

Scarlett Johansson Speaks Out About Divorce from Ryan Reynolds



Actress Scarlett Johansson opened up about the men in her life's past and present in an interview with [Vogue](#), including her painful split from actor Ryan Reynolds. Although the *We Bought a Zoo* actress is happy and in love once again with boyfriend, Nate Naylor, she says the memory of her divorce from Reynolds was devastating and painful, but something she doesn't regret, according to [The Daily Mail](#). The couple, who split in December of 2010, led a private and love-filled marriage, but their busy careers got the best of them. 'This was something I never thought I would be doing. And there's no way to navigate it,' said Johansson of her divorce. "Nobody can give you the right answer. It's never anything you want to hear. It's a very lonely thing. It's like the loneliest thing you'll ever do, in some way."

How do you move on after a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

After a divorce, you can feel like you've lost your entire world or your best friend, but it doesn't have to be so bad.

Cupid has some tips to help you stay positive and move on gracefully:

1. Don't waste time: After a split, a grieving stage is necessary, but don't let it take over your life because regret can be a difficult emotion with which to cope. Give yourself time to accept the past, settle into the present and embrace what the future has in store for you. Life is filled with ups, downs and unexpected turns, so be strong and carry on because things will get better again.

2. Get out of denial: The marriage is over, and there's no use in thinking about the "what if's," or the "if I would have done this," because you can't go back. The only way to move is forward with a new perspective on how you're going to learn from your mistakes and improve your life.

3. Find yourself: You can't be that person you were when you were with your ex, because life is going to be different without them. There's an authentic "you" in there somewhere, and maybe you haven't revealed it in a while, but it's time to be independent again.

What advice do you have for someone trying to move on from a divorce? Share your comments below.

3 Reasons Nice Guys Shouldn't Finish Last



By David Wiseman

For many women, there's something exciting and stimulating about the bad boy. He's a rascal and a rogue, and that's part of the attraction. Confident, good-looking, stylish and poised, he knows how to conduct himself. So, then, what is the downside? Here are three good reasons that nice guys shouldn't be left unnoticed:

Bad Boy Attraction Can Quickly Burn Out

At first, part of the attraction stems from the fact that things are so spontaneous and exciting. He doesn't call four times, but rather just shows up unannounced. But after a while, this can become a bit tiresome and a woman wants someone she can rely and depend on.

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Take George Clooney, for instance. He's a bad boy who is seemingly never going to be tamed. He has said that he doesn't want to get married again and would rather just hook-up. For a girl who wants a long-term commitment, the glamor and excitement is quickly going to fade.

The Long Term and Starting a Family

If you're after something serious, a nice guy shouldn't finish last. A relationship needs to be built on a platform of trust, communication and honesty, and you will be struggling to get that from a bad boy.

Plus, there's the desire to start a family. If this is something you're after, you are going to want someone who will parent with the same concerns and values that you will.

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Some celebrity example of this is are Kevin Federline and Matthew Broderick. K-Fede is now barely a part of Britney Spears' life, and she takes care of her boys without his help.

Matthew Broderick is anything, but a bad boy and is a devoted dad. This isn't something you're going to be thinking of in the early stages of a relationship. Many women regret their choice of partner because the bad boy couldn't successfully make the transition from boyfriend to father. So, it's important to think ahead wherever possible.

Getting Bad Out of the Nice

The thing is, it's very easy to write off a guy after a first meeting. He may be a bit shy and a socially awkward. His dress sense isn't the best, and he says the wrong thing at the wrong time. But, after a while, you get to know him; he feels more comfortable in your presence and comes out of his shell.

What you may have is nice guy on the outside and a bad boy on

the inside.

He will give you the best of both worlds. For example, Ashton Kutcher was like this with Demi Moore until the bad boy just took over, and they split. But being bad doesn't always lead to relationship failure. One famous guy who seems to have been able to keep the faith is Jon Bon Jovi, who married his high school sweetheart and is still happily married to her.

They have four kids, and he seems to be one of the very few who has been able to get the balance just right.

Dating a bad boy is like flying too close to the sun. If he gets a little bit worse, he might not be loyal to you, and staying faithful is one of the biggest issues that prevent bad boys from being in long term relationships.

David Wiseman loves popular culture and is one of the few people left who think Ted Mosby will actually get married. His dream celebrity video chat is Christina Hendricks. His role models are Don Draper and Walter White.

Famous Couple Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie Announce Their Celebrity Engagement





Congratulations to famous couple Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie on their celebrity engagement! The longtime pair have been together since 2005 and have six children together. Sources say that their upcoming marriage is a promise for the future. Their children, who have long been supportive of their parents tying the knot, are said to be very happy. According to [People](#), there is no date set for the celebrity wedding at this time. The actress' stunning engagement ring was designed by Robert Procop.

