Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez Slow It Down





After finding love on the reality TV hit, *The Bachelorette*, Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez announced that they planned to elope. Though still head over heels for one another, the happy couple has decided not to tie the knot immediately. As Fedotowsky recently told *People*, "Nothing has changed — we're still just as happy as we were when we were finished [with the show]; we were so excited. We were like, 'Oh, we're going to get married right away.' But if you're rushing because you're in love, why rush? [Just] wait. You're going to get married anyway. We're both sort of enjoying life." The soon-to-be newlyweds have moved to San Diego together and are considering wedding venues on the west coast. Why is it important to take things slow?

Cupid's Advice:

Taking things slow or slowing things down doesn't mean you are any less in love. Couples who mutually decide to jog to the alter instead of running there are simply doing what they feel is best for them:

- 1. Only fools rush in: Just because you're in love doesn't mean you have to walk down the aisle tomorrow. Take the time to enjoy each other's company and plan your dream wedding. This moment should only happen once.
- 2. You know best when the time is right: Your gut feeling is almost always correct. If the only rationale you have for taking it slow is that making the next move doesn't feel right, trust yourself. There's probably a reason you're internally hesitating.
- **3. Love knows no schedule:** Don't let anyone tell you or your partner that it's time to get married or move in together. There are no deadlines when it comes to love.

TLC's Sister Wives & Hubby Under Investigation





No matter what your take is on TLC's reality series Sister Wives, there is no doubt that Utah's most famous polygamist family has caught America's full attention. Unfortunately, according to <u>RadarOnline</u>, Kody Brown and his multiple wives have also caught the attention of the feds. Though bigamy is a third-degree felony in Utah, it's rarely investigated. But due to all of the publicity surrounding the show, a full-out police investigation on the Browns is underway. In response to potential legal action, the Brown family issued the following statement: "We are disappointed in the announcement of an investigation, but when we decided to do this show, we knew there would be risks. But for the sake of our family, and most importantly, our kids, we felt it was a risk worth taking."

What should you do if you love two people at once?

Cupid's Advice:

Cheating is one thing, but what if you really love two people at the same time? Cupid has some things to consider:

1. Alternative lifestyles: Whether it's for religious reasons

or other moral considerations, there will always be people out there who have alternative love lives. As long as those people are happy and not hurting anyone around them, there's no reason we shouldn't accept relationships which differ from our own.

- 2. Making equal time: If for some reason you do end up in a consenting relationship with two or more people, the top priority must be to give equal attention to all the parties involved. If one person believes they aren't loved as much as another, it can lead to drama or depression.
- **3. Multiple commitments:** If you don't believe in polygamy, but are in love with two people at the same time, it's time to start analyzing each relationship separately. Focus on factors outside of the love. With which mate are you most compatible? Which relationship can truly go the distance?

True Blood's Joe Manganiello to Tie the Knot





True love has found *True Blood* star Joe Manganiello. According to *People*, the actor proposed to actress/model Audra Marie while on vacation in Italy. But this couple's romance didn't start off easily. "She wouldn't go out with me for six months," Manganiello told *People* in September. "We started dating a few months before I got cast [on *True Blood*]." Now the couple are anything but coy, confessing exactly what attracts them to each other. Manganiello says, "She's sweet ... nice. And she makes crazy English breakfasts," while Marie loves Maganiello's "sense of humor, his work ethic and how humble he is with everything that has gone on."

When does playing hard to get work?

Cupid's Advice:

While honesty is key in a healthy relationship, being a little coy with your emotions in the beginning may be what it takes to get the spark going. Cupid recommends when playing hard to get is a good thing:

1. Playing the game: Many people treat dating like a fun game, so not letting on right away can create a pursuit that will

make finding out more about you a goal your crush is striving to achieve. Bring on the excitement!

- 2. Adding mystery: By not immediately laying it all out there, you're leaving something to the imagination. Your romantic interest will have to ask you out again to get more info about you, ensuring a second or even third date.
- 3. Playing it safe: While it'll take your potential partner longer to learn more about you, it'll also take you longer to learn about him/her, allowing you to truly get to know the person you could be dating before you get too serious.

Christina Aguilera & Jordan Bratman Admit to Separation





Burlesque's Christina Aguilera and husband Jordan Bratman are yet another couple on Hollywood's long split list. After almost five years of marriage, *E! Online* originally confirmed the two had called it quits and were living separately, but were still hoping to work it out for their two-and-a-half-year-old son, Max. Now, however, Aguilera and Bratman have filed for divorce, citing "irreconcilable differences," according to *TMZ*. The former couple began dating in 2002 and wed in 2005 with a private ceremony in Napa Valley. The pair announced their separation right on the heels of another celebrated Hollywood couple — Courteney Cox and David Arquette. It seems as if celeb couples are having a rough time this month!

