

# Jason Mraz Discusses Why Fiancee Tristan Prettyman is “The One”



Singer Jason Mraz is sure his fiancée, Tristan Prettyman is “The One.” *UsMagazine.com* reports that Mraz’s certainty stems from his devotion to the number 23. “[Prettyman and I] hit it off instantly by syncing our interest in this magical prime number,” said Mraz on his blog. “Whenever she or I come upon it, whether being sat at table 23, or assigned seat 23 on a plane, we almost-always and/or involuntarily think about the other.” In fact, Mraz proposed on the magical 23rd of December. “We both see this being a long engagement, but would love to get married within the next 2.3 years,” said Mraz. “She will likely retain her beautiful name, but should she decide to hyphenate, Tristan Ann Prettyman-Mraz makes 23 letters.”

## What are signs that your partner is “The One”?

### Cupid’s Advice:

Sometimes it’s hard to tell if your partner has the potential to be “The One.” Here are a few signs:

- 1. He supports you:** A supportive partner will most likely be amenable to any changes your career throws at you, like sudden moves or a change in salary. Support is necessary if you and your partner are going to provide for each other both emotionally and financially.
- 2. You have the same goals:** You and your significant other need to be confident in your future together. If you both wish for kids or want a small house by the beach, then you’ll find that making decisions in the future will be relatively painless.
- 3. Your instinct:** You can do all of the analyzing you want, but eventually what it comes down to is how you feel about your partner. You may not see fireworks or flashes of light across the sky, but at the very least, a small part of you will “just know.”

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## Christie Brinkley Says Finding Love Isn’t a Priority

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Even though Christie Brinkley has been divorced for two years, she's in no hurry to find love again, according to *People*. Why? According to the model, she's not as likely to meet people when she has her kids with her, which is a lot of the time. Also, she says, "you never really know if someone is talking to you because you're a celebrity. It's not my number one priority."

Brinkley currently has three children, and says that being a mother "takes a lot of work. My works makes me a better mom.

It gives me a little door to step out of my parenting and bring the excitement from that day back home." Her advice to bounce back from a painful divorce? "You've got to find a way to keep laughing, even if it's black humor, and my friends are very good at that," she says. "Some people think of happiness as a luxury, but it's a necessity, and you need to make space for it in your life."

**How do you know if someone likes you for the right reasons?**

Cupid's Advice:

Celebrities can never tell if people are into them because

they're famous or because they actually like them. Even for those of us who aren't famous, it can be tough to tell if someone's interested for the right reasons. Here are some hints:

**1. Eye contact:** It may seem simple, but if someone is actually interested in what you're saying, he will make eye contact with you during a conversation. If it seems like he's constantly glancing around to see who's watching, he might be a fake.

**2. He's attentive:** He sends you cute texts in between dates, he remembers things you said the last time you saw him and follows up on them, and he goes out of his way for you on a regular basis. These are all signs that he likes you for you.

**3. He sings your praises:** Instead of simply telling his friends he's dating you and leaving it at that, he gushes to them about all of your finer qualities – the ones that matter. This proves he's actually getting to know you and likes what he sees so far.

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## Advanced Clips: Bravo's Millionaire Matchmaker





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Millionaire Matchmaker 4, Tuesday January 4 – This week Patti deals with one very superficial client and another client with serious commitment issues. Robin, a successful woman in her 30's has very specific physical requests (Hello Mathew McConaughey!) but Patti isn't afraid to call her out on trying to snag a guy out of her league. John, on the other hand, is looking for a real relationship but will have to move out of his comfort zone and face his commitment issues head on. Will Patti straighten these two out and find them love or will their on-going issues cause more matchmaking drama?

[Finding the one thing that's missing: This millionairess needs Patti Stanger's help finding love.](#)

[Not Commitment-phobic: Patti Stanger calls out this millionaire who is a commitment-phobe but he doesn't see it that way.](#)

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# Nicki Minaj is Single and Seeking a Calm and Strong Man



Nicki Minaj is single and ready to date, according to The Hollywood Gossip. Minaj is on the cover of the latest issue of *King Magazine* and opens up about what she's looking for in a partner. "Someone who is calm, who is strong enough to not have to win every argument, who allows a woman to be her crazy self and someone with a conscience not to feel less of a man." We suppose a calm man would be a good balance to the rapper's wild style.