This famous couple is celebrating their celebrity engagement. When you're in a long-term relationship, how do you know when to get married?

Cupid's Advice:

No one can tell you when it's time to get married. While some couples tie the knot after six weeks, others couples take longer. Look at how long Jolie and Pitt were together before their celebrity engagement announcement! Remember, there is no

right or wrong way to make your commitment to your partner official. If you do choose to get married, here are some relationship and love signs that it might be time:

1. You have children together: If you have children with your partner, it may be in their best interests for you to be legally married. This will make decisions, like the signing of legal documents and government actions, a little bit easier.

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2. You have shared assets: If you've bought a house or car together, your relationship and love is probably very serious. With this amount of trust between you two, consider making your union official.

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3. You want to get married: Not every serious couple feels the need to get married, and that's okay. If you do, it may be time to see how your partner feels about marriage.

Do you think traditional marriage will someday become a thing of the past? Share your thoughts below.

**'NCIS' Star Michael Weatherly
Shares Meaning Behind
Daughter's Name**



NCIS actor Michael

Weatherly has some big news: he recently welcomed a daughter with wife Bojana Jankovic. Their baby name of choice, you ask? Olivia. “My wife Bojana is Serbian and her name means war or warrior,” Weatherly said, according to [People](#). “And when you give someone an olive branch, that’s an offering of peace so Olivia is peace. I think we have a Tolstoy novel going on now: Mother and daughter, war and peace!?” Although this is a happy coincidence and not necessarily a planned deeper meaning, the couple is thrilled to have found stumbled upon the connection.

What are some ways to make your child’s name meaningful?

Cupid’s Advice:

Although there’s no shame in naming your child something that you simply like the sound of, it can sometimes be touching to have meaning behind a name. Cupid has some tips:

1. A relative: Sometimes names are passed down from generation to generation in families. It can be special to continue a

tradition or start a new one in this fashion.

2. Name origins: Baby names all have different meanings originally, and it's always a good idea to look into the origin of a name before assigning it to your child.

3. An experience: If you have a particularly meaningful event or experience that's affected your life, try thinking of names associated with that special time.

How did you make your baby's name meaningful? Share your experiences below.

Women Who Are the Breadwinners of Their Celebrity Relationship





The ladies of Generation X were some of the first to trade the domesticity of the housewife for the slacks of Corporate America. Powerful and confident women are sexy, but society hasn't completely caught up with us yet, and it's still uncommon for a female salary to outweigh that of her spouse's. That's where Hollywood comes in with a good message for once, as stunning starlets are throwing off the national average by earning more than their celebrity loves. Below is a list of sexy female celebs empowering themselves through healthy relationships *and* hefty paychecks:

Women's Upper Hand in Celebrity Relationships

1. Gisele Bundchen: Other than her svelte silhouette and pristine profile, Bundchen impresses with a net worth of \$200 million. Her hunky husband Tom Brady is known for his jockey skills on the football field but is only worth \$100 million. While both salaries are envy worthy, Bundchen makes far more than the man she shares her bed with. Regardless, this celebrity relationship is picture perfect, and Brady doesn't look at all emasculated by his wife's high salary.

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2. Jessica Simpson: We've watched Simpson transform from a young singer and clueless newlywed into a confident entrepreneur. With a net income of \$100 million and a shoe line that wracks in over \$500 million annually, she would be hard pressed to find a man wealthier than she. Fortunately, she's has found happiness with ex-NFL player Eric Johnson. Though his salary hasn't been reported, he is currently unemployed. Regardless of their paychecks, the two are expecting their first child this year, proving that money is not an issue with this celebrity relationship.

3. Oprah Winfrey: Whether you're an Oprah devotee or totally impartial, there's no denying this woman grabbed life by the reigns when she began her journalism career in the mid 1970's. Forty years and one huge following later, Winfrey is worth a staggering \$2.7 billion. Longtime partner Stedman Graham may not make as much, but he isn't loafing off of Winfrey's riches either. As CEO of S. Graham and Associates, Stedman has wracked in an impressive \$10 million of his own.

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4. Julia Roberts: Roberts, America's *Pretty Woman*, has a hefty income of \$140 million. Her husband, however, Danny Moder, is a camera man. Though his salary has not been reported, it has long been known that Roberts is the money maker in the Moder home. Regardless, after ten years of being a married celebrity couple and having three children, the two have shown that true love trumps any jealousy over income.

Actress Earns More Than Celebrity Love

5. [Angelina Jolie](#): From dominatrix to domestic diva, Jolie is

another star we've had the pleasure of watching grow up in front of our eyes. While her days of drinking blood have passed, she continues to make celebrity news by adopting children, working as a humanitarian and starting foundations to help combat poverty. Somehow, this busy mother and activist also has time to star in movies and grosses nearly \$150 million. Her equally famous and good-hearted soon-to-be husband Brad Pitt makes only a little less than her at an annual salary of \$130 million. These two aren't sitting home comparing paychecks though. Instead, they combine their incomes to help better the world around them.

6. Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi: Outside of partying, tanning and going to the gym, Snooki found her fame by starring on MTV's *Jersey Shore*. Though her wild antics have made her somewhat infamous, she wasn't downing tequila shots for nothing. At an annual salary of \$2 million, the tiny beach bum can at least impress with her bank statements. Fiancé Jionni Lavallo chose a more modest lifestyle and is currently studying to become a teacher. While his salary may never match Polizzi's, the two were able to work past the drama of the shore and are currently expecting a baby.

Do you think salaries matter? Do you make more than your man? Comment below.

Marc Anthony Officially Files for Divorce from Jennifer Lopez



After publicly announcing their split in July, Marc Anthony has finally filed for divorce from Jennifer Lopez at the Los Angeles Superior Court. Regardless of the ex couple's "irreconcilable differences," they continue to work together on their Latin music and dance competition series, *Q'Viva! The Chosen*. The separation date of Anthony, 43, and Lopez, 42, still remains to be determined, but Anthony has requested legal and physical custody of their twins Max and Emme, 4.

How do you know when it's time to turn a separation into a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

A divorce isn't an easy thing to go through, but sometimes there's nothing else you can do to save a relationship. Here are some ways when you know it's time to really call it quits:

1. Continuing to argue: During a separation, you should both have your space, but continue to work on things at the same time. If you're still arguing and fighting with each other,

then maybe things really won't work out in the end.

2. For the kids: A separation is tough for the kids, but you can't continue to play with their emotions. Kids need a stable family and lifestyle, so if you can't come together as a family, decisions need to be made to establish your separate lives rather than continue to confuse them.

3. You're just not happy: During a separation, you should be able to have some time to figure out what you really want and what's important in life. Do what makes you happy, and if you're happier being separated from your spouse, then maybe its time to make the separation real and move on.

When do you think it's time to move from a separation to a divorce? Share your opinions below.

American Idol's Diana DeGarmo Speaks Out About Her Romance with Ace Young





American Idol alumna

Diana DeGarmo is bringing her personal life into the spotlight. In a recent interview, DeGarmo explained exactly how she bonded with long-term boyfriend Ace Young, a fellow *American Idol* contestant, reports UsMagazine.com. “We are best friends! I truly believe us having been through ‘Idol’ is one of the big reasons as to why we understand each other so well; unless you go through it, you don’t get it,” said DeGarmo. “We were the first Idols to do a Broadway show together, the first Idols to live together—and the first to write a country song for a soap opera together!”

Is having a lot in common a requirement in a relationship?

Cupid’s Advice:

Though opposites may attract, they do not always stay together. Here are a few reasons why having a lot in common with your partner makes for a better relationship:

1. Conversation: Especially when you first start dating, having a lot in common makes for easier conversation. Talk about your favorite places or your mutual love of action movies.

2. Dating: Dating becomes much easier when the two of you have

similar tastes. When you and your partner agree often, there's usually no need to debate over where to go or what movie to see.

3. Compatibility: If your relationship is getting serious, you may need to discuss long-term goals and plans. When you have a lot in common with your partner, you may find this discussion easier.

Do you think you should have a lot in common with your partner? Feel free to leave a comment below.

Melissa Etheridge and Ex Tammy Lynn Fight Over Money



Melissa Etheridge and Tammy Lynn Michael's divorce battle is still ongoing.

Michaels recently requested for a bump in child support payments, reports [E! Online](#). Etheridge, 50, replied to the request with 100-plus pages of custody-related documents. In the documents, Etheridge claims that Michaels is “angry and vindictive” and sees herself as their twins’ “primary parent and as the person who should control their time.” A hearing for this latest conflict is scheduled for May 22nd.

What are some ways to keep money from coming between you as a couple?

Cupid’s Advice:

Dealing with money and day-to-day aspects of life can sometimes put a damper on your relationship. Here are a few ways to keep money from coming between you:

1. Humility: Chances are, you and your partner have different salaries. You may earn a significant amount more than your partner, or vice versa. If this is the case, remember to remain supportive and humble. Don’t brag about your earnings or be jealous of your partner’s earnings.

2. Equal contribution: If you and your partner have been together for a long while, you should both contribute to your living expenses. Try to split the costs as evenly as possible to minimize any conflict.

3. Pre-nup: If you and your partner are hoping to be married, consider a prenuptial agreement. With the agreement, you and your partner can keep your financial assets separate. In the unfortunate event of a divorce, the divorce proceedings will be made much simpler.

How do you and your partner handle money and spending? Feel free to leave a comment below.

