Jason Trawick Will Share Legal Control Over Britney Spears





Britney Spears' father is making an extra effort to bond with his future son-in-law in an unusual way. Jamie Spears is asking a court to add Jason Trawick as a co-conservator over his daughter, a source confirmed to <u>People</u>. Jamie Spears, who's has had legal control over his daughter's multimillion dollar fortune since February 2008 after the pop singer suffered a psychological breakdown, plans for Trawick to have shared legal control over his Spears's well being, but not her finances, according to the source. While a conservator can make decisions over a person's clothing, food and medical care, Spears will still have plenty of personal freedom.

How do you know when your spouse's parents have accepted you?

Cupid's Advice:

Being in love can be a wonderful feeling, and it's even better when you have your partner's parents blessing. Here are a few ways to tell when your spouse's parents have accepted you:

- 1. They enjoy your company: When your lover's parents are beating him or her to the punch when calling you to come over for game nights and family dinners, it sounds like you're a shoe-in and their parents would love to see their son or daughter settle down with someone like you.
- 2. They brag about you: Meeting your spouse's parents can be hard enough, but when you have to meet an entire family, that can definitely turn you into a nervous wreck. But, when your spouse's parents have bragged and told everyone what a wonderful person you are, that can easily remove about 10 pounds of nervous stress from your head.
- 3. You're introduced as their future son or daughter-in-law: This makes it official. You're no longer the "girlfriend" or "boyfriend" in their eyes; you're now the in-law. Whether or not you and your love are simply dating or are soon-to-be newlyweds, they hear wedding bells for you two and are already planning your wedding.

How did you tell when your spouse's parents accepted you? Share your comments below.

Why Celebrities Fall In and Out of Love So Quickly





By Whitney Baker

In recent years, the divorce rate in America has hovered around 50 percent, and in Hollywood, this statistic appears to be closer to 70 percent.

For some celebrity couples, rushing into a serious relationship or even marriage is no big deal; they can always break up or file for an annulment or divorce, knowing that their family, friends and fans will stand behind them. They are not held accountable by their vows, viewing any "easy way out" as an acceptable solution.

But why do so many Tinseltown twosomes approach romance with

such a wavering attitude, in such fleeting terms? Here are just a few reasons why some celebrity relationships change with the seasons:

1. Publicity: They say that all you need is love, but in the case of some celebrity relationships, all they want is publicity. And some celebrity couples continue to demand attention even after the break-up. Take Jon and Kate Gosselin, for example. The Jon & Kate Plus 8 stars are still garnering media attention for their failed marriage and exceptionally large family.

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2. Rushing things: Many celebrity couples mistake lust for love and rush into something too serious when they're still in the "get to know you" phase of their relationships. Beyond their own feelings, there may be outside pressure from family, friends and perhaps the media. For instance, Kim Kardashian's whirlwind romance with Kris Humphries lasted only 11 months, but included a made-for-television proposal, wedding and divorce. As this relationship's quick demise proved, infatuation can easily outweigh true love, but it doesn't last nearly as long.

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- 3. Time apart: Relationships require both time and effort to flourish. For celebrities, time together isn't always possible. Their busy schedules often keep them apart; such was the case with Katy Perry and Russell Brand. After only 14 months of marriage and a Christmas spent 7,000 miles apart, Brand filed for divorce. As celebrities focus on their individual careers, they fail to make the proper commitment to build a lasting and meaningful relationship.
- **4. Just because they can:** Among some celebrities (such as Britney Spears in her younger years and Brandi Glanville of

The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills fame), there's a sense that they can do anything they want. Spears married childhood friend Jason Alexander in a Las Vegas ceremony, only to have it annulled a mere 55 hours later. Glanville — a divorced mother of two — rushed into Las Vegas nuptials with a close friend on New Year's Eve. Calling it a "drunken BFF thing," she later admitted that they were just having fun.

5. Constant media attention: Sure, some celebrities fall in and out of love for publicity's sake, but on the opposite note, too much media hype can also lead to heartbreak. Back in 2003, Nick Lachey and Jessica Simpson seemed to be living a fairytale romance until MTV cameras invaded their home for the reality hit *Newlyweds: Nick and Jessica*. Similarly, Taylor Swift and Jake Gyllenhaal dated for only two months at the end of 2011 and sources blame the short-lived romance on aggressive media coverage.

Why do you think some celebrity romances don't last? Share your comments below.

Britney Spears and Jason Trawick Take a Secret Trip to San Francisco





Britney Spears and her fiance Jason Trawick took a private vacation to San Francisco away from the paparazzi and Spear's legal issues. According to *People*, Spears and Trawick stayed at the Westfield San Francisco Centre in the Extreme-Wow suite. A source said that the couple was very low-key and the getaway was just about the two of them.

What are some fun ways to spend time alone with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Spending alone time with your partner is important, but it can sometimes get boring. Here are a few fun ways to spend time alone with your significant other:

- 1. Play make believe: Book a hotel room or bed and breakfast in another city for some alone time where no one else knows the two of you. Pretend to be lovers in a secret relationship.
- 2. Take a road trip: A road trip can be a lot of fun. Full of sing alongs and junk food, it will bring the two of you closer.

3. Everyone loves a good game: Game night is the best way to spend some time alone with your partner without the mushy romantic factor. Whether it's a board game or watching a sport, you'll have a great time.