Why should you try separation before divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

People are so busy juggling their crazy lives these days that they sometimes forget how much time and energy it takes to maintain a healthy relationship. When things in a relationship get bad, it may eem like divorce is the only option. But this decision can be life-altering, it's better to try separation first:

- 1. Take a step back: Sometimes when you take yourself out of a situation, it's easier to gain perspective on what's truly going on in your relationship. You'll have time to decide whether it's possible to work things out or whether it's time to call it quits. It's best to clear your head, analyze the situation and allow enough time to pass before making any serious decisions.
- 2. Define your wants and needs: Go back to the basics, and make sure your personal goals haven't changed over time. Do you still want kids? What are your career goals? Where does your partner fit in? Figure out exactly what you want out of life before returning to your mate to make sure he/she wants similar things.
- 3. Love or lust: Do some soul searching and make sure that what you and your partner have is true love. You may have married too quickly or too young and mistaken lust for love. But if what you have is the real thing, it might be worth figuring out how to work together as husband and wife. Separating for a bit may motivate you to recommit to your marriage together.

Daniel Radcliffe Loves the Single life





Even though Daniel Radcliffe probably has the power to "cast a spell" over any woman he chooses, the *Harry Potter* star has vowed to remain single during his upcoming stint on Broadway. Radcliffe will be returning to the stage in "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying," and has told *Dazed and Confused magazine* that he wants to enjoy being single during the show, particularly because of his tempting cast mates. "I've been in relationships from the age of 14, and now I'm single," said Radcliffe. "I said to a friend the other day, 'Dude, I'm doing a show with dancers. I've got to be single.'" Radcliffe added, "He was like, 'Don't sleep with anyone in your own show. That's a mistake.' It's good advice. But I'm not sure I'll stick to it."

Is there a point when playing the field goes too far? Cupid's Advice:

Like most fun things in life, casual dating and sex are great, but too much of a good thing can be bad for both you and those around you. Cupid has some thoughts on when dating around moves from harmless fun to harmful behavior:

- 1. Physically unhealthy: Carelessness during casual sex could lead to unwanted STDs or pregnancy, but no matter how much protection you use, there's no way to protect your brain. According to Hooked: New Science on How Casual Sex Is Affecting Our Children, sex causes the brain to release dopamine, which can lead to poor decision making. And oxytocin, which makes women feel a sense of trust and connection with their partner, is based on nothing, but the chemicals in their heads.
- 2. Mentally unhealthy: Some people deal with their fear of intimacy by refusing to get close to anyone and dating around instead. This fear stems from deeper problems, and if left unresolved, could escalate and prevent a real relationship from blossoming.
- **3. Addiction:** Casual sex could be a mask for a burgeoning sexual addiction. According to PsychCentral.com, "a sex addict will continue to engage in certain sexual behaviors despite facing potential health risks, financial problems, shattered relationships or even arrest."

But enough with the downsides! Casual sex and dating can be fun, and healthy for you, too — in moderation.

Ashton Kutcher and Demi Moore to Renew Vows?





Faithful Twitterer Ashton Kutcher has once again revealed his predicament in 140 characters or less, reports *E! Online*. Kutcher, 32, told Twitter followers that he and wife Demi Moore, 47, are traveling to Israel to "[Share] Love & Light while in Israel." The couple are, "Asking 4 the energy 2 forge bonds with our similarities & find compromise in our differences." Kutcher and Moore have recently been facing rumors of Kutcher's infidelity. The couple has been taking to Twitter to sort out rumors, posting pictures of themselves in bed together, and thank everyone for their anniversary wishes. They are expected to renew their vows while in Israel, effectively squashing all rumors.

Why is it good to renew your vows?

Cupid's Advice:

There are lots of reasons to renew your vows — and you don't need to be a celeb to do it! Here are some incentives if you and your mate want to relive your vows:

1. Children: Your children weren't around the last time you

got married. Making fresh commitments will allow for your entire family to take part.

- 2. Relationship troubles: If you and your partner have been having problems in your relationship, renewing your vows may be the answer. Reassurance will make your partnership stronger.
- **3. More fun:** Since you got married, you and your partner have earned more money and met more people. Think of vow renewal as a romantic excuse to throw an even bigger ceremony. Invite more people, buy an even more expensive dress and even hire a band to replace the deejay this time around!