**What are characteristics of a good argument style in a relationship?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

A good argument is not who has the best come-back, but more of an action plan. You can have a shouting match with your siblings, but talk it out with your partner:

**1. Listen:** How do you expect your partner to listen to your side if you won't listen to his? If you're too heated to sit down and be rational, take some time apart and get back together in an hour or so, after you've both cooled off.

**2. Acknowledge his side:** When your boyfriend is making a point and says something you disagree with, let him know that you understand where he's coming from, but that you don't feel the same way. "I understand you want to do this, but I feel it would be better if.." is a good way to start.

**3. Sleep on it:** Sometimes it's better to go to bed and start the day fresh than to talk in circles with no solution in sight. If you're not getting anywhere, sleep on it and return to the subject at hand in the morning.

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**'The Bachelor' Season  
Premiere Tonight with Brad  
Womack!**







By Krissy Dolor

Your feet may be dragging at work today since it's the Monday after your New Years celebrations, but who cares? ABC's *The Bachelor* returns tonight with the man who has broken hearts before – Brad Womack. In tonight's season 15 premiere, Brad will select a group of 20 women from a pool of 30 bachelorette contestants. He'll even face DeAnna Pappas and Jenni Croft, the two women he rejected at the end of his first stint on the show. Whether you love Brad or hate his guts, you know you'll have to watch! It airs **Monday, 1/3 at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time**. And remember to stop by tomorrow for our recap of the episode! Happy watching!

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## Reese Witherspoon and Jim Toth Are Engaged





Reese Witherspoon will soon be walking down the aisle once again, this time with Hollywood agent Jim Toth. The actress, 34, and Toth, 40, began dating in January 2010. This will be Witherspoon's second time down the aisle; her first marriage to actor Ryan Phillippe ended in 2008. Witherspoon and Phillippe have two children together, Ava, 11, and Deacon, 7. An insider revealed that Witherspoon's children have bonded with Toth and "...are happy with [Toth]." The source assured *UsMagazine.com*, "[Reese] is definitely happy, in love and definitely wants to settle down."

### **What are things to consider about a second marriage?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

When your first marriage doesn't work out, it's understandable to want to give married life another shot. Here are a few things to consider about a second marriage:

**1. Children:** If you have any children from your first marriage, make sure they are fond of your new partner. Your

children need to have a say in deciding who their next family member will be.

**2. Child/Spousal support:** Before walking down the aisle, make sure you have taken care of all of the monetary concerns. Review the child or spousal support you are receiving from (or giving to) your ex-husband, and be aware of any changes that will occur.

**3. First marriage's failure:** Take some time to reflect on your first marriage, and figure out why it failed. By analyzing your mistakes, you can go into your second marriage with a stronger understanding of what it takes to make a marriage work.

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## Tasha Smith Gets Married at Home





Every little girl has dreams of a big fancy wedding when she grows up, right? Not necessarily! For Tasha Smith and Keith Douglas, exchanging vows in the living room of their Los Angeles home was a dream come true. “We decided to hold a very simple, intimate ceremony with just us and our pastor,” the 39-year-old actress tells *Essence*. According to *People*, the newlyweds announced their engagement six months ago. Now back from her Las Vegas honeymoon, Smith says, “It was a beautiful, blessed moment that we will remember forever.”

### **How do you make a wedding at home romantic?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Many couples would love a wedding like Tasha Smith and Keith Douglas, but they aren't sure how to make it special. Cupid has a few ways to make a wedding at home special:

**1. Live music:** Since you're saving so much money on a venue, why not spend some of it on a band? There's nothing more romantic than walking down the staircase to the sound of soothing instruments in the other room. Then after the ceremony, have them play your favorite requests while you dance the night away with your new spouse.

**2. Decorate:** Decorations can turn any ordinary room into a

fancy hall. A few fancy chairs, tables with center pieces and some pretty flowers can help aid with the transformation.

**3. Try outside:** Having a wedding at home doesn't actually limit you to the inside of your house. If it's nice day, why not say "I do" in the beautiful summer breeze or over your newly green lawn covered in spring flowers? Don't forget, your backyard is part of your home, too.