LeAnn Rimes Dotes on Eddie Cibrian's Kids at Easter Dinner



LeAnn Rimes

celebrated Easter in Venice, CA with hubby, Eddie Cibrian, and his two boys. According to [People](#), the couple looking adorable together as Rimes doted on Cibrian's two sons. In celebration of the Easter holiday, the happy family dined at the trendy Gjolina eatery.

What are some ways to gain the trust of your stepchildren?

Cupid's Advice:

When it comes to getting close to stepchildren, it can be a

very rocky road. While you are a parental figure, you're not actually a parent, which can leave a lot of uncertainty about the relationship. It's a difficult game, but if you play your cards right, you can form an excellent bond with your stepchildren:

1. Don't step on any toes: Make it clear from the beginning that though you are there for them, you're not trying to replace their parents.

2. Be patient: It takes time for children to adjust to change. Just because they don't warm up to you right away, doesn't mean they never will.

3. Remain open: Sometimes you may need to wait for the kids to open up to you on their own terms. Let them know you are there for them and are interested in getting to know them, take a step back, and wait for them to come to you.

Can stepparents form the same bond with their stepchildren as their biological parents? Share your thoughts below.

Demi Lovato Denies Rumors She's Getting Back Together with Joe Jonas





Demi Lovato and Joe

Jonas are back together, but only for Acuvue's 1-Day Starts Today Contest. According to UsMagazine.com, the former couple joined Allyson Felix, Meaghan Martine and Tyler Blackburn to film promos for the brand at a private residence in Malibu on February 8th. Prior to the shoot, Lovato denied internet rumors about her and ex Jonas getting back together. "We've been really good friends for so long. So it's been cool hanging out with him again," said Lovato. She confirmed that "nothing romantic" was occurring. Jonas said, "I've been lucky to be able to work with a lot of great people in my life, two of whom are Demi and Meaghan. Any time we see them, it's like a family reunion. We have catch-up time and reminisce."

How do you keep rumors from affecting your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

Rumors are relationship killers. They are hard to avoid and are always harmful. Here are some tips on how to keep them from ruining your relationship:

1. Tell the truth: Being open and honest with your beau will keep you and your partner happy. When your sweetheart knows everything that is going on in your life, there is no need for

them to get upset over rumors of you flirting with an old friend, when they know you caught up over ice cream.

2. Be confident: Don't let stories cloud your judgment. If you trust your partner, then believe what they say and push the nonsense aside.

3. Avoid unnecessary drama: Avoiding situations that will create more rumors will help keep your relationship from being torn apart. Don't have a public argument. Instead, keep it inside so that the grapevine is not telling everyone you broke up.

**How do you stop rumors from affecting your relationship?
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Renew Your Vows Like #1 Life Coach and Mariah Carey





By Evan Money

How can a Life Coach be proud of the fact that he's getting married for the 16th time? Well, in my case, I'm marrying the same woman! You see, my bride and I remarry in a different state or country ever year, and this year is number 16! We are not alone, however, as celebrities like Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon are following our lead and doing the same exact thing.

Whenever my bride and I share this story, most people respond by saying they would really like to do follow suit or that it sounds really [romantic](#). Guess what? It really is! And I highly recommend it for everyone, not just my clients. Here's my story:

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It all started 15 years ago when I heard a story about a successful business man who was married for 25 years, and he and his wife renewed their vows every year. As a newlywed and young businessman, it sounded like this idea would be a big help in having a successful marriage, something my bride and I desperately wanted. It seemed to us that most married people were divorced or miserable. We wanted to "live happily ever after," so rather than just saying, "Oh, that sounds like a

good idea," my wife and I chose to take action.

We just happened to be in Paris for our anniversary the next year. However it's not as romantic as you think, since we were chaperones for a group of high school students on a tour. My business had yet to take off, and money was really tight, but a funny thing happens when you make a real commitment – you can always find a way. So, lo and behold, my bride and I found ourselves in the City of Love for our first vow renewal. It was really pretty simple, as we had a small private ceremony in the gardens of Versailles (a famous French mansion) that lasted about five minutes. Simple, short and sweet, but our married lives were changed forever from that day forward.

When we returned home, we became so excited to plan our next renewal. We still didn't have any money, so we just needed to get creative, take action and find a way. We chose Arizona for our second renewal simply because we could drive there and not have to pay for airfare. We had some wealthy friends with a ranch in the city of Carefree and we had a fun ceremony on their private lake. My bride's bouquet was made of peacock feathers since they had a few of the majestic birds on the property. This ceremony was much bigger and more exciting, thanks to our friends help, and yet again, our married lives were changed forever. It seemed after each ceremony, our marriage bond became stronger and stronger. We were truly living happily ever after!

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Through the years as my business has grown, along with my love for my bride, we were able to do more exotic yet still highly creative vow renewals. Number 14 was in the Bahamas at the famous Atlantis resort. A friend of mine is one of the dolphin trainers, so we were able to have the ceremony in the water with the dolphins by our side. I had my best "mammal" and my bride had her brides "mammal." It was so amazing!