Snooki's New Boyfriend Is a 'Refreshing Change'





Jersey Shore's Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi, who was recently rumored to be starting her own reality dating show, looks like she doesn't need any help finding a man. Us Magazine reports that the reality TV star's new boyfriend, Jionni LaValle, is a "refreshing change," according to a source. "Jionni is great. He is so quiet and isn't trying to be in the spotlight." But apparently Snooki was still nervous about her new beau and looked for approval from her girlfriends. "She wasn't sure about him at first and kept asking her friends what they thought of him," says the source. "She was hesitant because he isn't the typical gorilla."How important are the opinions of your friends when it comes to the person you're dating?

Cupid's Advice:

Advice from your family and friends can be very telling. Cupid has some ideas on when you should listen to your friends' opinions and when it's okay to follow your own intuition:

1. Get a new perspective: Sometimes it's hard to see a person's faults when you really like him/her, which is why

it's important to listen to your friends when you're with someone new. They have an outside perspective and won't hesitate to tell you if they think your new flame is actually a jerk.

- 2. Know your history: Your friends know about your past relationships and your tendency to date certain types. If they see you gravitating toward the same type of partner (especially if you've had bad luck with that type in the past), they may be able to help steer you in another direction.
- 3. Go with your gut: Your pals don't know everything. While they care about you and want you to be happy, they don't know how you feel or what you want as well as you do. So if your intuition is telling you something's wrong (or right), listen.

Single Celebrities Who Rock (and Rule)!





By Terry Hernon MacDonald of singlewomenrule.com

A happy marriage may be among life's greatest pleasures, but there's a lot to be said for living single. For too long, single men and women have been portrayed as unlovable, irresponsible, selfish, or childish. (The media tend to portray single celebs in their 20s as sexy, but once she — and in this case, it's usually a she — turns 30, the question, "Is there anyone special in your life?" comes with increasing frequency and feigned concern.)

It's time to celebrate two unmarried women who make single living desirable, and they're both well over 30. If you're not there yet, they'll give you plenty to aspire to; if you are, they'll give you reasons to be cheerful.

Susan Sarandon

The young woman who played the grating but endearing Janet Weiss in *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* went on to draw acclaim for her performance in *Atlantic City* and ascended from there. She built a reputation for being the wise, sexy, and — later

on — the older woman men find irresistible. (After 40, she solidified her status as a sex symbol — not a sex object — in *Bull Durham* and *Thelma and Louise*.)

And, while she's sexy, she's also one to beat the odds. According to IMDb.com, doctors Sarandon that she'd never have children. She had the last of three at 45. Today, she's 64, living on her own terms, having recently ended a 21-year relationship with *Durham* co-star Timothy Robbins.

Marisa Tomei

According to IMDd.com, this 46-year-old actress says of marriage, "I'm not that big a fan of marriage as an institution, and I don't know why women need to have children to be seen as complete human beings." Tomei does enjoy relationships, though, having dated many attractive men, most recently actor Logan Marshall-Green, who is 12 years her junior.

Since hitting it big in the 1992 comedy *My Cousin Vinny* (her performance was ridiculed by the likes of Charlie Sheen), Tomei earned considerable respect for her work in *Welcome to Sarajevo* and *In the Bedroom*. She garnered an Oscar nomination for *The Wrestler* in 2008 and will co-star with Kevin Bacon, Steve Carell, and Emma Stone in *Crazy*, *Stupid*, *Love*, due for release in April 2011.

While Tomei's acting made her famous, what we at SWR really love her for is her work on behalf of women's causes, most notably Equality Now.

Surprising Split for Ben Harper and Laura Dern





It's splitsville for another seemingly happy celebrity couple. RadarOnline reports that singer Ben Harper and Jurassic Park actress Laura Dern have filed for divorce. The pair dated for five years before marrying in 2005 and have two children together. The breakup is especially surprising because it comes three weeks after the Harper-Dern family traveled to Hawaii together to attend the wedding of their close friend, Pearl Jam frontman Eddie Vedder. Vedder and model Jill McCormick married September 18, and Harper and Dern spent a week partying in Honolulu along with other celebrities like Jack Johnson and Sean Penn. The couple's reps had no comment on the split.

What are some signs that your partner is unhappy in your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Some relationships end so abruptly that it leaves you wondering, what happened? Cupid has some tips on how to recognize signs that your partner is unhappy:

- 1. He seems distracted: If he doesn't pay attention to you when you talk or seems distant on dates, he may be thinking about ending it. Not fully engaging shows that he's not content in the relationship anymore.
- 2. He cancels plans: If he suddenly opts out of that cruise in the Bahamas you had been planning forever, he's not ready to take that next step with you. If he doesn't want to move forward, he's not happy with where the relationship is going.
- 3. He starts fights: Some people have a hard time showing emotion, and men often express their sadness or frustration through anger. If it seems like you're constantly bickering, he might be trying to show you that he's lost that loving feeling.