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## 90210 Star Shenae Grimes Denies Dating John Mayer



According to *UsMagazine.com*, *Star* recently connected Shenae Grimes of *90210* to singer, John Mayer. However, both parties deny this claim. While a rep for John Mayer simply stated that *Star* isn't a credible source, Shenae Grimes took to Twitter to set

the record straight by tweeting, "According to *Star* magazine John Mayer and I are in secret sexy cahoots. How wonderful for me...if wonderful meant embarrassing." **How do you tell if he's a bad boy?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

John Mayer has established his reputation as a bad boy in Hollywood. The thing is, they don't always come in leather jackets. Here are some tell-tale signs:

- 1. Your parents don't like him:** Sometimes mother really does know best. Your parents will always want the best for you and can almost always sense when the guy doesn't have your best interests at heart.
  - 2. He's unpredictable:** If you can't count on him to keep his word or show up to dates on time (or at all), he's probably bad news.
  - 3. He won't fully commit:** If he tends to always keep his distance, you probably aren't the only woman in his life.
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## **Kelly Osbourne Trashes Ex-Boyfriend Luke Worrall**





Christmas wasn't so merry for Kelly Osbourne, thanks to ex-fiance Luke Worrall. According to [Us Weekly](#), the 26-year old let her ex have it late Monday night via Twitter. At first, Osbourne kept it cryptic, tweeting: "Just found something out that has hurt my feelings so bad ☹ and christmas was going so well." Later on, she made it clear that since they parted in July, "he has been trying to get back with me, I only came home for Xmas to see him. Meanwhile, he has been f\*\*\*ing hundreds of girls...behind my back." The E! Fashion Police critic is back in London with her family for the holidays and plans to go "off Twitter for a while." Osbourne noted, "Never felt heartbroken like this in my life."

**What things should you keep to yourself in a relationship?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Kelly Osbourne was so blinded by anger that she got the whole media world involved with her relationship. However, there are many things in a relationship that should just stay between you and your special someone. Cupid has some examples:

**1. Fights:** Getting people involved in arguments between you and your partner could be fatal to your relationship. Whether it's your friends ganging up on him or his family judging you,



tension is bound to build.

**2. Love life:** Whether your love life is amazing or on the rocks, it's your love life. Even if you're okay with others knowing intimate details, he may not be. Respect your relationship with your partner by keeping certain details to yourself.

**3. Money:** If you and your partner are married or living together, money becomes a shared entity. Many people are sensitive about the amount of money they make, whether they admit it or not. Keep monetary details on the down-low.

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## LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian Are Engaged



After all the



controversy surrounding their relationship, LeAnn Rimes and boyfriend Eddie Cibrian are engaged! According to [People](#), a source close to the couple says, "Yes, they were engaged over the holidays and are very happy." On Monday, Rimes thanked all of her fans for their support by tweeting, "Thank you for all your well wishes!! We are extremely excited and look forward to a beautiful future. It's been an incredible last few days, I was shocked!!! We are blessed, our families are so happy and our lives are filled with love." The pair was surrounded by family and friends in town directly following.

### **What are reasons to involve your family in your engagement?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

An engagement is one of the happiest moments of your life, and who better to share it with than the people who have seen you through it all? Cupid has some reasons to involve your family in your engagement plans:

- 1. Approval:** Even though they have probably met your partner before, introducing someone as your fiancé is totally different. Make sure the people who know you best approve of this decision.
  - 2. Respect:** Your parents and family are the ones that have raised you and been with you through it all. Include them in the engagement proceedings out of respect.
  - 3. To share your happiness:** Because your engagement is one of the happiest times in your life, sharing that joy with your family makes it even happier.
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# Jessica Simpson Calls Eric Johnson 'Perfect Addition to Our Family'



Jessica Simpson was very active on her Twitter account this past week, wishing all of her followers a very merry Christmas, reports [RadarOnline](#). Simpson revealed that her entire family gathered at her parents' home in Encino, California for a Christmas celebration. Simpson's fiancé, football player Eric Johnson, was also there for the celebration. "Eric is the perfect addition to our family," tweeted Simpson. "I'm so grateful this holiday season!!! I hope everyone had a magical Christmas! Love you X."