What are some fun ways that you spend time with your partner? Share your comments below.

Celebrity Weddings: 5 Famous Couples That Said 'I Do' in Vegas





What's the first thing you think of when someone says Sin City? Okay, after legalized prostitution. That's right: quickie Vegas weddings in chapels illuminated with neon lights. The fact is, Las Vegas issues approximately 100,000 marriage licenses each year and boasts almost as many wedding chapels as it does casinos. For famous couples, those quickie celebrity weddings are typically followed by quickie divorces and embarrassing publicity. Vegas' abundance of 24-hour bars makes us wonder if some of our favorite celebs were under the influence of something other than love when they tied the knot, Vegas-style. Here are a few examples:

Famous Couples That Married in Vegas

1. Kelly Ripa and Mark Consuelos: In 1996, former soap star and current television host Kelly Ripa married actor Mark Consuelos at the Chapel of the Bells in Las Vegas. Sixteen years and three children later, this happy married celebrity couple proves Vegas weddings can sometimes stick!

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- 2. Angelina Jolie and Billy Bob Thornton: In 2000, actress Angelina Jolie and actor/writer Billy Bob Thornton wed at The Little Church of the West on the Las Vegas Strip. The famous couple called it quits after two years of marriage with Jolie petitioning for divorce, citing "irreconcilable differences." It was Jolie's second marriage and Thornton's fifth.
- **3. Britney Spears and Jason Alexander:** In 2004, pop star Britney Spears wed longtime friend Jason Alexander at a 24-hour wedding chapel. Apparently, Spears forgot to grab a prenup on the way to the chapel. meaning that this stunt could

have cost her a lot more than a little public backlash. 55 hours later, Alexander signed annulment papers and took an economy class flight home. During a subsequent interview with MTV's *Total Request Live*, Spears said Vegas "took her over" and admitted that "things got out of hand."

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4. Pamela Anderson and Rick Salomon: In 2007, Rick Salomon, who famously co-starred in the leaked Paris Hilton sex tape *One Night in Paris*, and actress Pamela Anderson tied the proverbial knot at Las Vegas' Mirage Hotel, making this the third celebrity marriage for both Salomon and Anderson. However, Salomon and Anderson's 15-year friendship did not translate into a successful union. Two months later, the famous couple's marriage was annulled in Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Celebrity Love Has No Age Limit

5. Doug Hutchison and Courtney Stodden: In 2011, actor Doug Hutchison married aspiring singer Courtney Stodden at Las Vegas' Little Chapel of Flowers. The groom was 51 years old, and, at only 16, the bride was probably still learning to operate a motor vehicle. Despite Stodden's age, the celebrity marriage is legal. Under Nevada law, a person who is at least 16 years of age but is not yet 18 years old can marry with parental consent — and Stodden's parents consented to the marriage. "We all need a good man in our lives," her mom Krista told Fox411.com. "True love can be ageless," Hutchinson told E! News in response to the controversy surrounding the celebrity couples' age difference.

Would you get married in Vegas? Share your comments below.

4 Wedding Styles of the Rich and Famous





By Lauren Martina, ASID and Katherine Shell Benson

When it comes to upcoming trends, we can guarantee that the hottest engaged celebrity couples will be showcasing the latest and greatest. In fact, we had so much fun pairing the most talked about celebrity brides-to-be with the wedding styles that everyone is talking about! Here's our forecast for what we think we will see in 2012!

Anne Hathaway: When we think of Anne Hathaway, we think of vintage elegance. Between her classic fashion style and the

grace she exudes each time she walks out of her door, we believe that a *Vintage Elegance* wedding is what fits her best. Although her wedding will be in NYC, this very popular style can be scaled up and used in any setting from penthouse rooftops to grand hotel ballrooms.

Jessica Simpson: Very Southern and hand done outdoor weddings are huge right now and are not going away any time soon. One of the things we love about Jessica Simpson is that she is authentic, and this is the type of wedding we can see her having this time around ... very intimate, Southern and hands on.

Britney Spears: Although this is not her first rodeo, we believe she has found the one this time! With two adorable boys, and the reputation of sometimes going against the grain (which isn't so bad sometimes when an electric razor isn't involved), we can't imagine Ms. Spears in a traditional white dress. This is why we are pairing her in a colored Vera Wang dress, which is one of 2012's hottest trends.

Jessica Biel: Luxe Weddings are all the rage right now, and if you go to any Canadian wedding source (Canada is always a step ahead when it comes to wedding trends), you will see what we mean. Who better to have one than Jessica Biel? We envision her wedding very luxe with champagne and gold trims, acanthus leaves and lots of layered texture. We can see her and Justin Timberlake with this fabulous Luxe cake from The Cake Opera Co. Love this!

For more of the hottest trends and wedding day ideas, come see us on our blog at www.bellabaxterevents.com/blog.