For those who have really connected with this idea, but are still having doubts or letting your limiting beliefs get in the way, I want to encourage you with these final thoughts:

If your limiting beliefs are around finances: If you're not willing to invest in your relationship, what else is there to invest in? The returns on renewing your vows is 1,000% more than the stock market or real estate.

If your limiting beliefs are about time: I have two young children that we home school, I run multi-million dollar corporations, I lead a non-profit, I volunteer with foster kids and even teach a high school class on entrepreneurship at a private school. Even with those commitments, every year my bride and I prioritize our time so we can leave the country or state and take two to five days for marital bliss.

Finally, for any of the guys that may be reading: Why would you only settle for one honeymoon in life? I'm on honeymoon number 16, and they just keep getting better!

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Tony Romo and Candice Crawford Welcome a Baby Boy





Tony Romo and

Candice Crawford welcomed their new son, Hawkins Crawford Romo, into the world on the evening of April 9th. "Hawkins Crawford Romo is now a part of the Dallas Cowboys family," said Rich Dalrymple, a Cowboys spokesperson, according to [People](#). Hawkins was born 8 lbs. 8 oz. Romo, 31, and Crawford, 25, were married in May 2011 and announced their pregnancy the following October.

What are some things to consider when you're naming your child?

Cupid's Advice:

The name you give your child is permanent and will reflect their precious life to come. Here are some considerations to make when naming your baby:

1. Your last name: When naming your baby, it's important to think about how the name will sound with your last name. Try selecting a few of your favorite names and put them together with your last name to see what sounds just right.

2. Your relatives: Carrying names through generations is very important in many families. If every man in your family has been sharing the same name, and it's just not your favorite,

you should consider using it as your new baby's middle name.

3. History: When you think of a name, it often brings back a memory of someone. When naming your baby, you don't want to always think back to the Amanda you sat next to in grade school and how bad she smelled. Talk to your significant other, and make sure the names you select don't ring any old bells.

What did you consider when naming your child? Share your stories below.

Adam Levine Was Reportedly 'Blindsided' By Anne V Breakup





Adam Levine was apparently not planning on being single anytime soon. After two years of dating, ex-girlfriend Anne Vyalitsyna was reportedly ready to move on. The problem was that Levine didn't get the memo, much like Seal with his impending divorce. According to UsMagazine.com, Vyalitsyna announced the break up to the world April 2 without giving him a heads-up. Friends saw it coming, however, citing a "lack of proposal" as one of the catalysts for the split.

How do you cope when a split seemingly comes out of nowhere?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes a breakup isn't always expected and can take you by surprise. Cupid shares how to deal with a split you just weren't ready for:

- 1. Take it slow:** Limit the stress in your life, and don't be too hard on yourself. It's not necessary to move on right away, so embrace the single life.
- 2. Acceptance:** To get to the stage of acceptance after a breakup, you must first get over the rejection. Cut yourself off from your ex, as you both weren't ready for the relationship and you each have to take your own amount of

responsibility. Once you can accept responsibility, you can accept the separation.

3. Move on: Make new friends, try something new and get out of the house. Your relationship is over, so don't drive yourself crazy thinking about why.

How do you get over an unexpected split? Share below.

Is Brad Pitt's Son Maddox Crushing on Celebrity Ex Jennifer Aniston?



It looks like [Angelina Jolie](#) may be having a case of the celebrity exes. Jolie's 10-year-old son Maddox has reportedly developed a

crush on Brad Pitt's celebrity ex [Jennifer Aniston](#), the *Enquirer* reported. Sources say that Maddox's fascination began after he and his nanny watched *Marley & Me* and has since caused the youngster to put posters of Aniston on his bedroom walls. "Maddox is infatuated with Jennifer, and Angelina is fuming," a close source told the tabloid. "Maddox simply likes Jen's sweet face and look."

With her child's room filled with pictures of Pitt's celebrity ex, Jolie can't seem to get away from her. What do you do if you can't avoid hearing about your partner's exes?

Cupid's Advice:

As if working at the same company with your partner's former flame isn't awkward enough, can you imagine having posters of your husband's celebrity ex in your house? Having to constantly hear about an ex can make for an uncomfortable situation. Here is some relationship advice to help you in that situation:

1. Don't let them see you sweat: It's no secret that hearing people say that your mate and their ex were the picture perfect couple is uncomfortable. As annoying as that may be, you can't let talk of old relationships and love get to you.

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2. Be confident: While people may constantly compare you to your arch nemesis, remember who you are. Hold your head high,

put on two coats of mascara, and keep smiling.

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3. Ignore it: People will always have something to say, and unfortunately, it's inevitable. But at the end of the day, all that really matters is how you and your love feel about each other.

How did you combat hearing about your partner's ex all the time? Share your experiences below.