Rumer Willis Moves On With New 'Glee' Beau





Rumer Willis and beau Micah Alberti have officially parted ways, reports <u>People</u>, but it doesn't seem to be keeping Willis down! Demi Moore's famed daughter was spotted with new <u>Glee cast member</u>, Chord Overstreet. The duo was seen in Beverly Hills at the Night Vision presents an Evening Affair with Seth Macfarlane party holding hands and sharing kisses. The two were first spotted last week acting flirty in Las Vegas partying with Overstreet's <u>Glee co-star</u>, Mark Salling.

What are a few things you can do before jumping back into a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Being in a relationship can be amazing. Always having someone who is a phone call away can be hard to let go of when a relationship ends. But if you are continuously jumping into a new relationship, you may be avoiding the one realtionship that may need the most work: the one with yourself:

1. Take a break: If you find that you are spending most of your time partnered up, take some time off. Going to a movie and out to eat alone can be peaceful and rewarding. Plus, you

won't feel pressured to order the lighter option on the menu.

- 2. Learn from your mistakes: Acknowledge what wasn't working in your last relationship in order to prevent the same things from happening in your next one. Couldn't stand your old smoker boyfriend? Make sure your next one is tabacco-free. If something didn't work work in the past, it won't work in the future.
- 3. Write it out: Sit down and make a list of all the qualities you want in a partner, as well as a list of "deal-breakers." Don't settle but be realistic. There is no such thing as the "perfect man." Keep the list in a place you'll see it, and be patient. It's often when you're not looking that you'll find someone worthy of your time.

Courteney Cox & David Arquette Split





After years of irreconcilable differences, Hollywood couple Couretney Cox and David Arquette have announced their official The two have been married for 11 years. Ironically, this romance began when they met on the set of *Scream* in 1996. They now have a six-year-old daughter named Coco, whom they both adore. As Cox and Arquette recently told <u>People</u>, "The reason for this separation is to better understand ourselves and the qualities we need in a partner and for our marriage. We remain best friends and responsible parents to our daughter and we still love each other deeply. As we go though this process we are determined to use kindness and understanding to get through this together." Though this separation may appear drama-free, it seems the marriage was not. The media has reported repeated arguments in the past.

How can you put an end to the "same old fights" in your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Irreconcilable differences are the number one cause of breakups and divorces. No matter how big or small these

issues are, many couples tend to have the same fight over and over. In order for a relationship to grow, these ongoing issues need to be worked out:

- 1. Seek the advice of a third party: Sometimes all you need is the counsel of a completely uninvolved third party to help you and your partner come to a compromise. This can be, but doesn't have to be, a marriage counselor; however, a mutual friend could also do the trick.
- 2. Recognize the problem: As soon as the "same old fight" begins, look for the redundancies. Write down the problem. Sometimes it's better to see it on paper. This can be the first step to working things out.
- 3. Reevaluate the relationship: If after countless tries to work out your issues you are not any closer to finding a solution, then perhaps you're not right for one another. It may be a hard thing to face, but it could be time to move on.

'Brothers & Sisters' Star Dave Annable Marries Odette Yustman





Love seems to be enough for *Brothers & Sisters* star Dave Annable and his actress bride, Odette Yustman. The couple, who got engaged over Valentine's Day weekend at the place they fell in love, officially carried their fairytale romance down the aisle last weekend and started their life together as husband and wife, reports *Us Weekly*. With 215 family members and friends taking in the spectacle, Yustman walked toward her husband to the song, "All You Need is Love" by the Beatles. Is love enough in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Dave Annable and Odette Yustman seem to believe in the age-old mantra that "love is all it takes," but it's not always so straight forward. Cupid thinks that there are some other factors you should consider before committing to a partner:

- 1. Morals and values: Sometimes moral differences severely hurt a relationship. Decide which of your values are set in stone before you get too involved with a mate. It's not good to commit yourself to someone if your morals vary too much.
- 2. Family: If you want to have children and your partner isn't

- as keen on the idea, you may want to rethink the relationship. If there's no compromising about the situation, it will end up being a huge problem love, or not.
- **3. Finances:** Money is always a touchy subject, especially within a relationship. One partner may have a much higher standard of living than the other, which could pose issues in the future. It's best to get financial discussions out of the way in the beginning.