5 Celebrity Couples Who Should Rekindle Their Romance





By Samantha Mucha

There are some things in life that go together like peanut butter and jelly or a refreshing glass of lemonade on a hot summer day. Some of our favorite celebrity couples compliment each other in the same way. Although many of our most loved duos have split and moved on, there's no shame in wishing they would reunite. Think way back to Britney Spears and Justin Timberlake; they always seemed like the perfect couple on "The Mickey Mouse Club." What would life be like if all of our favorite Hollywood couples got back together? Here are a few Tinseltown twosomes we would love to see respark their old flames:

1. Jennifer Aniston and Brad Pitt: So maybe Pitt allegedly cheated on Aniston, but who didn't love them together? This seemingly perfect blonde couple seemed as if they were going to live happily ever after, but that changed once Pitt filmed Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and Angelina Jolie stepped into the picture. Both Pitt and Aniston denied that Jolie was the reason for their divorce filing in 2005.

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- 2. Jennifer Lopez and Marc Anthony: A recent split for this dynamic duo came as a surprise to most. With such high intensity careers, however, it was almost expected that the couple would eventually butt heads. Although Lopez approves of Anthony's new girlfriend, it's simply not possible to replace this previously successful and passionate couple.
- 3. Demi Moore and Bruce Willis: This former duo's divorce came as a shock to the public. The pair had three children and a seemingly happy marriage, so a separation seemed almost impossible. After over 10 years of marriage, though, the couple agreed to divorce without disclosing a reason and came to a fair settlement. They're close friends to this day.

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- 4. Jessica Simpson and Nick Lachey: With this pair, a reality television series had no positive outcome other than revenue. According to People, Joe Simpson, Jessica's father and manager said, "Do they fight? Hell yes, they fight. Have there been moments when Nick has wanted to leave Jessica or Jess has wanted to leave Nick? Absolutely." Their reality show, "Newlyweds," was a first of its kind, allowing a look into celebrity marriage bliss; but apparently the show falsely depicted the couple. Life on the show appeared happy, but behind the scenes, these two were arguing to the point of demise.
- 5. Britney Spears and Justin Timberlake: This former young

couple met as members of "The Mickey Mouse Club" in front of the cameras as teenagers. After three years of dating, it seemed that Spears and Timberlake were meant for each other. Unfortunately, fame and fortune took a toll on their relationship, as they battled drama sparked by rumors.

What other celebrity couples do you think should rekindle their romances? Share your thoughts below.

How to Deal with Online Dating Rejection





By Debbie Lamedman

When you're dating online, you never know to whom you're talking. It's a voice in the dark. All you see is someone's profile and a picture, and if you contact them and there's no response, you move on. It's a rejection, but there's no reason to take it personally. How can you when the person you've attempted to contact doesn't even know you? Well, that's easier said than done.

Britney Spears recently got engaged again, this time to Jason Trawick. You can bet that she dealt with rejection upon the termination of all of her previous relationships, but she is persevering. People get rejected right and left, especially when they date online. If you start to let it get to you, it will take a toll. It becomes more difficult when you've actually made contact with the person and suddenly that contact between you ceases. This happens often, and there is logical reason for it. You can make up stories about why the person stopped returning your emails after many lively conversations, but you will never know the real reason unless they reappear in your inbox. You never know what's going on in someone else's life, and you never know what someone's motivation is for starting to date online. That said, there are definitely ways to deal with rejection.

Unfortunately, we saw Spears' downfall and witnessed her reactions to rejection from many people in her life. To avoid crashing into depression, you must learn to maintain a certain level of detachment while your online relationship evolves. This may sound harsh, but people take off as often as they stick around, so protect yourself, your heart and your selfesteem.

No one likes feeling rejected. If you've never met your date in person, you can't take their rejection personally. Unfortunately, people tend to judge others for the smallest things. If it was something about the way you looked in your photo, or something you said in your profile that turned the other person off, so be it. You can't please everyone.

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Take online dating rejection lightly, and move on. After all, there are plenty more matches where they came from. People you meet online will fall by the wayside, leaving you with the room and opportunity to meet quality people who deserve your time and attention. If you've met your online date in person and things don't work out, there's no reason to take that to heart either. Just go back online, and keep hunting!

Britney Spears and Jason Trawick Get Engaged





Britney Spears has had a turbulent few years. This month, however, she has a lot to celebrate. Aside from celebrating her 30th birthday, recent reports have confirmed that the pop princess is now engaged to Jason Trawick. According to <u>People</u>, Trawick proposed on his birthday Thursday night in Los Angeles. After giving him tons of birthday gifts and having cake together, Spears was surprised to get a surprise of her own in the form of a Neil Lane sparkly engagement ring. According to sources close to the couple, the two are very happy and have been talking about marriage for a while now.

What are some unique ways to celebrate a recent engagement?

Cupid's Advice: The holidays may be a time to celebrate, but an engagement can be just as much if not even more exciting. No matter if you are getting your friends and family together for a big party or just having a private celebration. Here's how to make it a festive occasion:

1. Vegas trip: You don't have to get married in Vegas to have

fun there with your spouse-to-be. Stay at the Bellagio, and watch the fountains burst into the night air together.

- 2. Show off the ring: Facebook, Twitter and other social media sites provide you with the means to share pictures of your ring with everyone in your network instantly. Make them jealous.
- **3. Pop champagne:** A celebratory bottle of bubbly is perfect of either a romantic dinner for two or a large celebration.

How do you plan on celebrating your engagement? Share your ideas below.

