married in her hometown, have your family come to her. Those truly close to you will make arrangements to be there no matter what.

3. Meet in the middle: Find somewhere that is mutual territory and that makes sense. Perhaps that means halfway for both parties, or even in your own backyard.

How did you make both of your families happy at your wedding?
Share your stories below.

Ginnifer Goodwin and Fiancé Break Off Engagement





It looks like the engagement between Ginnifer Goodwin and her fiancé Joey Kern is off, sources tell [People](#). Goodwin, a former star of the HBO series *Big Love*, apparently split from the *Super Troopers* actor a few weeks ago. The duo had been engaged since December after being introduced to each other by a mutual friend.

When is it time to break up?

Cupid's Advice:

Not all loves in this world are supposed to last. Cupid has a few suggestions on how to know when it's time to leave:

- 1. Where is the love?:** If the love and connection you used to your feel with your partner has now vanished or decreased significantly, it may be time to re-evaluate your relationship.
- 2. Mirror check:** Take a look at yourself in the mirror periodically and make sure your'e the person you want to be. If your relationship is changing your values and priorities, then you may need to let it go.
- 3. Butting heads:** Sometimes you may be in love with someone,

but you can't seem to find a way to compromise about a problem in your relationship. If it's a big enough issue that it's starting to tear you apart, it might be time to step away for a while and think things through.

When did you know it was time to end your last relationship? Share your experiences below.

How Maria Shriver Found Out About Arnold Schwarzenegger's Love Child



New details about how Maria Shriver learned of her husband's infidelity have surfaced. UsMagazine.com reports that Shriver, 55, went out to

eat with girlfriends Oprah Winfrey and Gayle King right before the news broke that Arnold Schwarzenegger fathered a child with a member of their household staff. Shriver supported her friend Oprah by attending her talk show send-off just days after the scandal went public. "Not only did she come, she came, she showed up, she did the part," King, 54, said. "[Maria's] a class act and she's handling it with such grace, trying to figure out what to do...how to help the children through. It's just a very difficult time and heartbreaking to see."

What are some ways to react when you find out your partner has cheated?

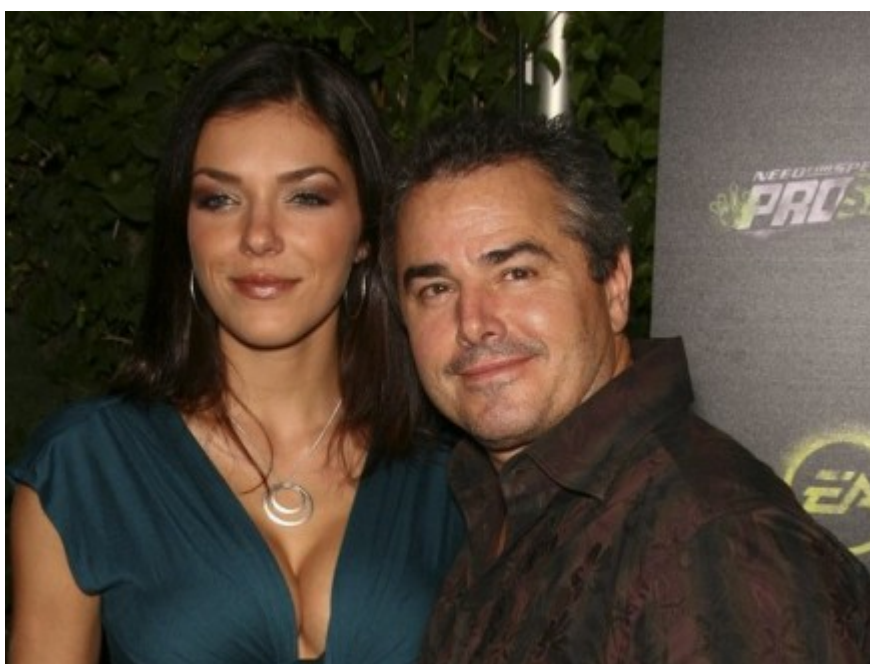
Cupid's Advice:

Learning about a partner's affair is tough, and there are lots of different ways to react. Cupid has some ideas on the best and worst ways to respond:

- 1. Get your revenge:** Often our first instinct is to get angry and take it out on your cheating partner. While it's important to feel your frustration and sadness, don't do or say something you'll regret later.
- 2. Become a hermit:** Once you hear the earth-shattering news, you may need some time alone to grieve. But don't forget that going out and spending time with friends and family is essential during a difficult time.
- 3. Keep it classy:** Even though you may want to either hole up or lash out at your mate, try to stay above all the pettiness. Take the high road, and remember that life goes on.