Kelsey Grammer's Girlfriend Miscarries





After six weeks of mourning, Kelsey Grammer and girlfriend Kayte Walsh opened up to <u>People</u> over the weekend regarding the tragic loss of their unborn child. "We would like to thank all of those who expressed kindness and concern, but we needed a little time to heal, time to find some solace before we publicly acknowledged our loss," the couple explained.

What are ways to support each other after a miscarriage?

Cupid's Advice:

A miscarriage can often be one of the most heartbreaking things a couple must endure together. When dealing with this type of tragedy, it's essential that you support each other. Cupid has some advice on how to stay strong together:

- 1. Be open: In light of such a tragic event, it's often tempting to retreat into solitude in order to grieve. Don't forget that you have a counterpart experiencing the same grief that you are, and it will help the both of you to be open with each other about it.
- 2. Get away: If you don't feel ready to deal with the world

- after your loss, it's okay to take some time away from it all. Escape somewhere and try to cope with how you're feeling before jumping back into the bustle of your daily routine.
- 3. Remember: Find a way to cherish memories of the child that you lost. Trying to forget about what happened can often times bury feelings that will eventually surface later. Start a journal, or hold a memorial service in your child's honor. Though it can't heal all the wounds, these things can help bring a sense of closure to you and your partner.

Avril Lavigne Parties With Boyfriend AND Ex





If you think you and your new beau can't be friendly with your ex, think again. <u>People</u> reports that Avril Lavigne and boyfriend Brody Jenner recently partied with Lavigne's exhusband, Deryck Whibley of Sum 41. Even with her ex nearby, the pop star and her reality-TV boyfriend couldn't keep their hands off of each other at the Hollywood club. Reports say that Lavigne, 26, and Jenner, 27, were kissing and snuggling up to each other all night after Whibley, 30, spent some time chatting with them at their table. The PDA-friendly twosome have been together since the spring. Here's hoping that the couple that parties together (with an ex), stays together!

How friendly should you be with your partner's ex?

Cupid's Advice:

While it might seem difficult to befriend the person who let your partner go, there might be some benefits to being friendly with your boo's ex. Cupid has some tips on exactly how friendly you should be:

- 1. Watch and learn: Use your sweetie's relationship with his or her ex as a guide to show you how friendly to be. It won't do any good to become best friends with the person your partner swore to never talk to again.
- 2. Don't get discouraged: Befriending your mate's former flame provides a great opportunity to commiserate about your partner's bad habits and stupid jokes. But don't let the ex poison your mind when they talk about your partner's role in the failure of their relationship. Every relationship is different, and history doesn't always have to repeat itself.
- **3. Keep a safe distance:** An ex may befriend you or your partner because they still have some leftover feelings for your beau. Make sure to keep them at arm's length, and learn their true intentions before being too welcoming.

Jersey Shore's Ronnie Regrets How He Treated Sammi





Jersey Shore's Ronnie Ortiz-Magro is full of regrets for cheating on girlfriend, Sammi Giancola, during filming for season 2 of their hit reality show. "When I saw myself in the club with those girls [it] was, 'Wow, you're the man right now at the club. You look f—ing awesome,'" he told MTV. "And then when I go home to Sam, I'm like, 'Wow, I'm embarrassed. I'm ashamed of myself. I'm embarrassed about what I did to her.'" Ronnie may be acknowledging that what he did was wrong now, but castmates Snooki and J-Woww originally let the news slip to Sammi about his indiscretions in a telling note. It seems that Sammi has been able to at least partially get over Ronnie's mistake, though, as she only has good things to say about him. "I think he is actually really trying to show me the good instead of the bad," she told MTV last month. "That's what I hold on to all the time."

Is it okay to forgive your mate after he/she cheats? Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes cheating is considered a one-time end-all in a relationship. Well, it's definitely true that the trust

between a couple is severely damaged when one partner cheats on the other, but it's not always necessary to call it quits after an indiscretion. Cupid has some things to consider before making a definitive decision:

- 1. Forget your pride: Before making a decision on whether you're capable of forgiving your mate after he or she cheats, it's important to keep your pride out of the equation. A relationship isn't about what looks good to the outside world. Consider only what you think and how you feel about the matter, and go from there.
- 2. Consider the details: There are various types of cheating, with differing types of meanings attached. Talk to your partner, and try to figure out why he did what he did. Is he unhappy in your relationship? Was his judgment impaired at the time? Did it mean anything?
- 3. Love: Here's the ultimate question: do you love your mate? If the answer is "yes," it becomes even more important to thoroughly think things through before making a rash decision. It may or may not be true that "love isn't everything," but it's certainly a very important thing to consider.