Britney Spears Spends 30th Birthday Ice Skating With Jason Trawick





Britney Spears celebrated her 30th birthday on the ice, reports <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The singer and her boyfriend, Jason Trawick, took a break from Spears' South American tour and went ice skating at a rink in Houston. Spears and Trawick started working together five years ago and started dating in 2009. "Jason is just amazing with [son Jayden and Sean]," said Spears. "They look up to him so much — they adore him. He's their hero."

What are some ways to make your partner's birthday special?

Cupid's Advice:

Birthdays can be especially memorable when they're spent with a partner. Here are a few ways to make your partner's birthday special:

- 1. Throw a party: If your partner is outgoing and social, throwing a party is a great way to make their birthday memorable. A surprise party could be even more exciting.
- 2. Invite their friends: Even though the two of you may share many mutual friends, your partner will be ecstatic if their

friends are invited. Plus, it's a thoughtful gesture.

3. Plan some alone time: If you and your partner spend the day with friends and family, remember to set aside some alone time after the day's events. Your mate will finally be able to relax after a day of activity.

Have you done anything special for your partner's birthday? Feel free to share in a comment below.

Sources Say Jason Trawick Is Ready to Pop the Question to Britney Spears





It's Britney Spears' birthday, and what better present can she receive than her long term boyfriend and former assistant Jason Trawick proposing marriage to her? Well, according to sources, this very well may happen. "They've been talking about marriage for a long time, it would be surprising if they are not engaged by the end of the year," said the sources, according to <u>People</u>. It's no secret that Britney Spears has had one crazy ride through life, but her shaved head days seem to be officially behind her.

What are ways to tell your boyfriend is getting ready to pop the question?

Cupid's Advice:

For many couples, marriage is the next exciting chapter in their lives. Before the wedding, however, comes the engagement, and before that comes popping the question. Proposing marriage is probably the most angst-ridden thing a man (or sometimes woman) goes through. Here are some ways to tell that your partner is gearing up to ask for your hand in marriage:

- 1. He gets giddy around you: All of sudden your boyfriend has become somewhat shy around you. He says "I love you" more often and seems to need your affection. He's given up on the tough guy persona, and is now showing you a softer side that is more opened to PDA.
- 2. You spend more quality time together: Your guy seems to be spending more time with you. Forget about poker nights with the boys. He'd rather be in bed with you watching a rom-com.
- 3. He's planning for the future: You know how guys always say they live day by day, while girls tend to think about the long run? Well, now he has his calendar out and is planning Christmas with your parents. Gone out the days he had a commitment phobia.

How did you know your man was getting ready to pop the question? Share your experiences below.

Rumor: Britney Spears Could Be Engaged After Her Tour Ends





Apparently three times really may be the charm in this case. Britney Spears may be walking down the isle with her boyfriend and manager, Jason Trawick. Rumor has it that when Spears wraps up her Femme Fatale tour, Trawick will finally pop the big question after years of dating. According to RadarOnline, Spears is under a conservetorship, which simply means her father is in charge of her financial assets and well being. If Spears decides to get married, her father's lawyer will have to sign off on the union. Spear's family and two sons, Sean Preston and Jayden James, love Trawick and can't wait for him to join the family.

How do you know when to pop the question?

Cupid's Advice:

Proposing can be nerve racking, no matter how long you've been dating your partner. Fear of rejection and long time commitment can put an engagement on hold. Here are some ways to know you're ready:

1. Family: If your family is crazy about your partner, then he

or she is likely a keeper. Do either of you have children? If you have already begun to raise kids as a team, it might be time to make it official.

- 2. You find yourself looking at rings: Talking about marriage and kids is one thing, but actually window shopping or surfing the net for a ring may mean that your ready to take the next step in your relationship.
- 3. Commitment: An engagement means a commitment to each other, and the ring lets other men and women know that your partner is happily taken. Some couples decide to stay engaged and forget marriage, while others enjoy a long engagement before sealing the deal. Whatever you and your partner choose, if you're in love and ready to make a commitment, its time to pop the question.

When did you know it was time to ask, "will you marry me?" Share your experiences below.

Celebrity Couples Who Could Use An Extra Hour of Sleep





By Melissa Tierney

Whether we like to believe it or not, celebrities are just like us. They have hectic work schedules, grueling chores, and, of course, families to take care of. These five celebrity couples have been keeping busy with their growing families, their newest endeavors, and their constant presence in the spotlight. Yes, maybe they have nannies, assistants and personal trainers, but these celebs could definitely use an extra hour of sleep like the rest of us!

- 1. Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon: Between building their corporate empires by launching a clothing and accessories line, going on comedy tours, and recording hit songs with major celebs like Nicki Minah, the pop diva and radio talk show host have been keeping busy. It's now even tougher for the two to have a romantic night to themselves: they have newborn twins, son Moroccan Scott Cannon and daughter Monroe Cannon, which they welcomed into the world on their anniversary!
- 2. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries: This couple have been

grabbing media attention everywhere. With their recently announced divorce filing we wonder if it was all for the cameras? After all, Kim and her NBA beau Kris Humphries had almost as much buzz about their wedding as did the royal wedding between newlyweds Kate Middleton and Prince William. Although Kim filed for divorce only 72 days after the marriage, Kris says he hopes to reconcile.