**Is it important that your partner fit in with your family?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Having your family accept your partner is only half the battle. The other half is getting your family to actually like him. While some deem this effort unnecessary, having a significant other who fits in with your family makes life much easier. Here are some benefits:

**1. Peace of mind:** When families get together, especially during the holiday season, it's nice to know that there aren't any snide or frustrated conversations occurring behind your partner's back.

**2. Willing favors:** While your family would never turn their back on you and your partner when the two of you are in need, they will be more likely to grant a favor with a smile on their face if they genuinely approve of your relationship.

**3. Frequent visits:** When your partner feels comfortable visiting your family with you, you're able to spend more time with all of the people you love.

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## Meet the 30 Contestants for 'The Bachelor' Season 15





By Krissy Dolor

Now that you've read all about Brad Womack, we know you're dying to meet the ladies that will compete for his heart in this season of ABC's *The Bachelor*. Despite the intense backlash, Womack is back. And while there are no cheerleaders, like Jenni Croft, or real estate agents, like DeAnna Pappas, there is a Radio City Rockette and a real estate broker. Here's a brief rundown of the women in store for the season 11 heartbreaker:

Median age: 27

- 7 blondes
- 16 brunettes
- 6 brunettes posing as blondes
- 1 strawberry blonde bordering redhead
- 2 nannys
- 2 teachers
- 25 tattoos
- 3 tramp stamps
- 2 Ashleys
- 2 Lisas
- 2 Sarahs
- 1 "J" (does she think this is the *Jersey Shore*?)
- 1 manscaper (what a profession!)

Lots of the girls love the Fourth of July (fireworks, anyone?) and Halloween. A bunch like to drink Diet Coke (watching their figures?). More than half have pets. Four women are from California, three are from Washington and Florida, and two are from Colorado and Texas. These are your contestants from New York and New Jersey. And everyone swears they're a romantic.

But does this mean the public dumper will find love the second time around?

Many of them look like the beauty pageant variety, but who knows if their in-house demeanor will match their picture-perfect head shots – or be a fit for Womack's finicky heart. It's too early to call the shots on these ladies, but only a few more days until we get to see who makes the first cut!

Want more on these gals (or just want to nitpick)? Follow Cupid and check out ABC's in-depth look [here](#). Think 30 bachelorettes are too much to remember? Download ABC's Cheat Sheet (Cupid will, too!) and stay on top of your game. And be sure to come back next week for our first recap of this season's premiere on Monday, Jan. 3rd at 8 PM/7 PM Central Time.

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## Natalie Portman is Engaged and Pregnant





Natalie Portman has more to celebrate than her Golden Globe nomination. The actress is engaged to choreographer, Benjamin Millepied, and they are expecting their first child, according to [People](#). The pair met during the production of the Darren Aronofsky's ballet thriller *Black Swan*, where Millepied acted as a choreographer and one of Portman's co-stars. The couple is excited for their first child who is due in 2011.

## **Is it OK to date your coworkers?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

While there are some people who won't mix business with pleasure, others don't see a problem with it. Before making a decision, Cupid has some things to consider:

- 1. Expressing feelings:** Don't jump into things too quickly. Make sure that your attraction is mutual so that you don't end up making things awkward in the workplace.
- 2. Don't violate company policy:** Some companies discourage relationships among employees while others are more tolerant of it. Find out what the dating policy in your company is beginning a relationship with your coworker.
- 3. Be serious:** Make sure you are both serious about being in a



relationship. If you know that it's just going to be a short-term fling, it might be awkward for both of you to work together afterward.

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## Kate Middleton Celebrates Last Christmas with Family



This may have been the last Christmas Kate Middleton spends with her own family, [Us Weekly](#) speculates. While Middleton was with her parents in Berkshire, England for the holidays, Prince William spent the holidays doing search and rescue work in a helicopter in North Wales. Once the couple weds next April, Middleton will most likely be spending Christmas 2011 at the royal Christmas Day celebration at Sandringham. Sources say that traditionally, her parents would not receive an invitation. But also according to sources, changes may be in store for royalty in



England. “William is determined for this to be the beginning of a new royal family with new ways of doing things, he wants his marriage to last.”