Bradley Cooper and Renée Zellwegers' Cold Outing





Longtime couple Renée Zellweger and Bradley Cooper were caught by paparazzi as they left restaurant Katsuya last week. Before dinner, the couple had attended CAA's Young Hollywood charity event at MyHouse, but refused to pose for photos. cold atmosphere lasted the rest of the night, reports E!Online. A source claimed that the couple were "not affectionate at all" during dinner, a claim bolstered by a video of Zellweger and Cooper leaving Katsuya. Cooper allowed for another man to escort Zellweger down a staircase, and was blown off by Zellweger when he tried to open a door for her. Is there a possible reason for the couple's cold outing? "The studios aren't happy that their movie Case 39 took so long to premiere," reports the insider. "They're trying to get publicity going."How can you tell if your partner has ulterior motives?

Cupid's Advice:

If your beau has ulterior motives in your relationship, he is probably very clever, but he can't hide all of the signs of his deception. Cupid has a few that you should be able to pick up on:

- 1. He's not attentive: The next time the two of you are out to dinner, see if he's really listening to what you're saying. If he frequently loses focus, it may mean that he's bored with the relationship and is only sticking around for other reasons.
- 2. Favors: If you find that you are always the one paying for meals, giving him rides and doing other favors for him, then it's time for a change. Talk to him about your worries, and if he stops mooching off of you, then you know he's honest.
- **3. Pick-up lines:** Next time you're at a bar or a party with some friends, be careful about which guys you approach. The ones who immediately compliment your looks are probably only lustful.

Rachel McAdams With New Beau Michael Sheen?





Actress Rachel McAdams has recently been spotted with *Midnight in Paris* co-star Michael Sheen, according to *People*. The actress, who just finished work on the film clearly left an impression on her costar! "All my scenes were with Rachel," said Sheen. "Yeah, we had a great time in Paris. She's a genuinely lovely lady as well as being stunningly beautiful and very talented so, you know, she's got it all going on there." The pair were spotted together at an after-party at the Toronto Film Festival, and were again seen later on in the evening holding hands as they walked around Toronto (McAdams's home town). When should you take your relationship public?

Cupid's Advice:

You have a new boyfriend, and things are going great. You are pressured to tell your friends and family, and feelings of insecurity and worry start to surface. Deciding when to make your relationship public can be difficult. Cupid has a few tips to help you take the next big step:

1. Analyze potential: Before telling your friends and family, make sure to analyze the relationship. Be brutally honest

with yourself. Do you see the relationship going anywhere? It's fine if you're happy with a fling, but your parents might not be so thrilled.

- 2. Get approval: Before announcing your love to the world, try asking a handful of friends what they think. A true friend will point out things that aren't obvious to you. But if your friends think you make a good couple, then go ahead and tell the world how you feel.
- 3. Look at your pasts: If you and your boyfriend both have a history of dating numerous people with little down time in between relationships, then take it slow. You don't want people to get the wrong idea. Start the relationship off on the right foot, with all of your friends and family taking the relationship as seriously as you are.

Paris Hilton Plays Mom to Cy Waits' Daughter





We are now seeing a softer side to the Bonnie and Clyde-like romance between heiress, Paris Hilton, and nightclub tycoon, Cy Waits. RadarOnline reports that Hilton has become a standin mother of sorts to Waits' seven-year-old daughter, Shea, from a previous relationship. This baby mama drama is a far cry from when Hilton and Waits made headlines in August. Waits was arrested for drunk driving and Hilton for possession of cocaine on the same night. Perhaps this couple is turning over a new leaf! Though not officially a step-mom, Hilton previously stated, "I look after animals, so I'd have a lot to give my kids."

Can having a connection with your partner's children make your relationship stronger?

Cupid's Advice:

You can't trust just anyone to raise your child, but you must eventually trust your partner with your children if want the relationship to grow. Cupid has some things to consider:

1. Part of the family: When a relationship where children are

involved starts to get serious, the significant other usually becomes an honorary family member, making appearances at birthday parties and Thanksgiving. Being invited to these occasions is the first step in becoming a permanent part of a child's life.

- 2. The baby connection: Sharing the ups and downs of raising a child as couple is a great way for you to bond with both your partner and their kids. By connecting this way, you can get a feel for who your partner really is and what his or her daily life is truly like.
- **3. Parenting is hard work:** Kids may seem cute at first, but don't be fooled. Nights on the couch waiting cartoons may be replacing your nights on the town if you choose to be with someone with children. Be prepared!