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- 3. Britney Spears and Jason Trawick: The pop princess and her former manager may have ended things career-wise, but their love life is still feeling the spark. Spears is busy with her Femme Fatale tour with rap singer Nicki Minaj, but she still has time to show her love for her beau. He was lucky enough to be in the center of the action on August 2nd when he was pulled on stage in Uniondale, NY by his talented honey. In addition to resurrecting her career, she is also caring for sons Jayden James and Sean Preston. This mommy definitely needs some downtime.
- 4. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick: Over the years, these love birds have remained rock solid and are keeping busy raising their twins, Marion Loretta Elwell and Tabitha Hodge, and son James Wilkie. The fashion icon and actress has been maintaining a hectic work schedule, gracing covers of magazines and promoting her new movie I Don't Know How She Does It, in which she plays busy mom, Kate Reddy, who is trying to stay afloat with her finance career and busy family life. Looks like the movies are imitating real life when it comes to Sarah Jessica Parker!

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5. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie: Between their six kids, acting gigs and philanthropic engagements, this duo does it

all. Pitt recently starred in the blockbuster baseball movie, Moneyball, with Jonah Hill, and Jolie has been busy with her film directorial debut, In the Land of Blood and Honey. She is also the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Goodwill Ambassador when she's not directing/acting/mothering. This power couple definitely needs to catch up on some z's.

Which celebrity couples do you feel need an extra hour of sleep? Share your thoughts below!

Celebrity Couples We Can't Wait to See at MTV's VMAs





From Britney Spears to Nicki Minaj, this year's MTV Video Music Award (VMA) nominees are teeming with A-list music stars. The three top contenders include Katy Perry, with nine nods (the most of any performer this year), and Adele and Kanye West, both with seven nominations each. While it will be exciting to see which stars take home a trophy for their designated categories, we're also eager to see which of our favorite celebrity couples will attend. Although we won't know for sure who will show up to the VMAs until Sunday, Aug. 28, here are five celebrity couples we hope make an appearance:

- 1. Beyoncé Knowles and Jay-Z: Listed as the "most powerful couple" for TIME magazine's "100 Most Influential People" in 2006, the duo dated for six years before secretly getting married in 2008. OK Magazine reported that "the couple is very supportive of one another making sure to attend performances and appearances together." That means we can definitely count on them to arrive together, since Beyoncé is up for a nomination, right?
- 2. Britney Spears and Jason Trawick: Although these two love birds have made many public appearances together, the first time they stepped out as a couple was at the St. Bernard Project Event in May, 2011. Spears' relationship with Trawick seems to be getting serious, but now the question is whether he'll attend the VMAs to support his pop singer lady, or not?
- 3. Katy Perry and Russell Brand: In May, 2011, comedian Russell Brand visited Japan to see his wife perform, but unfortunately, he was deported due to criminal incidences that happened more than a decade ago. Distraught with the news, the *Firework* singer tweeted, "So…my husband just got deported from Japan. I am so sad." Don't worry, Katy. Since the VMAs take place in L.A. this year, your hubby should have no

problem attending. After all, how could he miss the opportunity when you have the most nominations?

- 4. Selena Gomez and Justin Bieber: The teen heartthrob and the Wizards of Waverly Place beauty were set up on a date by her mother and his management team at the end of last year. In an interview with Seventeen magazine, the 18-year-old Disney star admitted that she is head over heels for Bieber, and the pair were even seen exchanging 'I Love You's' while shopping in New York City last month. This year, they attended many award shows together, including the Oscars, the ESPY Awards show, and the Billboard Music Awards. Let's just hope they won't miss out on this one.
- **5. Lady Gaga and Luc Carl:** The mother monster credits her boyfriend for helping her become "successful" in the music industry. Last year, she told *Rolling Stone*, "I've really never loved anyone like I loved him. Or like I love him." Despite break-up rumors, hopefully her supportive boyfriend will be by her side to cheer her on at the VMAs.

Who did we forget? Anyone you'd like to see? Let us know in a comment below. Don't forget to tune into MTV on Sunday, Aug. 28 at 9 p.m. ET. For a complete list of nominations, visit MTV.

Kevin Federline Is a Dad Again





Happy day! Kevin Federline is a father again, according to <u>People</u>. The former backup dancer and onetime rapper welcomed his fifth child, daughter, Jordan Kay, at 6:33 p.m. on Monday. This is the first child for his girlfriend, Victoria Prince. Federline, 33, and Prince, 28, a former competitive volleyball player from Washington State, began dating toward the end of 2008. Federline is also father to sons Jayden, 4 and 1/2, and Preston, 5 and 1/2, with ex-wife Britney Spears and son Kaleb, 7, and daughter, Kori, 10, with ex-girlfriend Shar Jackson.

How do you explain your broken relationships to your children?

Cupid's Advice:

The best thing you can do is be upfront and honest with your children. Cupid has some tips:

1. Honesty is the key: Situations are always a lot easier when you are honest with yourself and others. No matter what age, just be honest with your children. Let them know that nobody is perfect and everyone makes mistakes. Also, just because your past relationships didn't work out, it doesn't mean they

were all bad experiences. Let them know that.

- 2. Don't play the blame game: Be sure to admit to your faults. Teach your kids that right is right and wrong is wrong. Don't make it seem like it's all the other person's fault, when it most likely wasn't. A relationship consists of two people and each has their own issues.
- **3. Reassure them:** Tell your children that you don't plan on making the same mistakes again. Then, show them through your actions that you're serious about that statement.