**What sacrifices should you make for a relationship?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

Just like Kate Middleton’s life is about to change, we all make sacrifices for our relationships in our own individual ways. Here are some guidelines:

- 1. Stay comfortable:** As long as you feel okay about the sacrifices you make in a relationship, that’s all that matters. But once you feel like your partner is asking too much of you, rethink things before you go through with them.
- 2. Sacrifices are a two-way street:** You should not be the only one making sacrifices in your relationship. If you celebrate Christmas with your family one year, perhaps you can spend time with his family the next. Relationships are all about give and take, and your parents will understand that.
- 3. Be true to yourself:** Never do something that makes you uncomfortable or that you puts you in danger. As much as you may love your partner, you are ultimately number one.

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## **5 Things You Need to Know About the New ‘Bachelor’ Brad Womack**



By Kari Arneson

The most controversial Bachelor ever is back Jan. 3! Whether you're new to the series or are already a devoted fan, here are some things you need to know about Brad Womack before tuning in:

**1. He's a self-made man:** Born in Atlanta, Brad was raised alongside his two brothers in a single-parent home. At the age of 28, he bought his first drinking establishment. He currently owns and operates several bars and restaurants in Austin, Texas.

**2. He's not new:** As the season 11 Bachelor in 2007, Brad Womack had a choice between Jenni Croft and DeAnna Pappas in the season finale. For the first time in *Bachelor* history, he chose neither woman and ended up where he started: single. In season 15, Brad is now back for a second chance at love.

**3. He has to prove himself:** Brad earned the ire of millions of women when he rejected DeAnna and Jenni during the finale. By choosing to return, he'll need to prove that he's ready to

commit and win the trust of the bachelorettes on the show.

**4. He's looking for a friend:** When asked what kind of woman he's looking for, he said he's "been there and done that." He just wants a friend and someone he can be himself around.

**5. He's wiser:** Since he's already been the Bachelor, Brad has learned what to do – and what *not* to do – so he won't make the same mistakes again. He's also spent the last three years in intensive therapy that led him to personal revelations about his commitment issues.

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## Alanis Morissette Has a Baby Boy



After a May wedding, singer Alanis Morissette and rapper Mario "Souleye" Treadway

are proud to announce the arrival of their son, Ever Imre Morissette-Treadway. Talk about a mouthful! It was in August that Morissette revealed her pregnancy in *Us Weekly*'s "25 Things You Don't Know About Me" section, listing "I am pregnant!" as the 25<sup>th</sup> item on the list. According to [Us Weekly](#), a representative confirms, "All are healthy and happy."

**What are ways to compromise with your partner about a baby name?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

There's no doubt that naming your child is an important process between you and your partner. If you're stuck on how to make this decision, here's a couple of ways to find some middle ground:

- 1. Use both of your favorites:** Do both of you have your heart set on a different name? Use them both!
- 2. Try different spellings:** There are various spellings to each name. Compromise by having one of you choose the name, while the other chooses the spelling.
- 3. Make a list:** Make a list of your favorite baby names and compare your choices with your partner's. Look for names that rank high on both of your lists for the perfect resolution.

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**Ryan      Reynolds      Officially**

# Files for Divorce from Scarlett Johansson



As much as we had hoped they would work it out, less than two weeks after their separation, Ryan Reynolds and Scarlett Johansson have officially filed for divorce, according to USMagazine.com. According to their documents, neither is asking for spousal support.

**How do you know when it's time to make a separation permanent?**

Cupid's Advice:

Separations are usually a last attempt to make your marriage work. Unfortunately, they often precede divorce. Cupid has some ways for you to know when it's time to make a separation permanent:

**1. You can't get along:** If taking a break from each other

doesn't get rid of some of the hostility in your marriage, it may be a sign that it's too late to work things out.

**2. You're only in it for the kids:** As much as every parent wants to make their children happy, there comes a time when you may need to put yourself and your spouse's needs first.

**3. You've been unhappy a long time:** A separation is a time to reflect on your relationship. If you can't recall a recent time when you were content with your spouse, it may be time to move on.