Rumer Willis & Micah Alberti Are No More





Demi Moore's famed daughter Rumer Willis and beau Micah Alberti have called it quits, reports <u>People</u>. But Willis isn't letting a breakup get her down. She was seen celebrating her 21st birthday at Tao in Las Vegas last weekend. Sources say Willis was dancing and having a good time: even chatting up <u>Glee</u>'s Mark Salling. It seems Willis has chosen laughter over ice cream when it comes to getting over her ex.

Is it necessary to "prove" you're over your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Rumer Willis' exciting 21st birthday may have been the extra boost she needed post breakup. Girls are often expected to maintain a low profile the first few days after a breakup, but going out and clearing your head with some friends and good music could be just the thing to let the world know you're okay:

1. A catch-22: Staying in post break-up is definitely the way to play it safe. Friends understand and are willing to keep you company while you mourn the end of your relationship.

Although it's healthy to get out and distract yourself for a night, having too good of a time might send others the wrong message. Create a balance by giving yourself time to grieve as well as time to smile.

- 2. True to yourself: You don't have to prove to anybody that you're over your ex. If you find yourself going out on endless party binges, take a step back and ask yourself if you're just trying to prove to yourself that you're over him. If the only person who needs convincing is you, perhaps it's time to call it a night.
- 3. Small-town girl: It seems to be nature's evil sense of humor that we always run into our exes when we're either looking our worst or right after a breakup. If it's the latter, keep your head held high. Smile politely and excuse yourself from the situation. By sticking around and exerting your "I'm over him" mantra, it may do more harm than good.

Are Chelsea Handler & 50 Cent Dating?





The unlikely duo of Chelsea Handler and 50 Cent are rumored to be dating, reports <u>US Magazine</u>. The two were photographed looking romantic at a bar in New Orleans last weekend. A source confirmed the relationship and says, "It's been going on awhile.... It's more of a hookup thing — whenever they are in the same town."How should you handle criticism for dating someone considered different from you?

Cupid's Advice:

An unlikely pair or not, who are we to judge? Just because the consensus is that the two of you are opposites, that doesn't mean you can't make it work. Cupid has some tips to help you block the noise and just enjoy each other's company:

- 1. Just the two of us: Grover Washington, Jr. had a good point in his Grammy winning song "Just the Two of Us." When it comes down to it, it only matters how the two of you feel about each other. Yes, approval from family and friends is always nice, but the fact that the two of you found something special in each other is what really counts.
- 2. Embrace the differences: We've all heard it a million

times: opposites attract. Dating someone different can help you open your eyes to a whole new world. You can learn from each other and balance out each other's personalities.

3. Step back and listen: While it might be exciting dating someone different, you don't want to let the allure of it all shadow the fact that it might not be a great idea. If family or friends have something to say, listen, but take it with a grain of salt. An outsider looking in might be able to see something you don't.

Tiger Woods Porn Mistress Threatens to Kill





It doesn't look like the drama surrounding pro golfer Tiger Woods will end any time soon. Devon James, a porn star who admitted to an affair with Woods, apparently threatened Joslyn James, another of Woods' mistresses, in an e-mail sent to a mutual friend obtained by <code>RadarOnline</code>. Joslyn accused Devon of stealing from her during the filming of a porn-flick about their affairs with Woods. The accusation prompted Devon to chastise the friend for not seeing through Joslyn's "bulls*t" and threatening, "Trust me I swear to you I will kill over this."

What are the repercussions of cheating?

Cupid's Advice:

Cupid knows cheating doesn't always end in death threats, but it usually ends in someone getting hurt. Here are some of the most common results of infidelity:

1. Loss of trust: Your partner may worry that you're cheating every time you're not together, and this added stress could show itself in more fights, less togetherness, and a faster

breakdown of the relationship.

- 2. Create feelings of revenge: Your partner may feel that there is now an unfair imbalance in the relationship, where one partner got something the other didn't. This could lead to deep-seeded feelings of revenge that could break apart a once-stable relationship.
- 3. Messy breakup: Cheating can break apart couples, but because it causes negative feelings and involves taboo topics, it makes the breakup difficult to talk about with family, friends, or children the couple may have together. This can lead to bitterness and internalized anger, thereby hurting both parties even more.