How did you explain your broken relationships to your children? Share in a comment below.

Why Kourtney Kardashian and Scott Disick Don't Need to Get Married





By Brea Gunn

Okay, okay...I'll admit it. I'm a reality TV junkie. I LOVE watching the train wrecks, drama, and outright ridiculousness that has become entertainment. Sometimes, though, a show truly hits a chord. I was watching Keeping Up With the Kardashians and stumbled upon the episode where Kris is pushing Kourtney and Scott to get married ... But they don't want to tie the knot.

This may seem strange to you, but it really irked me that their mom, Kris, was pushing the issue. Now, I'm all about weddings. It's what I love to write about, talk about and blog about, but sometimes weddings are not the best thing. Take Kourtney and Scott, for example. If her mom wants a commitment, why not have a commitment ceremony instead of a wedding? You can still have the dress, the big bash and the DJ without ending up with a legally binding piece of paper.

Take a look at some other celebs that have kids and aren't married ... Johnny Depp (together with his partner for more than 10 years, he has 2 kids) and Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie

(together for more than 5 years and they have six (right?) kids) ... And both couples are very comfortable in their relationships.

And then there are the celebrities that have gotten married after they have kids, like Ashlee Simpson and Pete Wentz, and Britney Spears and Kevin Federline. Now, they're separated or divorced.

So where's the middle ground? And more importantly, what does any of this have to do with us 'normal' people? I think that weddings are fantastic, and I love every single one of them, but they're truly not for everyone, as I think the Kardashians (among others) have shown us. So when do you know it's right?

If you can't imagine the rest of your life without your love's best and WORST features, then (more than likely) you're probably on the right track with the wedding plans. But if you're happy being your semi-single self, consider a commitment ceremony or party to celebrate a milestone year in your relationship instead.

Sure, Mom may be upset (even famous moms want to plan their daughter's weddings), but I think that if you sit down with her (do not take a page from Kourtney on this one) and calmly explain your choice, then chances are she'll be on board ... especially if you let her plan a party.

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Celebrity Breakups: Who Burned Who?





By Tanni Deb

Celebrities might seem like they have it all — a successful career, beautiful looks and a significant other who everyone runs after. Though their lives may appear perfect, don't be fooled by the glitz and glamour of Hollywood's shine. We all know that some romances don't last, and the following pairs are no exception. Here are five celebrities who were bitten by the cheating bug — and then burned by their former flame:

1. Britney Spears and Justin Timberlake: Timberlake admitted to falling in love with Spears when they first met on the set of *The Mickey Mouse Club* in 1993. "I was infatuated with her

from the moment I saw her," he told CBS News. The couple started dating five years later, but ended their relationship in 2002 when Spears allegedly cheated on Timberlake with choreographer Wade Robson. Shortly after their split, Timberlake released 'Cry Me A River,' a revenge song for Spears. However, the N'Sync singer later told MTV, "The song is not about her. The video is about me."

- 2. Meg Ryan and Dennis Quaid: This actor pair divorced after she was caught cheating with Russell Crowe while filming Proof of Life in 2000. She used Quaid's infidelity to explain her own actions and accused him of adultery throughout their marriage. Quaid fought back and said, "It was eight years ago, and I find it unbelievable that Meg continues publicly to rehash and rewrite the story of our relationship." Although Quaid and Crowe both have new loves in their lives, the You've Got Mail star remains single.
- 3. Valerie Bertinelli and Eddie Van Halen: Bertinelli revealed to Oprah Winfrey in 2008 that she and her ex-husband cheated on each other. "He claims to this day that I cheated first, but I don't know," she said. "I don't know about the timing." Although their 25-year marriage ended in 2006, they remain friends. Bertinelli even attended Van Halen's wedding to Janie Liszewski in 2009.
- 4. Elizabeth Edwards and John Edwards: When John Edwards admitted to having an affair, his wife Elizabeth Edwards got the ultimate revenge. In her will, which was released on January 2011, she left all of her possessions to her children. Well, can you really blame her? After all, who bothers leaving something to their cheating spouse?
- **5. LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian:** This couple is a double whammy. Rimes not only ruined her own marriage, but also Cibrian's, as the couple cheated on their spouses with each other while filming *Northern Lights*. They eventually tied the knot this year, despite rumors about Cibrian cheating on Rimes

with his estranged wife. The saying "once a cheater, always a cheater" comes to mind in this situation.

Have a couple in mind who didn't make this list? Let us know in a comment below!

5 Celebrity Couples We Want to Reunite





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We've all had a moment when we've stared wide eyed in utter shock at the TV screen after finding out our favorite celebrity couple has split, trying to figure out what went wrong. After all, this pair seemed to be in such a happy relationship!

