## Kasey Kahl Discusses His Future with Vienna Girardi Post-Breakup





Bachelor Pad 2

couple, Kasey Kahl, 27, and Vienna Girardi, 25, are both keeping the option of reuniting open after their recent split. According to <u>UsMagazine</u>, Kahl and Girardi have bot said that they don't know what the future holds, but it could bring them back together. Looks like the two are still remaining friends for now.

Is it OK to leave the possibility of a rekindled romance open after a breakup?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Most breakups end miserably, but some close on good terms. Staying friends usually means that you think there's a chance

of eventually getting back together with your ex. Here are some things about which to be cautious:

- 1. The reasoning behind your breakup: The thing is, you probably broke up for a reason. If nothing in either of your lives has changed to affect that reasoning, there's probably no reason the relationship would work if you gave it a second shot.
- 2. It could get messy: Thinking about getting back together with your past love could lead to a "friends with benefits" situation and a huge mess of emotions. Be prepared.
- 3. Your partner's intentions: If you're going to rekindle a romance, it's important to have a long discussion with your ex before jumping back into things. Make sure you know what they expect from a relationship, so that you go into it with clarity.

Do you think it's okay to leave the possibility of a rekindled romance open after a breakup? Share your ideas below.

## Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel Show PDA at Dinner Party





Actress Jessica Biel

made a great hostess and girlfriend at her dinner party for Tod's at the Chateau Marmont. Biel and rumored boyfriend Justin Timberlake showed affection toward each other without overdoing it, and an onlooker told <u>People</u> that the two were "very sweet" together.

What are some ways to show affection without being obvious about it?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Showing too much PDA is almost never appropriate. Cupid has some advice on how to keep things classy:

- 1. Hand holding: Taking each other by the hand in public is a subtle way of showing others that you're together.
- 2. Little kisses: Locking lips in public can appear tacky, but a kiss on the cheek or the forehead is a cute way to display your affection. If you really can't refrain, keep your kisses to a short peck on the lips.
- **3. Affectionate invasion of space:** Flirting at an intimate distance can be a fun way to tease your partner, and others will enjoy seeing love in the air.

How do you show PDA without getting too risque? Share your comments below.

### Ashton Kutcher Describes What He Doesn't Like in a Woman





When it comes to a

newly single Ashton Kutcher, what you see is what you get. Though the reasons for Kutcher's split from Demi Moore have yet to be seen, the *Two and a Half Men* star, 33, discussed what he wanted in a woman in an interview before his sex scandal. He said that he "could never be with a woman who felt like she needed to change me." According to *People*, Kutcher may have cheated on his wife of six years, but this doesn't mean he's against the idea of compromise. He believes in "working on the relationship" and that the goal of it all

is "to be in a relationship."

What do you do if your partner holds some qualities that you don't like?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Everyone has flaws, and you're never going to find someone about whom you like absolutely everything. Here are some tips:

- 1. Think about why you want them to change: If you don't like something about your partner, make sure that the qualities you dislike aren't a major problem. If you're an impatient person, for example, you may be less likely to accept a partner who is perpetually late.
- 2. Have patience: It's important to note how necessary patience is in a relationship. Nobody can change overnight, and it can be very difficult to break a habit. Support your partner when they try to change something about themselves.
- **3. Compromise:** Is there something about yourself that bothers your partner? You can suggest that you and your partner both try to change some negative aspects of yourselves that may be affecting the relationship. If you change together, you're more likely to grow together.

What are some qualities you don't like in a partner? Share your thoughts below.

### Robert Downey Jr. Takes

### Pregnant Wife On Vacation





He's not Paul Avery,

but he is a father in training. Actor Robert Downey Jr. recently took his six-month pregnant wife Susan Levin on a weekend getaway to Hawaii where they snorkeled on the island of Kauai, according to <u>UsMagazine</u>. The couple will welcome their first child in February. Downey Jr. and Levin met in 2003 on the set of the movie <u>Gothika</u>. The star of <u>Sherlock Holmes</u> credits Levin for helping him remain sober. "There's no understanding for me of the bigger picture in real time in a hands-on way without her," he told <u>Esquire</u> in 2009. "Because it was the perfect, perfect matching of personalities and gifts."

What are some ways to make your pregnant significant other happy?