How would you respond to news that your significant other cheated? Share your comments below.

7 Things NOT To Do On Your Wedding Night



By Brea Gunn

Most women dream not only about their wedding, but also about the wedding *night*. That's right. We girls have the entire experience planned out from the minute that we wake up on that special day to the moment that we put on that slinky babydoll.

What we often don't realize is that there are a number of things that are sure to ruin the experience. Here are some things to avoid:

1. Excessive drinking: I shouldn't need to explain why this would be a problem, but in case you need a refresher: do you really want to be tired, lethargic and possibly not remember your wedding night? Didn't think so. Have a talk with your

groom *before* the wedding about what you both feel is appropriate so that the celebration doesn't get out of hand.

2. Hunger: No one feels very romantic when they're starving. So EAT! That's right. Eat. If you can't breathe in your wedding dress, be sure that your 'going away' garb has a little extra expanding room. If you can't eat at your reception, ask that a fruit, cheese or combination be brought to your changing room.

3. A full stomach: Yes, the food was to *die* for, but now you want to die. This is NOT GOOD. Be careful of eating too much, especially if you have a particularly decadent spread at your disposal. Ask mom, dad or your best friend to save you some good eats for the next day (unless you're leaving for your honeymoon).

4. Thin walls: You may not consider this, but take it from me, you may want to make some noise, and the LAST thing that you want is the old guy in the next room banging on your wall. Do yourself a favor and visit your wedding night room, suite, or B&B well before the big day. That way you know what you're getting.

5. Older hotels and Bed & Breakfasts: Sure, they're cool and have lots of charm, but some also have pitfalls. For example, one historic hotel that I looked at for my own wedding night had *communal bathrooms*. No thank you. There was no way I was going to change out of my dress and into lingerie only to walk down the hallway back to my room. Make sure that you have your own bathroom (You'll know this ahead of time if you follow the advice about an early visit above). I promise, it's worth the time.

6. Fighting: Don't start anything on your wedding night. Sure, the way that he wouldn't stop break dancing at the reception may have you hopping mad (and yes, it would have been nice if he had asked *you* to dance), but try to put it

behind you. After all, you only get to do this night once. Make sure that your memories are happy ones. Can't keep it in? Try writing it down so that you can address your issues later.

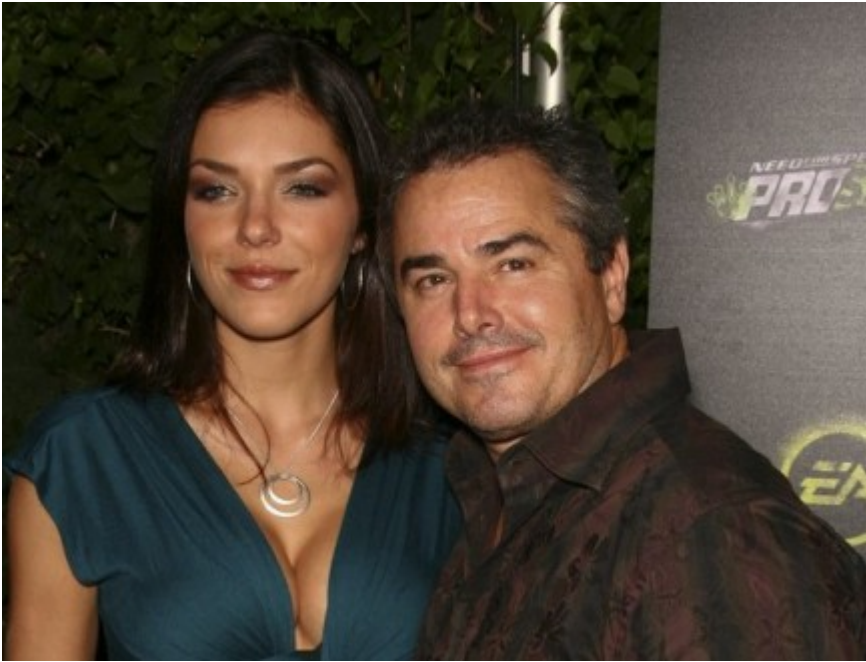
7. Inviting friends to the hotel: Though it's tempting to continue the party (you just got MARRIED!!!), you and your new spouse need some time alone. If you invite friends back to your room, or even to your hotel, you run the risk of not being able to retire when you want to and forfeiting night of your dreams. They're your friends, so you'll see them later.