Find Out Why Chloe Moretz Isn't Dating



In actress Chloe

Moretz's upcoming film, *Hick*, she runs away from her abusive parents, but her real life family is far from that in the movie. Not only are her parents very involved, so are her big brothers, and she blames them for her nonexistent love life.

"Because of my four older brothers, it just doesn't go down," she said according to [People](#). "I had a lot of friends and guys that I think are cute and stuff, but it doesn't really work out with the family and all. My family's a bit too big and a bit too abrasive." As for now, the 15-year-old star spends her time playing video games instead of dreaming about boys.

How do you keep your family from hindering your dating life?

Cupid's Advice:

Your family can have a lot of influence on your life, but they shouldn't have the final say on your dating life. Cupid has some tips to help you balance the situation:

1. Be discrete: When you're young, boyfriends and girlfriends seem to be more like a trend than anything long term, so unless it's serious, keep it under wraps. What your family doesn't know won't always hurt them, and it leaves a lot less interrogating for you.

2. Understanding: When you hit a certain age, there's a time when you and your parents need to have a talk about loosening the reins. If you let your parents, they would keep you under tight watch forever, especially if you're a girl, so come to an agreement about getting more freedom, but still respecting their rules.

3. Approval: Having your parents's approval of the person you're dating is the easiest way for the dating experience to go smoother. If they like the person you're seeing, they're more likely to let you see them more often without a hassle.

How do you keep your family from messing with your dating life? Share your comments below.

Country Crooner Jake Owen Prepares to Tie the Knot



Country star Jake Owen's proposal to girlfriend Lacy Buchanan was a total surprise, even to Owen himself. According to [People](#), Owen spontaneously decided to bring his fiancé on stage at the Citrus Bowl and proposed while serenading her. Without a ring, but with plenty of hugs and kisses, Buchanan said "yes."

Owen was so happy about getting engaged on the same stage he graduated on at Vera Beach High, that he tweeted, "I'm a happy man. Life is complete."

What are some unique ways to propose?

Cupid's Advice:

Proposals can be so cliché. It's important that you make your engagement personal. Here are some unique ways to pop the big question:

1. Think small: Sometimes the simplest proposal can be the most romantic. Proposing during dinner at home can be the perfect start to a long and happy life together.

2. Make it personal: Every couple has their own story. Think about something that is just between the two of you and let your imagination run wild.

3. The ultimate surprise: Sometimes just asking, ring or no ring, can be the best way to go. Surprises aren't for everyone, but might be the best idea for your proposal.

What unique way have you proposed or were proposed to? Share your comments below.

Reality Stars Who Found Real Love





By Samantha Mucha

For the past decade, the world has become infatuated with reality TV shows. However, most people are less interested in the everyday lives of the featured stars, but rather their drama-filled love lives.

There have been beds flying across rooms, as seen on MTV's *Jersey Shore* with Ron and Sam, and a couple of weddings on *The Bachelor* and *The Bachelorette*. We've been in shock, we've laughed and we've cried with reality stars as we sit on our couches and watch them make the same mistakes over and over again. No matter how many times the things happens, we're drawn in and simply cannot take our eyes off the screen.

Through all of the deceit and drama, most reality relationships end in failure; however, there are a few couples that beat the trend and have ended up happy and successful together:

1. Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi and Jionni LaValle: With Polizzi and LaValle expecting their first child and discussing future wedding plans, they proved they were able to make their love last ... at least for now. This couple fell in love quickly after meeting in New Jersey and began dating after hooking up with each other on *The Jersey Shore*; but when Polizzi left to

film in Italy, they ran into some issues. After a major argument and break up, the two lovebirds were able to restore their romance and are now happier than ever.

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2. Trista and Ryan Sutter: After being the runner up on *The Bachelor*, Trista went on to become the star of the first season of *The Bachelorette* where she met the love of her life, Ryan. They have been happily married for the past seven years and are now the proud parents of son, Max, and daughter, Blakesley. Although this pair's love story began on television, they opted out of raising their family in front of millions of viewers and cherish their "normal" life in Colorado. Trista told *Parade*, "We never would have met if it had not been for the show, so we're thankful for that. For the most part, we do live a quiet life out here, and I think it's definitely helped to keep us grounded and together."

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3. Matt Hoover and Suzy Preston: This duo's romance began after meeting on *The Biggest Loser* and quickly grew as the two took long walks while getting to know each other. Eventually, Hoover and Preston dined at a healthy restaurant for their first date after the finale and have been together ever since. Their success on *The Biggest Loser* gave them a unique foundation for their romance, and Hoover proposed to Preston live on the *Today* show. "I saw him at his worst, absolutely," Preston told *People*. "And he saw me at my worst. He saw me sweating and passing gas." Luckily, their sweat and hard work not only led them to healthy lifestyles, but to a happy marriage as well.

4. Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt: Ex-friend Lauren Conrad's show *The Hills* led this couple to meet. Although the show destroyed Montag and Conrad's relationship, it caused Pratt

and Montag's relationship to blossom. Through struggles and hardships this couple has managed to have a lasting marriage.

5. Nick Lachey and Vanessa Minnillo: Who would have thought a relationship could bloom out of recovery from a marriage gone wrong. This Hollywood duo began dating after Minnillo, the *Total Wipeout* host, starred in Lachey's music video "What's Left of Me" in 2006. The couple is happily married and are expecting their first child! Minnillo told *Dailymail*, "I can't wait to meet my new son or daughter!"

Who are some other reality couples that have found real love? Share your comments below.

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 [People](#). Jamie Spears, who's 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.

'Bachelor' Star Ben Flajnik Heads to Vegas Without Courtney





The Bachelor star

Ben Flajnik didn't seem to have any problems enjoying his stay in Las Vegas without his fiancée Courtney Robertson while on a business trip. According to [People](#), the former bachelor spent one night drinking and talking wine with the patrons of Joe's Stone Crab, and even played wingman for one of his buddies.

He spent another night at the *Criss Angel Believe* show enjoying popcorn and cocktails with two of his business partners, and they even got to go back stage and meet Criss Angel after the show.

How do you deal with your partner partying without you?

Cupid's Advice:

Partying without your partner can be a messy business, but it doesn't have to be. Cupid has some tips:

1. Trust: First and foremost, you and your partner have to trust each other. You're not going to be around to see how they're acting without you, so you have to have confidence that they will act appropriately. Otherwise, you're going to stress yourself out with unnecessary worrying.

2. Communication: Make sure that you don't follow the "out of sight, out of mind" phrase. You both need to be actively

trying to communicate with one another, and let them know that they're in the back of your mind.

3. Jealousy: Jealousy is an ugly quality and it can bring out the worst in us. Don't make an unnecessary scene or [cause a fight](#) for no reason or on false accusations because it will throw a wrench into your relationship.

How do you and your partner handle partying without one another? Share your comments below.

Love Advice For a Stronger Long-Term Relationship



By Ricky Peterson

Everyone wants to have a great long-term relationship that

keeps on getting better, but it simply won't happen without some effort on the part of both partners. Making a stable relationship and love work isn't always easy though, as we see many famous couples going through their ups and downs in public via celebrity news and gossip...and it's no different for us regular folk. That being said, here are four pieces of love advice (with help from some of our favorite celebrity couples!) that we can all use to make our relationships stronger.

Love Advice To Follow

1. Be prepared to listen to each other: Listening is the hallmark of all good relationships. If you don't listen to your partner or they don't listen to you, how can you hope to develop a strong relationship and love for the long haul? Talking is good, but recognize when listening is required of you, and practice doing it more often. Everyone feels more valued when their partner sits and really listens to them. Listening means comprehending and not just making the right noises in the right places!

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2. Don't ignore problems – they'll only get worse: You cannot hope to go through life with no problems at all. There might be minor setbacks in your relationship or problems that occur outside the relationship that affect you both. The trick is to never ignore them and to confront them head-on. Talk about these issues and decide how to tackle them as a team.

Celebrity Couple Example: Seal and Heidi Klum are a great example, as Seal's reported anger management issues seem to have caused a rift in their celebrity relationship. This is the sort of thing that, if worked on early, could have been resolved, possibly saving the marriage.

3. Never wait for the other person to apologize: The apologies have to come from both partners; otherwise, one of you will always be saying “sorry” even when the other one does something they shouldn’t. You’ve probably heard the idea that you should never go to bed angry, and that definitely applies in this case.

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4. Be positive in lots of little ways: We would all benefit from being more positive in our daily lives. For example, if your partner has a job interview, be sure to call them just before they go in to provide some support. Then, call them afterwards to see how it went. You could even plan a dinner to mark the event, whether they were successful or not. You can either congratulate them or provide support and let them know the experience was still a positive one because it will help them gain experience for a the future.

Celebrity Couple Example: [Angelina Jolie](#) and [Brad Pitt](#) have had their ups and downs, but recent reports of a date night show that they are at least making the effort. Sadly, the media is much more into reporting on Hollywood couples who are having problems than those who are happy, but little bits of effort like this can make all the difference. Let’s hope it works out for these two!

Stronger Relationships and Love

By following this love advice, it’ll be easier than you think to build a strong partnership that will survive the test of time. Be sure you know how to make the most of your relationship and love, and start putting more effort into it today for the best results in the future.

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Teen Mom' Star Leah Messer Marries for the Second Time



Only one year after filing for divorce from ex-husband Corey Simms, Leah Messer has tied the knot again. At only 19-years-old, Messer married fiancé Jeremy Calvert last week. This time though, Messer is convinced the marriage will last. "We have a really good connection...It's different from Corey and my relationship, because we were kinda like forcing it... With Jeremy, you know when you're supposed to be with somebody and you're not," Messer said, according to UsMagazine.com.