#### Cupid's Advice

You don't always have to take the future mother of your child

off to a weekend getaway in Hawaii, but do try to make her feel appreciated. Here are some smaller ways to do so:

- 1. 'Dinner's on me': Take some time to cook her favorite dinner. This will let her know just how special she is to you.
- 2. 'Need a foot-rub?': Do some little things for her around the house, make things easier for her while she's pregnant. She's the one carrying your child, which is work in and of itself.
- **3. 'Have the remote':** Let her know that you're there for her and ready to listen and take care of her needs. If she wants to watch a show, hand over the remote.

What are some other ways to make your pregnant partner happy? Share your ideas below.

## Giveaway: How to Run an Ad Campaign to Get More Dates





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#### By Robert Manni

In my novel, *The Guys' Guy's Guide to Love*, our main character, Max Hallyday, writes a column for a women's magazine doling out regular guy-style sagely advice to the ladies. He advises them about how men think and how to get them eating out of your hand. He takes a tough love approach, but he is honest and well intended. As a result…well, you'll have to pick up a copy of the book to find out what happens.

Let's follow Max Hallyday's lead and find out how to successfully advertise yourself in order to find lasting love. Whether you're selling love or mayonnaise, the same rules apply. Here are five steps:

#### 1. Know your target market.

Men and women spend a lot of time trying to figure each other out, but they may not take the time to explore what is going on within the culture of the opposite sex. For example, do you think guys know that today's women have different needs? In the past, relationships had major financial implications. Guys paid. Today, women are self-sufficient, so guys need to

address a woman's other needs. For guys, this is a very good thing as long as they are interested in fun, friendship and really getting to know a woman.

#### 2. Know your brand.

Look at how challenging it is for people to draft an online dating profile. There's so much going on around us that many folks do not take the time to sort out who they really are and what they really want. They usually want a lot of things, but a lot of it is reactive and propagated by the media. Do you really need hair like Jennifer Aniston or a booty like Kim Kardashian?

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#### 3. Know what your target wants.

Yes, that means that it is not all about you. That may be news to some, because many women and men feel entitled to the object of their desire, just because. C'mon, you've been there. If single men and women shifted their focus to what their prospective paramour really needs, there would be a sea change in dating. This is an area that is most often overlooked.

#### 4. Be fresh and fun.

It's easy to fall into line and continue following the same routine. Everyone is crazy busy, and who has the time to be creative anymore? You do. When you start thinking out of the box, your prospective partner will know and appreciate that you went the extra mile for them, whether it be a picnic for two in the park with a bottle of their favorite Chardonnay or tickets to the Met. Going the extra mile is noticed and appreciated. I still remember all the good things about a past relationship because of that stained glass window she had custom-made for me featuring a seascape since I have a place near the ocean. That was cool.

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#### 5. Ask for the order.

If you feel that you've done your homework and know who you are and who he or she is, and you still think that there is a chance that you'll avoid a battle to the death over who gets the iPad, then go ahead and let him know that you are available and that you've got what it takes to rock his world. Most likely he'll be more than appreciative. He'll be yours.

Robert Manni is the author of The Guys' Guy's Guide to Love and is a successful advertising industry veteran who has experienced the NYC single life first-hand for many years. His book offers an insider's look at New York's cutthroat yet alluring agency and media world, as well as a Madison Avenue perspective on how to use one's "creative selling" skills to seduce, date and sustain a relationship in a city full of savvy men and women.

GIVEAWAY ALERT: Cupid's Pulse has teamed up with Robert Manni to give a copy of The Guys' Guy's Guide to Love to one lucky reader! To enter, comment on this post below. Please be sure to use your real email address so we have a way of contacting you if you win — don't worry, your address won't be shown. If your email is not included, you will automatically be ineligible to win. This giveaway will run until 11:59 PM EST on Wednesday, November 30. Good luck!

This giveaway is now closed.

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## Jeremy London Is Called for Questioning About Girlfriend's Assault





According to <a href="People">People</a>,

Party of Five actor Jeremy London's girlfriend called the Palm Springs Police Department on Friday saying he assaulted her after an argument over the custody of their child. London's rep, Dominic Friesen, stated, "This is a false allegation and we understand that the police have to follow protocol in issuing and arrest warrant — standard when any woman files a complaint of domestic abuse. However, no such abuse occurred and these allegations will soon be proven false." Further, Friesen said, "Jeremy's legal counsel is cooperating with authorities and a factual account of the incident is on record. We anticipate Jeremy to be cleared of any wrongdoing as he continues to enjoy fatherhood and embrace sobriety."