There will always be famous duos that we think about months (or ever years!) down the line, wondering if they'll ever reconcile. While the possibility may be a long shot, no one can help wishful thinking. With that said, here are five celebrity couples we would like to reunite:

- 1. Britney Spears and Justin Timberlake: The famous singers first met in 1993 on the sets of *The Mickey Mouse Club* and began dating five years later. They were everyone's favorite celebrity couple in the late 90's, but their relationship ended in 2002. After their breakup, Timberlake released 'Cry Me A River,' a revenge song for Ms. Spears herself. As much as everyone loved this musical duo it doesn't seem like they'll ever get back together romantically, at least. We can hope for a musical collaboration, right?
- 2. Jessica Simpson and Nick Lachey: Although wedding bells are ringing for both performers, who wouldn't like this aesthetically pleasing couple to reunite? The pair met in 1998 and within weeks of meeting each other, Lachey told his 98 Degrees band members Simpson would be his future bride. He proposed in 2002 and the marriage lasted for three years. Could Newlyweds, MTV's reality show which aired the couple's married life, be to blame?
- 3. Reese Witherspoon and Ryan Phillippe: This blonde coupling were married for seven year when they split in 2006. While they seemed to have a successful relationship, they spoke openly about having to work on their marriage, and underwent couples therapy in 2002. Despite Witherspoon's recent nuptials, we can't stop thinking of what a beautiful couple she and Phillippe made.
- 4. Scarlett Johansson and Ryan Reynolds: After only two years of marriage, the pair called it quits in 2010. Rumor had it

that Reynolds had an affair with *Gossip Girl* star Blake Lively, and Us Weekly reported that he told friends Johansson "treated him badly." Though the *Lost in Translation* actress has certainly moved on, we wonder if she and her ex-husband will ever reconcile.

5. Courteney Cox and David Arquette: They fell in love on the set of *Scream* in the mid-90s, tied the knot in 1999, had their first child in 2004 and then shocked the world when they announced their separation in 2010. However, the couple isn't giving up, as they're currently undergoing marriage counseling. We wish these two the best of luck!

These are just a few of the many celebrity couples we'd love to see together again. Which celebrity do *you* want to see back with their ex? Let us know in a comment below!

Kevin Federline and Girlfriend Are Expecting A Girl





Kevin Federline and girlfriend Victoria Prince just announced that they are expecting a baby girl, according to <code>USMagazine.com</code>. Prince, 28, and Federline, 33, are excited and have already decided that they are going to name their daughter Jordan. According to Federline, Prince has always said that if they had a girl she wanted to name her Jordan, and then both Federline and Prince decided that even if they had a boy they would stick with the name Jordan because it fits both ways. A source close to Britney Spears, Kevin Federline's ex-wife and mother of two of his four children, said that she is "Happy for him and knows he is a good dad." Preston, 5 and Jayden, 4 are said to be "super excited" about the big announcement. As for Federline and Prince, they can't wait!

What should you do if you can't agree on a baby name?

Cupid's Advice:

The problem with choosing a baby name is that there's no telling why some people like a name and others don't. It's all about opinion and feeling, which can make things difficult. Cupid's got some things to consider:

- 1. Check out some books: Baby name books offer great suggestions for possible names and with thousands to choose from you and your significant other are bound to agree on one of them.
- 2. Ask your friends and family: If you and your significant other can't seem to agree on a baby name maybe it's time to turn to the ones you love and hear what they have to say. The more people you ask, the more options you will have and it will make making a decision that much easier.
- 3. Have a focus group: Ok, so maybe this isn't the most reasonable option, but on the trailer for the new series "Pregnant in Heels", Rosie Pope (a maternity concierge) set up a focus group for one of her client's in order to choose a baby name. For a more realistic version of this, why not put a poll on Twitter or Facebook and see what feedback you get.

Britney Spears and Jason Trawick Take Her Boys to Las Vegas





A week after her performance at Palms Casino Resort's Rain Nightclub, Britney Spears spent time with her boyfriend, Jason Trawick, and her two boys in Las Vegas. The four dined in a private dining room at Nove Italiano. According to <u>People</u>, a source said, "Britney was very quiet ... but her kids were very nice and looked great."

Is Vegas a good vacation spot for kids?

Cupid's Advice:

Vacationing in Las Vegas, especially with your significant other, can be fun. But if you're planning a family vacation there and are unsure if it'll be an ideal place to take your children, consider the following tips:

- 1. **Destination:** Most importantly, it depends on exactly where you're going in Vegas. If you'll spend most of your time in casinos and nightclubs, you're better off leaving your children at home.
- 2. Research: There are plenty of activities for kids in Vegas. Pools and rides are just two options. This way your children

also have something to get excited about.

3. Age: If your children are infants, it might not be the best time to take them to Las Vegas, especially considering how crazy it can get there. Find a babysitter or wait a few years to explore all that Sin City has to offer.

Shar Jackson Speaks Out About Federline's Girlfriend's Pregnancy





Shar Jackson has nothing, but wonderful wishes for Kevin Federline and the child he is expecting with girlfriend, Victoria Prince. This will be baby number five for Federline. The former backup dancer has an 8-year-old daughter and a 6-year-old son with Jackson. However, he is best know for being the controversial father figure to 5-year-old Sean Preston and 4-year-old Jayden James, the children he has with ex-wife, Britney Spears. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Federline insists things are better now between him and the pop star after their custody battle in 2007.

How do you deal with your ex having kids with someone else?

Cupid's Advice:

Finding out that your ex is having a child with someone else can bring up a slew of emotions. Cupid has some ways to deal:

- 1. Be happy: Children are always a blessing. No matter what happened between you and your ex, be happy that they are being given such a precious gift.
- 2. Focus on your own life: Your ex having children with someone else can bring out sad feelings, especially if you wish you were the one having the children. These feelings are completely understandable, but try to focus on things you do have in your life, instead of what you don't have.
- **3. Send a gift:** Baby clothes are probably the cutest things ever! It's always fun to pick them out.