Kim Kardashian is Single in the City





Many changes are happening famed reality star Kim Kardashian's high-profile life. Along with moving to New York City for the new series Kourtney and Kim Take New York set to premiere in January, for the first time in a long time, this Kardashian sister is also single. Since the socialite is known for both her curves and arm candy, such as ex-boyfriends Reggie Bush and Miles Austin, her new relationship status is somewhat of a surprise. According to RadarOnline, Kardashian recently spoke with Ryan Seacrest on KIIS FM show and confessed that she needed to get away from her usual routine. The relocation couldn't have come at a more perfect time! She then bravely announced, "I'm officially on my own... now I'm the single one in New York!"

How do you find love in New York?

Cupid's Advice:

Every year, countless singles bravely leave their small town lives behind in search of love and success in the Big Apple. Unlike Kim Kardashian, however, most newcomers to New York City aren't armed with a high rise apartment or on V.I.P.

guest lists. Even with the glitz and glam of the celebrity life, New York is by far the hardest place to find love, but the best place to be in love:

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- 1. Never turn down an invitation: Living in a big metropolis like NYC can be tiring and overwhelming much of the time. Though you may feel like giving up, force yourself to get to even the smallest of events, such as your friend's housewarming party. Though everyone seems to fixate on highend bars and four-star events for meeting their next lover, some of the biggest connections are made far more casually. Don't miss out!
- 2. Become self-sufficient: If you don't meet anyone right away, really get to know yourself. Though it has an incredibly high population, New York can be a very lonely city. Don't be afraid to be alone. Take this time to focus on hobbies or your career. Who knows? You could end up meeting your next partner that way.
- 3. Explore new places: Even in a city with countless things to do, it's very easy to get stuck in the same routine and going to the sames places week after week. Explore a different part of the city for once, even if it means having to take an extra subway ride. You are never going to meet anyone new if you don't branch out.

Taylor Swift is Careful About Love





After a hectic couple of years, Taylor Swift graces the cover of *Glamour* Magazine looking like a new, more mature woman. And why not? In the past couple of years, the 20-year-old singer has had to deal with everything from a breakup with actor Taylor Lautner to Kanye West's infamous interruption at the 2009 VMAs. *HollyScoop* reports that Swift was especially open about her love life in her interview with *Glamour*, where she said, "I don't seem to have any real strategy or pattern when it comes to love... At times I've been really guarded and careful and afraid to trust someone. But other times, you want to jump in headfirst... I've been careful in love. I've been careless in love. And I've had adventures I wouldn't trade for anything." To hear even more of her honest opinions

about life and love, check out Swift's new album *Speak Now*, out October 25.

Can being too cautious hurt your chances at love?

Cupid's Advice:

Past experiences can teach us to be wary of love, but being overly cautious might lead to missing out on great experiences. Cupid has some ideas about why you should never lose your childish enthusiasm:

- 1. Have no regrets: Taking chances when it comes to love means giving it your all and not holding back. If you're too afraid to go for it, you might regret it for the rest of your life. If things don't end up working out, at least you know you tried.
- 2. Make a good impression: Being overly hesitant might give the opposite sex the impression that you're guarded or indifferent. Show you're willing to take risks so people know that you're dedicated to finding love.
- **3. Don't miss out:** Let's face it: by playing it safe, you're missing out on all the fun! You know those "adventures" Taylor Swift talks about? They're what makes life exciting, so go ahead and take a chance!

Nick Jonas Dating Another

British Co-Star?





Nick Jonas sure has a love for Brits. <u>People</u> reports that Jonas, 18, is getting close with <u>Les Miserables</u> co-star Samantha Barks. Barks, 20, was all giggles when asked about Jonas, commenting, "Nick is such a wonderful person…we definitely keep in contact." Jonas had nothing to say on the subject, politely telling reporters, "I keep that stuff to myself." The Jo-Bro has been playing the role of Marius since June, and, according to the <u>Daily Mail</u>, has been romantically linked to another one of his co-stars, Lucie Jones. Now, however, Jonas seems extremely happy with Barks. When asked about his love for British women, Jonas merely replied, "They're great — very kind…[and] very supportive."What are important things to consider before entering the dating world?

Cupid's Advice:

When you're young and just starting to realize you're attracted to the opposite sex, it can seem like nothing can go wrong. Cupid has some things to consider before jumping into the dating pool:

- 1. Know the risks: A mistake many young people make when they first start dating is not knowing the risks. There are too many stories of unwanted teenage pregnancies and rape that circulate these days, so it's important to be cautious.
- 2. Separation: Young people often make the mistake of mixing their private and professional lives. It's important to keep your relationship separate from your career ambitions when you're young. If your relationship ends, your job should not be affected.
- 3. Peer pressure: Peer pressure is at its peak when you're young. Don't date around just because everyone else is doing it. Only play the field if you feel ready.