What are the first three steps to take if you've been

#### assaulted by your partner?

#### Cupid's Advice:

- 1. Tell someone: Don't keep the information to yourself; it'll make you vulnerable. Tell someone you trust.
- 2. Get help: Call the police and/or a domestic violence agency to get help.
- **3. Leave:** If you're assaulted by your partner, that means they don't respect you. The best thing you can do for yourself is to leave the relationship.

Let us know other steps to take if someone is assaulted by their partner by commenting below.

## Mila Kunis Keeps Promise and Attends Marine Corps Ball





woman of her word. The actress made headlines last summer when she accepted an invitation to a Marine Corps Ball from Sgt. Scott Moore, reports *People*. The *Friends with Benefits* star kept her promise and attended the ball, in Greenville, North Carolina, on Friday. "She's going to get a chance to learn about the Marine Corps, and we're all going to have a great time celebrating the Marine Corps birthday," said Marine spokesperson Capt. Scott Sasser. Sgt. Moore asked Kunis to the event in a YouTube video after making a bet with a fellow marine. "I always thought I had a chance, and sometimes, that's all you need," he said.

#### What do you do if your partner continuously breaks promises?

#### Cupid's Advice:

If your partner frequently goes back on their word, you may need to take a deeper look at your relationship. Here are a few suggestions:

1. Raise the stakes: If you make it harder for your partner to go back on their word, they may be discouraged from breaking promises. Talk about how much an upcoming date means to you, or stress the importance of a certain event. Hopefully, your partner will recognize that this is not something of which

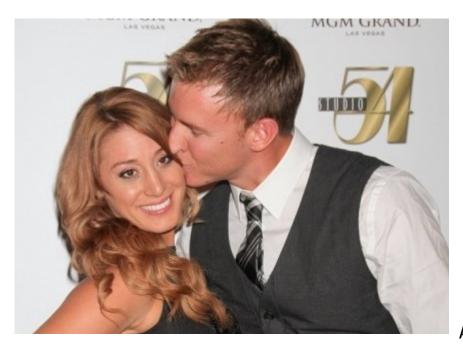
they can back out.

- 2. Limit your patience: Though being forgiving is a virtue, too much of it can harm your relationship. You can let a few broken promises slide, but be careful not to become a pushover.
- **3. Talk to your partner:** If you feel your partner will only respond to a direct approach, then talk to them. Tell them how their broken promises are insulting you and hurting your relationship. Hopefully, your partner will apologize and make a change.

Have you had a partner that has broken promises? Feel free to share your thoughts in a comment below.

## Charlie Sheen Reunites with Denise Richards for Kid's Soccer Game





According to

RadarOnline, Charlie Sheen spent Saturday in Calabasas, Calif. with his ex-wife Denise Richards while attending his daughter's soccer game. Sheen and Richards watched from the sidelines with daughters Lola and Sam and were seen laughing and joking with each other. Although Sam's team lost, Charlie announced on Twitter afterward, "Saturday is soccer! Here's three great reasons why I love my weekends!" and posted a picture of himself, Richards and his daughters.

How do you remain civil with your ex after a bitter falling out?

#### Cupid's Advice:

After a divorce, it's difficult to remain civil with your ex, although it's not entirely impossible. Here are three ways:

- 1. Be understanding: After a bitter break-up, you both will experience different emotions toward one another. When interacting, stay calm and try to understand each other, especially if you are at one of your child's events.
- 2. Arrive single: While at a joint celebration, never arrive with a date unless it has been many years since the divorce took place. Introducing your new partner might upset not only

your ex, but also your children.

3. Have rules: Work things out and speak with your ex about how you can both remain civil at functions so that you don't upset those around you.

How you do remain civil with your ex? Share your ideas below.

## How to Avoid the Reality Show Relationship Curse





By Brea Gunn

One more Hollywood divorce has entered the official records. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries' fairy tale marriage lasted less than three months. Say what you will, but I think that this whole mess could have been avoided if they made their

relationship more private. When you live your life so publicly, I'm sure that it's difficult to separate reality ... from reality TV. Even so, it seems that many stars have been swept away with the ratings, only to realize that they aren't as perfectly matched as they originally thought.