Britney Spears Seen with Jason Trawick and Kevin Federline





Britney Spears reunited with her ex-husband, Kevin Federline, while attending their son Preston's Little League game on Saturday. Spears, 29, arrived to the event with her current boyfriend, Jason Trawick, and her 4-year-old son, Jayden. According to RadarOnline, a witness saw talent agent Trawick approach Federline, who was one of the team's coaches, to congratulate him. Spears seemed happy and after the game, she and all her men left together.

How do you keep things civil between your ex and new partner?

Cupid's Advice:

There was once a time you shared your life with your now-ex. It may now be over, but keeping things civil between your ex and your new partner is crucial. Cupid offers a few tips to do just that:

- 1. Don't cling to the past: It all starts with you. Don't continuously talk about your past relationship. Your mate will not appreciate it, and his or her dislike for your ex will deepen.
- 2. Reassurance: Reassure your current partner that things are completely over with your ex, so he or she won't feel threatened.
- 3. Spend time together: It might seem awkward at first, but attend an event with your partner and invite your ex and his or her new mate (if there is one) to be there, too.

Britney Spears Says She Has a 'Normal' Relationship With Jason Trawick





While most people are sitting around imagining the celebrity lifestyle as wild and crazy, Britney Spears is getting coffee with boyfriend Jason Trawick. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Spears told Ryan Seacrest that her and Trawick's life "isn't that crazy" on his KIIS-FM radio show this past Friday. "We're really normal," the 29-year-old pop sensation insisted. "We work out a lot. We love to work out. We do stuff together like that. We take walks." The couple has been together since early 2009 and continue to enjoy each other's company ... even when Trawick is 'kicking her butt' in cardio.

What are some everyday things you can do with your partner?

Cupid's Advice:

Some people think you need to constantly 'one up' your previous date to keep a relationship interesting. On the contrary, Cupid thought of a few everyday activities that are just as special:

1. Walk together: Whether you walk to get in shape, to get to work or just to enjoy the weather, you can be doing so with

your partner. It's a great way to just enjoy each other's company for an extended period of time, while relaxing and breathing fresh air.

- 2. Eat together: At the very least, share meals! There's no reason you can't dedicate at least one meal per day to your significant other. This will give you both a chance to compare days.
- 3. Watch together: Don't you just hate when everyone's talking about a movie or TV show that you haven't seen yet? Well, instead of looking at it as an experience you're missing out on, look at it as a suggestion for you and your beau's Friday night! It gives you something to talk about in addition to something to enjoy.

Britney Spears and Jason Trawick Vacation in Mexico





Britney Spears' boyfriend, Jason Trawick surprised the pop star with a romantic trip to Mexico for her birthday. The couple touched down in Puerto Vallarta and headed to their private villa, where Trawick had a red velvet cake all ready for his sweetie's 29th birthday celebration. Despite allegations that Trawick had abused Spears, the couple was happy during the weekend vacation. "They suntanned and did a lot of relaxing and decompressing," says a source. "They seemed very much in love."

How can you make your partner's birthday special?

Cupid's Advice:

Most people can't afford an extravagant trip to Mexico and a beachside bungalow complete with personal chef like Jason Trawick and Britney Spears. Cupid has some advice on more affordable options:

1. Make it personal: Just like Jason Trawick topped off his lavish present with Britney Spears' favorite cake, you can make your sweetheart's day by doing something that reminds him

of your relationship. Think of a song, movie, or experience the two of you shared, and build a present on that idea.

- 2. Put in the time: A little effort can go a long way. Put a lot of thought into your present, but don't stress yourself out to execute it. By putting too much pressure on making it perfect, you'll only annoy yourself and everyone around you.
- **3. Collaborate:** Unlike an anniversary, a birthday isn't just about your relationship, so work with your partner's friends and family to plan a celebration where the guest of honor can be surrounded by all those that care about him.

Did Jason Trawick Abuse Britney Spears?





Britney Spears is lashing back at the multiple sources spreading the rumor that she was physically abused by her boyfriend, Jason Trawick. The rumor stemmed from Spears' exhusband, Jason Alexander. According to <u>People</u>, the 29-year-old pop sensation is strongly appalled by this piece of news. She doesn't seem to be letting it get to her, though, because she is "off on a romantic weekend with Jason for my birthday. xoxo Brit," the star said via Twitter.

How can you tell if your partner is emotionally abusive?

Cupid's Advice:

Although Britney Spears maintains that she's not in an emotionally or physically abusive relationship, many people aren't so lucky. In fact, some of them don't even know it. Cupid has some ways to tell if you're in an emotionally abusive relationship:

1. They never take the blame: There's one thing all abusers have in common: they always play the victim. No matter what happens, an abusive partner will never take blame for anything

that goes wrong in the relationship. If you find problems constantly being *your fault* in the relationship, maybe it's time you looked into a more healthy romance.

- 2. They always take control: An emotionally abusive partner lusts for control. He may be kind, loving, and well-respected to the common eye, but behind closed doors he's constantly judging your every move. Get out while you still can.
- **3. They constantly isolate you:** Your partner wants you all to himself. It may even mean saying goodbye to family, friends, and co-workers because your abusive mate will eventually demand all of your free time.