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## Gwyneth Paltrow Says Dating Brad Pitt and Ben Affleck Was Weird





Before marrying rocker Chris Martin and becoming a family woman, Gwyneth Paltrow was a serial dater. In the 90's, she was known for her high-profile relationships with men like Brad Pitt and Ben Affleck. Paltrow now confesses that now she feels a little weird about her famous ex-boyfriends, according to [Us Weekly](#). "It was strange to be part of a public couple," she says in a new E! special, *Gwyneth Paltrow*.

**What are personality traits to avoid in a potential partner?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

To avoid a "strange" relationship, there are some things you should look out for in a potential partner. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Bad boy:** He may be hard to resist, but dating a bad boy is, ironically, a bad idea. Oftentimes he's afraid to commit and will be unfaithful.
- 2. Power-hungry:** It's good to be ambitious and want to advance in your career. But you should avoid a guy who is obsessed with money and power because he won't give you the attention you deserve.
- 3. Too vain:** Who doesn't love a pretty boy? But if he spends



more time staring in the mirror than looking at you, he's way too into himself.

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## Playboy Founder Hugh Hefner is Engaged



According to [People](#), Hugh Hefner surprised everyone this holiday season by proposing to girlfriend, Crystal Harris, while exchanging gifts with her on Christmas Eve. The *Playboy* founder then announced on Twitter that his new fiancé burst into tears when he gave her the ring. To clarify that we was actually engaged, he later tweeted, “Yes, the ring I gave Crystal is an engagement ring. I didn’t mean to make a mystery out of it. A very Merry Christmas to all.” Harris was December 2009’s *Playboy* Playmate. As Hugh Hefner is 84 and his new fiancé is 24, there is a 60 year age difference between the couple.

## Does an age difference matter in a relationship?

### Cupid's Advice:

Love knows no gender, color, religion or age. However, a large age gap can result in numerous misunderstandings:

- 1. Different life stages:** People tend to want different things out of life at different ages. When you're in a relationship with someone significantly older or younger, your needs and wants may clash.
  - 2. Energy level:** A difference in energy levels can be caused by many factors, but an age difference is probably the most common instigator.
  - 3. Mutual friends:** Though you may be an excellent couple, it might be hard to find common ground when it comes to mutual friends.
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## Christina Ricci Says Robert Pattinson is a Good Kisser





Uh oh, should Kristin Stewart be worried? According to [Us Weekly](#), Christina Ricci and Rob Pattinson locked lips for their upcoming movie *Bel Ami*, and Ricci liked it. The actress confessed, “He’s a good kisser,” but the smooching was purely professional. She went on to say, “He’s a lovely human being also, he reminded me of my best friend’s little brothers growing up. He’s just a silly, fun guy; we laughed a lot. He makes fun of himself all the time; he’s adorable...” Luckily, it seems like Stewart has nothing to worry about.

**Why is the first kiss in a relationship so important?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

There are a lot of firsts in a new relationship. Cupid has some reasons that the first kiss is particularly important:

- 1. Connection:** As much as you may like your new potential partner, the first kiss says a lot about your chemistry. Either the connection is there or it isn’t, and most of the time it’s not something you can force.
- 2. Kissing style:** The truth is, you’ve both probably kissed other people before, which means you have your own way of doing it. If your smooching techniques don’t match, it could

be a turn off!

**3. Aftermath:** Most of us think about “the first kiss” hours after it’s over. If you’re really unhappy with it, it may be a deal breaker.

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## Kevin Jonas and Wife Danielle Celebrate First Anniversary at Disney



This past Sunday marked the first wedding anniversary of pop star Kevin Jonas, and his wife Danielle. The couple celebrated their anniversary by visiting Walt Disney World’s Magic Kingdom in Florida. Jonas had some kind words to say for the occasion.

“Happy anniversary to my amazing wife of a year and for the

rest of my life I love you,” he wrote on Twitter. After a magical day at the theme park, the Jonases stayed in the Cinderella Castle Suite.