Why don't we start at the beginning of the end? Here are seven former celebrity duos whose relationships may or may not have dissolved as a result of being featured on reality TV:

- 1. Jessica Simpson and Nick Lachey: We all fell in love with Jessica Simpson and Nick Lachey on their series, Newlyweds. She was so sweet and innocent, and he was her protector. Unfortunately, they split shortly after their show wrapped in 2005.
- 2. Carmen Electra and Dave Navarro: This former couple took a run at reality television, too. They split while planning their wedding because they had agreed to air their plans on MTV and couldn't make up their minds.
- **3. Hulk Hogan and Linda Hogan:** Hulk and wife Linda split after filming multiple seasons of *Hogan Knows Best*.

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- **4. Jon Gosselin and Kate Gosselin:** This duo lasted longer than most, but split during their series that focused on them and their eight children.
- **5. Travis Barker and Shanna Moakler:** Remember *Meet the Barkers*? The former couple filed for divorce after only two seasons ... and two and a half years of marriage. This on-and-off again couple is still a little confused about whether they should be together or not.
- **6. Christopher Knight and Adrianne Curry:** Christopher Knight, a.k.a. Peter Brady, and his love, *America's Next Top Model* winner Adrianne Curry, split in May of this year. Apparently

their show, My Fair Brady wasn't enough to keep them together.

7. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries: Let's face it: This whole debacle is going to be well overplayed while their divorce is pending.

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The question is, what can you learn from all of these couples? A lot, actually. And your other half will thank you. Here are a few quick tips:

#### Have a Courtship

It's old fashioned, but it's necessary. Kim and Kris dated for six months and look where it got them. Yes, Khloe and Lamar were engaged and married much faster and they are happily married, but they're the exception, not the rule. So take your time and date your mate a while before deciding on mariage. You'll learn more about each other, and be more prepared for a lifetime.

#### Watch for Warning Signs

I don't want anyone to be paranoid, but think about this: how often did Kim and Kris fight during their relationship? I'm not talking about the little disagreements, like where to have dinner. I'm talking about kids, your home, and money. If you can't come to an agreement that makes you both happy, you're not going to be happy, and you'll follow in some pretty famous footsteps.

#### Discuss the Big Stuff

Before the wedding, hash out all of the big issues. Discuss kids, money, location, pets and general life preferences. These are big items that you need to agree on before you walk down the aisle.

And after you've tied the knot, how do you keep your

relationship going strong? The most important thing is to remember three simple words: I love you. Say them, and then say them again.

Brea Gunn writes about the best Westchester wedding venues. Check out what these wedding business marketing insiders have to share.

## Nikki Reed Says Marriage Is 'Easy Breezy' So Far





In light of the

recent influx of celebrity divorces, it's great to come across a happy and healthy Hollywood marriage. Nikki Reed, who tied the knot with *American Idol*'s Paul McDonald, told <u>People</u>, "The

first year [of marriage] is not the hardest. Gosh, if this is the hardest, then it's gonna be easy breezy." She added that even under the most stressful situations, she and her new husband still make a great team.

As a newlywed, how do you set a good precedent for your marriage?

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#### Cupid's Advice:

It's important set the precedent for a healthy relationship from the beginning, not just when it comes to marriage, but also when it comes to dating. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Don't sweat the small stuff: Fighting over silly things is a waste of time and can only put an unnecessary riff between you and your partner.
- 2. Speak up: If your partner says or does something you don't like, tell them from the beginning that their behavior is unacceptable.
- 3. Be their best friend: A perfect partner isn't just a lover, but also a best friend.

How do you connect with your partner early on? Share your thoughts below.

### Connie Britton Adopts a Son

### from Ethiopia





Connie Britton, star

of the new hit series, *American Horror Story* is the proud new mom of a baby boy from Ethiopia. Britton finally got to bring nine-month-old Eyob home after a three-year- long adoption process. According to *People*, the 44-year-old actress is happy for motherhood and says that her son has completed her.

What are some ways to bond with an adopted child?

#### Cupid's Advice:

When you adopt a child, bonding can be difficult. Here are some tips for you and your child to become comfortable with each other. Bonding takes time, but with love, it will happen sooner than later:

1. Teach and learn: If your child is from a different background than you, take time to explore their culture together. A trip to a museum, library, or restaurant when

they're older will bring you closer.

- 2. Interact with your baby: You are not the child's biological parent, so eye contact during feedings are important to your baby getting to know you and creating a bond stronger than any biological relationship. Try a baby massage class to learn the value of touch.
- 3. Interact with your older child: Older children take a little more time to bond with, but the techniques are the same. Love, conversation, eye contact, touch and honesty will do the trick. Remember that growing close takes time.

How did you bond with your adopted child? Share your experiences below.