Gracefully tell everyone thank you, and leave the party at the reception site so that you can get started on your honeymoon.

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'The Bachelorette' Season 7 Premiere: Ashley Meets Her 25 Guys





By Jennifer

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As we all know, Ashley Hebert was one of the final three women in the running for Brad Womack's heart last season on ABC's *The Bachelor*. While the spark between them eventually fizzled as Ashley repeatedly experienced doubt about their relationship, this dainty dentist is back for round two of the love game as season 7's Bachelorette!

We've followed all of the buzz leading up to this season, as people have wondered what type of bachelorette Ashley would be, and even made a few early predictions about her first picks. Without further adieu, here's last night's season premiere recap:

Ashley, who looked lovely in a gold evening gown, was treated to a parade of 25 bachelors who delivered on the Ooh La La ABC promised! This group of handsome men included all types – notably, a construction manager, a winemaker, a butcher and a widower. While Ashley expressed some self-doubt throughout the evening (she worried about “being a disappointment to the guys”), the men were excited and eager to make a first impression upon our Bachelorette. The cutest introduction of the night went to Constantine, who tied a string of pink

dental floss around Ashley's finger as a reminder for the duo to chat later.

It was certainly a cocktail party to remember – but maybe not for all of the bachelors! Liquor distributor Tim was so inebriated he was unable to speak. He even fell asleep on the couch outside, and neither Ashley's voice or shakes could stop his snoring. Way to make a first impression, Tim!

Jeff (our masked bachelor) told Ashley that his mask wasn't just a "cheesy gimmick" – he wanted to take his face "out of the game" so she could learn about what was inside of him. Let's see how long this charade lasts – do you think he'll take it off (his *mask*, of course!) before Ashley sends him home?

Rumored heartbreaker Bentley promised he'll always tell Ashley the truth. This businessman is divorced and has a daughter named Cozy – but is he on the show for the right reasons? Someone from a former *Bachelor* season (rumor has it that it's Ms. Money, herself!) told Ashley that he was only there to promote his business, but she's attracted to him and seems genuine, so she doesn't know what to think. Looks like Bentley will be this season's heartbreaker.

However, the highly-desired first impression rose went to Ryan P., the solar energy executive. Ashley told *People* that she gave him the first impression rose because, "Coming into this experience, I had a list of a few things I was looking for in a husband, and the first night, I saw ALL of those things in Ryan. He deserved the first impression rose more than anyone." Congrats!

Here's who ended up with roses at the end of the evening: Jeff (in the mask!), Constantine, Ben F., Lucas, Stephen, Matt, Nick, Chris D., Ryan M., Blake, Mickey, Ben C., West, William, JP, Ames and Bentley. We were happy to see that our early favorites (West, William and Blake) all received roses!

Anthony, Jon, Frank, Rob, Mike and Chris M. were all sent home – and some of them looked awfully upset about it. We wish them the best of luck in their quest to find love.

Now that we know the guys a bit better, it's even easier to get excited for Monday nights. This season's preview included amazing boat rides dates, a boxing match, a trip to the hospital for one unfortunate contestant and Ashley sobbing in bed – any early predictions on which guy made her cry? Regardless, this season will be full of amazing scenes from Thailand, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Fiji, along with what else – drama!

Before I sign off, I wanted to announce the lucky winner of the *Bachelor* reunion swag bag: Mandy Robinson! Congratulations on your win, which includes products from Lubriderm, Powerbar, Gilchrist and Soams, Beauty Society, "Skinny on Willpower" by Jim Randel, Popchips, Panda Licorice, Alterna Haircare, Cheek'd, Buddah Balm, Eight O'Clock Coffee, Eat Whatever Breath Mints and Pajama City!

We can't wait for next week's episode and we hope you guys are just as excited as we are! We want to know: who are your early favorites? Do you agree with Ashley's decision to give Bentley a rose, although she has been warned he's not on the show for the right seasons? Let us know in a comment below and don't forget to tune into ABC's *The Bachelorette* on **Monday, May 30 at 8PM/7PM Central**. Check us out on Tuesday for our recap. See you then!