**What are some unique first anniversary celebration ideas?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

It can be frustrating to come up with things to do on your first anniversary, given that you want your special day to be memorable. If you are confused, Cupid has some suggestions to make your anniversary unforgettable:

**1. Romantic picnic:** Surprise your partner by planning a picnic in a location with a great view. The area you choose should create a beautiful backdrop for both of you to enjoy. Pack your picnic basket with your partner’s favorite foods. Relax and enjoy each other’s company.

**2. Vacation:** Surprise your significant other with a trip to a destination you’ve both been dying to visit. Spending some quality time as tourists may be just the answer.

**3. Walk down memory lane:** Revisit the special moments in your relationship by visiting all of your “first” locations. If you first kissed on a roller skating rink in middle school, relive the experience by getting back out there!

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**Advanced Clips: Bravo’s  
Millionaire Matchmaker**



Just because you are a millionaire, it doesn't mean you know how to use that money to dress right. Patti brings in the big guns, her favorite image consultant to help her client Matt look the part of a successful and interesting man as opposed to quirky and uptight. Also struggling with appropriate style, Patti's millionairess of the week Elena, doesn't mind showing a little (or rather, a LOT) of skin. Will Matt and Elena agree to play by Patti's rules and attract the right kind of date or will the two clients stick with the looks that have failed them in the past? Find out this **Tuesday 12/28 @9/8c on BRAVO's The Millionaire Matchmaker 4**

Changing the Image: Patti Stanger brings an image consultant to help this millionaire attract the right man.

How to Date an American: This millionairess from the former Soviet Union isn't too sure how to date an American.



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# Cupid Gears Up for the Next Season of ABC's 'The Bachelor' with Brad Womack!



By Krissy Dolor

This week may be the end of 2010, but come next Monday, ABC will kick off 2011 with a brand new season of its hit reality series, *The Bachelor* – and Cupid will be right there watching with you!

For the entire season, Cupid's Pulse will recap each episode of *The Bachelor* the morning after the show airs, offering a brief summary for those who missed it, as well as some critique of Brad Womack, this season's contestant, and the women vying for his heart. Cupid normally remains unbiased in



his advice, but since this is the first time a former star is returning for a second chance, we figure it's time for Cupid to spread his wings and take aim. And we want you all to be there for the ride.

So clear your Monday night schedules, set your DVR, or make sure you have a few hours of uninterrupted time to watch *The Bachelor* live when it airs. And be sure to check back the next morning for our take on each episode to see if your predictions match ours. Disagree? Feel free to comment or tweet us – we'd love to hear your reactions!

In the meantime, get your *Bachelor* fix by checking out Cupid's past posts on *The Bachelor* and *The Bachelorette*, and also take a look at our interview with David Good, winner of *Bachelor Pad*, the spin-off to ABC's romance-filled reality series. And check back later this week for a brief bio on Brad and this year's 30 – count 'em, THIRTY! – Bachelorette contestants!

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## Bret Michaels Proposes to Girlfriend of 16 Years on TV





Bret Michaels has finally found his rock of love. According to [People](#), after dating on and off for 16 years, Michaels proposed to girlfriend, Kristi Gibson on the finale of his VH1 reality show, *Bret Michaels: Life As I Know It* – and she said yes!

With two daughters, Raine, 10, and Jorja, 5, and Michael's brain hemorrhage in April, the happy couple have faced years by each other's sides. While proposing, Bret Michaels declared, "I love you, and you've been unbelievably a big part of my life...I know we love and respect each other, and I hope that we can find that inner love that we have forever."

**What are creative ways to propose for everyone to see?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Getting creative with a proposal is a bit tricky. Bret Michaels put it best when he said, "Please say yes, or the rejection will kill me right now." Cupid has some ideas to make it a public affair:

- 1. On a dinner cruise:** Get all your friends together for a dinner cruise on the closest river or lake that provides them. Splurge for a round of champagne, and pop the question for all of your friends to see.

**2. Family affair:** Throwing a summer barbecue or a holiday bash can be a great opportunity to propose. With family and friends in attendance, surprise your loved one by getting down on one knee in what will surely be a party remembered by all.

**3. The cheese factor:** Yes, this is your time to shine – but who says you can't borrow a move from the classics? Act out a scene from your beloved favorite romantic comedy, such as *Love Actually* and *Stepmom*. Involve those close to you to play the extra parts.