## Tori Spelling Calls Dean McDermott Her Soul Mate





What do you get a

man who has everything as a birthday gift? For Dean McDermott's birthday, wife, Tori Spelling, posted a love letter to him on her website where she called McDermott her soul mate. "I would dream of you for so long," Spelling wrote. "So many represented you. My dad. Every Ken doll I ever played with. Every prince in every Disney cartoon. The lead character in every John Hughes film. Not one guy I ever dated. And, then you became a reality." According to <u>People</u>, the two who wed in 2006 just welcomed their third child, Hattie.

#### What are some signs that your partner is "the one"?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Everyone is looking for "the one." So when you find him or her, hold onto them. Here are some signs that "the one" may be right in front of you:

- 1. You dream of them: When you've found your soul mate, you spend your days daydreaming about them and your nights unable to sleep because you're so excited to be with them.
- 2. You can't stop smiling: Those in love are all smiles. When you find "the one", you may find yourself smiling at inappropriate times because you just can't contain your

happiness.

3. They dream of you: If they spend as a much time dreaming, thinking, and smiling about you, they are "the one."

How do you tell your partner that you think they're the one? Share your ideas below.

## Celebrity Couples Who Like to Shop





By Nisha Ramirez

We know celebrities love to shop, but celebrity couples who do it together are super cute! There's something about a guy holding a women's department store bag that makes us melt. In the real world, hitting the mall with your sweetheart can mean total boredom for him and a headache for you. Maybe these celeb duos aren't captured on camera arguing because they don't have to look at price tags. Whatever the reason, below are five of Hollywood's most well-known fashion-seeking duos we can't help but admire:

1. Gwen Stefani and Gavin Rossdale: This married couple are always photographed and filmed with two things: their children and their shopping bags. Paparazzi regularly capture the rocker family cruising store aisles in style. They love fashion so much that Gwen even launched her own line. This family makes spending a paycheck look fun.

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- 2. Jessica Simpson and Eric Johnson: This engaged duo and parents-to-be are always spotted together, in and out of retail stores. Since Jessica Simpson's pregnancy announcement, something tells us that the two will be shopping less for orange Birkin bags and more for onesies and designer baby clothes.
- **3. Emma Watson and Johnny Simmons:** Thank goodness shopping is universal. Emma Watson and her new man, Johnny Simmons, went on a Paris shopping outing last summer. In fact, *People* reports that Watson tried on clothes and modeled them for Simmons in boutiques around the City of Lights. There's nothing like relying on your partner to give you an honest opinion.
- **4. Reese Witherspoon and Jim Toth:** This actress and her agent know how to create romance out of a day perusing the shops. *Zimbio* caught the pair with their hands full of more than just shopping bags. The two lovingly shared hugs and kisses in between Witherspoon's visit to fitting rooms.
- 5. Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith: After dodging rumors of a divorce last August, the Smiths used a day of shopping to

prove to the world that their relationship was still going strong. The couple must believe in therapy—retail therapy, that is—because they are always spotted window shopping. Their last big purchase? Part ownership of the Philadelphia 76ers.

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If you and your partner are dying to get out of the house and spend some quality time together, shopping may be the answer. You're sure to have a smile on your face when you're walking around in brand new high heels or a gorgeous multi-colored scarf around your neck.

How does your significant other feel about shopping with you? Share your experiences below.

# Ruben Studdard Files for Divorce From Wife Surata Zuri McCants





American Idol Season

2 winner Ruben Studdard is divorcing his wife of three years, reports <u>UsMagazine</u>. "Ruben and Zuri have gone their separate ways," said Studdard's rep. Studdard, 33, married Surata Zuri McCants in Mountain Brook, Alabama on June 28th, 2008. The couple shares no children.

What are three things to consider before filing for divorce?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Even when a relationship seems over, it may still have some redeeming qualities. Here are a few things to consider before filing for divorce:

- 1. Your emotions: Many relationships go through rough patches. Make sure that your relationship is beyond repair and that you have absolutely no feelings left for your partner when you file for divorce.
- 2. Children: If you and your partner share children, you may want to consider extensive couple's therapy. Your decision will affect not only you and your partner's lives, but your children's lives as well.
- 3. Financial stability: Going through a split can be very expensive. If you and your partner can't afford to pay for

lawyers, it might be best to hold off for a time when the divorce settlements can be handled properly.

Have you gone through a divorce? Feel free to leave a comment with your thoughts below.