Is age a factor when it comes to marriage?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes people get married too young, but how do you know when age is a factor when it comes to marriage? Cupid has some tips:

1. Money: Though not always true, the older you are the more likely you are to have established yourself financially. It's important to be able to pull your weight in the relationship.

2. Independent: You have to determine if you are at that age where you know who you are as a person outside of a relationship. For some, that age may be 19, but for others it could be 35. If you are happy alone, you can be happy with someone else.

3. Divorce: According to studies, the divorce rates are lesser for those who marry later in life. When you marry later in life, you're more like to be stable in all aspects of life which makes for a stable marriage. Ultimately, though, when you know someone's *the one*, you just know.

Is age a factor for you when considering marriage? Let us know in a comment below.

LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian Dodge Pregnancy Rumors





LeAnn Rimes played an April Fools joke on all of those claiming she was pregnant with Eddie Cibrian. On April 1st at the 2012 Academy of Country Music Awards, Cibrian, 38, jokingly rubbed Rimes', 29, belly with a smirk on his face for all the cameras to see, according to UsMagazine.com. Cibrian is already the father of two boys, and Rimes has made it clear she isn't expecting any time soon. Turning to Twitter, Rimes has answered back to these false rumors in January, "I have never even tried. Please stop discussing my ovaries."

How do you know when it's the right time to have a child?

Cupid's Advice:

Some couples think that after marriage, comes children. Sometimes this is the case, but you have to make sure you are both ready for it instead of just jumping into it. Here are some ways to know you're prepared to have kids:

- 1. You are financially stable:** Having kids can be expensive. Not to put a price tag on them, but you have to consider all of the purchases that would come from the day they are born until they are ready to move out.
- 2. You have a strong relationship with your spouse:** Before

making the big decision to have a child, you should make sure it's a good time for both of you. A child can help make your relationship with each other even stronger, but if it's already in rough waters, it can end up breaking you up.

3. You are both settled down: When you first get married, most couples like to travel together and share some experiences together. That's why you need to make sure that's all out of your system by the time you have a child. You need to be settled in one spot where your child can grow up.

When do you think is the best time to have a child? Share your thoughts below.

Jennifer Lopez Gives Surprise Birthday Gift to Casper Smart





It's all about the surprise parties for Jennifer Lopez. The singer and *American Idol* judge gave much younger beau Casper Smart an intimate dinner party for his 25th birthday over the weekend, according to [People](#). Lopez "had planned a fun day to celebrate Casper's birthday," said a source. But that's not all the singer gave her back-up dancer, as she also gifted him a Dodge Ram truck. Lopez "knew that Casper really wanted a truck, and Casper was very excited about the generous gift," said the same source. It looks like things are getting serious with this controversial couple!

How do you know what to buy your partner for their birthday?

Cupid's Advice:

It's important to come up with a great gift to give your partner for their birthday, as sometimes the gift can mean something about your relationship. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Inside joke:** If you're going to forego a romantic gift, the next best thing is playing on one of the inside jokes you share together as a couple. If you often compare yourselves to Calvin & Hobbs, then buy some comic books for your mate.
- 2. Romance:** Some things you just can't go wrong with, like

jewelry and flowers. Although they're generic, they're also traditionally signs of love that your partner can't help but feel special receiving.

3. Ask friends: If you're getting desperate, tap into his or her friends for ideas. Often times an outside perspective can really help. Plus, she or he may have confided in their friends with their birthday gift wishes.

What did you get your partner for their last birthday? Share your comments below.

Courtney Cox Steps Out with a Mystery Man



Since her separation from ex David Arquette, Courtney Cox has been slow to move

on. In fact, she recently stated that she hasn't slept with anyone knew since the split. Last weekend, however, Cox was caught with a mystery man in West Hollywood at Chateau Marmont, according to [People](#). The man wore a suit, and the couple were situated in a table toward the back of the patio.

An onlooker says that the actress was smiling and pulled her hair up into a ponytail as she enjoyed the evening.

How do you know when it's time to move on after a separation?

Cupid's Advice:

Breaking up or separating can be very emotionally damaging, and sometimes it takes a while to get back up on your feet and move on. Cupid has some tips on how to know when it's time:

1. Grief completion: You may still harbor hurt feelings as a result of your split, but if you've completed the grief process and no longer cry into your pillow at night, it may be time to start getting out and experiencing what life has to offer again.

2. Time limit: Sometimes it's good to give yourself a set amount of time to heal after a breakup, and then move on after that point no matter what. You can't mope forever, as life is for living.

3. You're happy: If you find yourself smiling a lot and re-establishing your independence, it's now okay to let someone in.

How did you know it was time to move on from a breakup? Share your comments below.