## Demi Lovato Catches Bouquet at Disney Co-Star's Wedding





The wedding fairies

may be trying to tell former Disney star Demi Lovato something. The actress recently attended her former *Sonny with a Chance* co-star Tiffany Thornton's wedding, and she caught the bride's bouquet at the reception, according to *UsMagazine.com*. Lovato wasn't shy about her accomplishment, either, as she went straight to Twitter to tell the world. "Such a beautiful day," Lovato tweeted. "Congrats to the new

Mr. and Mrs Chris Carney! P.S. Guess who got the bouquet? ME!"

How do you deal with your man when he freaks out after you catch the bouquet?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Catching the bride's bouquet at a wedding traditionally means you'll be the next to tie the knot. This can send your man into a full-on panic. Here's how to keep him calm:

- 1. Don't make it a big deal: After you catch the bouquet, play it cool. Don't make a big fuss or put any pressure on your man. This will only make him more stressed.
- 2. Keep expectations out of it: Make it clear that the bouquet doesn't change your mindset about your relationship. Make it be known that you don't have any outstanding expectations as a result.
- **3. Play it off as superstition:** Make it be known that you are fully aware that the bouquet tradition is purely superstition, and simply laugh it off.

How do you calm your beau's nerves post-bouquet catching? Share your ideas below.

## Heather Locklear and Jack Wagner Call Off Their

### **Engagement**





Their characters may

have tied the knot on *Melrose* place a year ago, but Heather Locklear and Jack Wagner won't be heading to the alter anytime soon. According to *People*, the couple have called off their engagement. The pair, who got engaged in August, had the full approval of Locklear's daughter, Ava. "Ava was so excited when we told her," said Lockclear. "She hugged Jack, said congratulations, and she immediately wanted to see the ring. Then she ran and Facebooked her new stepbrother."

How do you know when it's time to call off an engagement?

#### Cupid's Advice:

When you're set to marry, it can be difficult to just call everything off ... especially after you've already told everyone about your wedding plans. Here are some ways to know it's time to say "no" to marriage:

- 1. Wedding plans have ceased: If you don't feel like planning your wedding and your partner feels the same way, it's probably a sign that neither of you are ready to tie the knot. It doesn't necessarily mean you have to break up, but there's no reason to rush into marriage right away.
- 2. You have doubts: Pay minor doubts no mind, as everyone has worries. But when you start having major doubts about the future of your relationship, it's time to start questioning why you're getting married in the first place.
- 3. You're not excited: Weddings are a joyous occasion and if you're not anxious for yours, that's not good. Sometimes peer pressure and family obligations can lead you into a marriage you're not ready for, so beware of that and stand your ground.

How did you know when to call off your engagement? Share your experiences below.

## Are Cameron Diaz and Diddy Hooking Up?





Cameron Diaz and

Alex Rodriguez may have called it quits, but she isn't giving up on men just yet. The actress is rumored to have reunited with her on-and-off again hookup Sean "Diddy" Combs. The duo has reportedly gone public, and eyewitnesses have reported seeing them "making out" and "acting romantic." This wouldn't be a problem if Combs wasn't currently dating his model girlfriend, Cassie, of three years. A friend told <code>UsMagazine.com</code> that, "Diddy's single whenever there's a better offer on the table!"

What are some signs that your partner is cheating on you?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Are you suspicious that your partner is sneaking around? It's important to trust your gut. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Change in behavior: If your significant other is suddenly overly nice or incredibly rude, it might be a sign that something's up. Also, if you feel like you can never trust anything they're saying because the story never adds up, it's probably something you'll have to explore.
- 2. He's avoiding you: When they're constantly hanging out in a group of friends without you or is claiming to "be too busy to

spend time with you," it's time to ask deeper questions.

3. His appearance has changed: You may have noticed that looks have suddenly become a priority to your mate. If he gels his hair of has started trending a new wardrobe, it's possible he's trying to impress someone besides you.

How did you catch your man cheating? Share your experiences below.

## Rumor: Britney Spears Could Be Engaged After Her Tour Ends





Apparently three

times really may be the charm in this case. Britney Spears

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

#### How do you know when to pop the question?

#### Cupid's Advice:

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

- 1. Family: If your family is crazy about your partner, then he or she is likely a keeper. Do either of you have children? If you have already begun to raise kids as a team, it might be time to make it official.
- 2. You find yourself looking at rings: Talking about marriage and kids is one thing, but actually window shopping or surfing the net for a ring may mean that your ready to take the next step in your relationship.
- 3. Commitment: An engagement means a commitment to each other, and the ring lets other men and women know that your partner is happily taken. Some couples decide to stay engaged and forget marriage, while others enjoy a long engagement before sealing the deal. Whatever you and your partner choose, if you're in love and ready to make a commitment, its time to pop the question.

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

## Kim Kardashian: Starring in Her Own Life Story





By Amy Beth O'Brien

Regardless of what you may think of the Kim Kardashian/Kris Humphries whirlwind marriage, you have to admire a woman who knows how to play to her strengths. Ever since Kim's life became the subject of an E! reality TV show, her life became a business. Like any good businesswoman, she knew when to cut her losses.

Whereas most women in the non-reality world may have ignored the inner voice that told us we were making a mistake with our marriage and then spent years trying to make it work, Kim called it quits before anyone invested any more time or money.

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How many of us would have stuck it out because our parents spent a ton of money on the wedding and 400 guests bought us presents? How many would have been embarrassed to admit they made a mistake? Maybe we would have let it go on for years, had an affair, or brought a child or two into the equation in an effort to do what we thought was the right thing.

After it ended, we'd tell our friends how we knew it wasn't right from the beginning. We just got so caught up in the wedding preparations and the desire for a fairy tale ending that we ignored the nagging inner voice of wisdom that told us we were on a road to nowhere with Mr. Wrong.

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It's a given that allowing your life to be put on display is probably not the best idea if you want your marriage to succeed, but for Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries, I suspect they're no different from the thousands of other people who get married every year without enough forethought, only to wind up divorced. It's just that most of us would tie ourselves in knots trying to make it work and spend years in therapy avoiding the inevitable. We'd continue putting on a show for the sake of everyone around us, instead of acknowledging the reality of our lives. After a respectable amount of time passed, we'd finally give in and end it—an undefined amount of time that told society we at least gave it a shot.

Instead of judging Kim's 72-day marriage, perhaps we should admire her for being a little more real than the rest of us,

having the savvy and the courage to play a starring role in her own life, and writing a script where the happy ending isn't the marriage, but in this case, a divorce.

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## 'Bachelor' Couple Vienna Girardi and Kasey Kahl Call It Quits





Add another break-up

to The Bachelor and The Bachelorette bunch, because another

couple has split. Vienna Girardi and Kasey Kahl became an item on the reality show Bachelor Pad when they took a second shot at love, but the couple has decided to go their separate ways. "Yes vienna and I have split. It's been 5 weeks now. I can't fake it anymore. I will always love, be there for her, and wish her the best," Kahl posted to Twitter. "@KaseyRKahl will always be my best friend, but yes we have split. No idea what the future holds for us but we will always remain friends," replied Girardi, also via Twitter.

How do you know when it's time to go your separate ways?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Breakups aren't always easy, and it's hard to be sure when you're ready to split from your partner. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. You're having doubts: If you've started to second guess your relationship, figure out why you feel that way. It's important to have confidence in your relationship together, and if you don't, who will?
- 2. The novelty has worn off: The beginning of a relationship is the most thrilling part because it's all new and exciting. If you've stopped growing as a couple, there's no point in pretending it's going to work long term.
- 3. You don't see them in your future: If you can't imagine spending the rest of your life with this person, don't continue to waste your time or theirs.

How did you know when to end your last relationship? Share your comments below.

## Jake Pavelka Goes Public With His New Model Girlfriend





The Bachelor star

Jake Pavelka, 33, is a bachelor no more. Pavelka is now a dating graduate of the University of Central Florida and a contestant on CMT's Sweet Home Alabama, Ashley Ann Vickers. The relationship is fairly new, as they met on the set of the CW show H8r and just this past Saturday hit the beach for some couple-time. According to UsMagazine.com, Vickers' website says she is a Southern born lady who competed in the Miss USA pageant and modeled for Maxim. But her true passion lies in motivation, as she "hopes to become a full time motivational speaker for college kids" in the future. If her website is anything to go by, Vickers seems like a keeper.

What are some things to consider before going public with your relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

It's tough to know when the right time is to tell your friends and family about a new relationship. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Determine your motives: Why do you want to go public with your relationship? If it's because you want to share the source of your happiness, then it's probably time to tell family and friends. If it's because you want to avoid awkward questions from friends and family, that may not be a good enough reason.
- 2. Label it: Figure out what the title you're going to give your relationship. There's nothing more awkward than going to introduce someone and not knowing what exactly to call the relationship. If you can talk about that, you're ready to go public.
- **3. Give a head's up:** There's nothing worse than introducing your partner and having a family member or friend share some embarrassing information. Avoid awkward introductions by giving forewarning.

How did you decide to go public with your relationship? Share your thoughts below.

# Fame, Fortune and Love: The World's Wealthiest Celebrity Couples





By Whitney Baker

Hollywood's It Couples outshine us regular folks in more ways than one: they're happily in love; they live extravagant and fame-filled lives; and they have more money than they can possibly spend. With a total of over \$535 million divided among them, the celebrity couples on our list better have some shopping to do — or they're going to be carrying around quite a few hefty wallets. Here they are:

1. Beyoncé and Jay-Z: This celebrity couple is not only the wealthiest couple on our list — raking in nearly double the next-richest duo — but perhaps the busiest as well. Pocketing nearly \$124 million, they earned their paychecks from music sales and singing gigs, as well as endorsement deals and clothing lines.

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<u>Game</u>

2. Harrison Ford and Calista Flockhart: Ford owes Indiana Jones a big thank you: the most recent installment, *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*, earned the action star over \$66 million. Flockhart starred in the ABC drama *Brothers & Sisters* (cancelled earlier this year after five seasons), bringing their collective income to over \$70

million.

- **3. Gisele Bundchen and Tom Brady**: These pretty faces earned a combined \$63 million last year. *Forbes* ranked Bundchen the world's highest-paid model for the third-consecutive year, stating that her runway work and cover photos earned her \$45 million. During football season, Brady receives his \$18-million-a-year paycheck.
- **4. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie**: Reports from *The Sun* reveal that this famous couple spends \$10 million a year on their six children alone, accounting for only a fraction of their combined yearly salary of \$55 million. Another big chunk of their paycheck? They are currently renovating the \$56 million French Chateau that they call home.
- **5. Will and Jada Pinkett Smith**: With wife Pinkett Smith focusing her efforts on behind-the-scenes work (both writing and producing), there's no doubt that Smith makes his mark on the big screen. Grossing over \$5.8 billion at worldwide box offices and commanding \$20 million per film, Smith is the primary contributor to the couple's joint \$50 million a year income. With a paycheck like that, it's no wonder the couple is raising their family in a 25,000 square foot mega-mansion in Calabasas, Calif.

And now for the runner-ups:

**6. David and Victoria Beckham**: It looks like their 2007 move from London to Los Angeles is paying off, with the couple earning \$46.5 million in 2010. David's soccer career is supplemented with a few highly lucrative product endorsements, such as Armani and the after-shave and fragrance line called David Beckham Instinct, and Victoria has found chic success through her self-titled fashion line.

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- 7. Ellen DeGeneres and Portia de Rossi: With Oprah running her own television network instead of hosting her show, DeGeneres is sitting pretty as the queen of daytime talk shows. De Rossi has been busy with her recent acting on Better Off Ted and sales from her memoir, Unbearable Lightness: A Story of Loss and Gain, making the couple's combined income \$36 million.
- 8. Gwyneth Paltrow and Chris Martin: Currently raising their two children in London, this overseas couple brings in a joint paycheck of \$33.5 million per year. While Martin depends on the worldwide success of Coldplay, the Oscar-winning actress's recent accomplishments include her performance in *Country Strong* and her guest appearances on *Glee*, as well as her family-focused cookbook, *My Father's Daughter: Delicious, Easy Recipes Celebrating Family & Togetherness*.
- **9. Sarah Jessica Parker and Matthew Broderick**: The New York City-based couple brings in over \$29 million a year, with Parker as the unequivocal breadwinner. She recently left her position as chief creative officer of Halston Heritage, but has plenty of other lucrative projects to fall back on, including that of movie star, perfumer and spokeswomen, not to mention her starring and producing roles in the Sex & the City television series and movies. Broderick has switched gears since his teen heartthrob days (circa Ferris Bueller's Day Off) and now focuses his acting efforts on Broadway.
- 10. Tim McGraw and Faith Hill: Thanks to the talents of these two country superstars, they brought in a combined income of nearly \$28.5 million. McGraw has enjoyed 21 number one singles on the Billboard Hot Country 100 charts and recently ventured into acting, appearing in hit movies such as *The Blind Side* and *Country Strong*. Meanwhile, Hill's musical prowess has earned her a Grammy Award, American Music Award and the People's Choice Award.

Who is your favorite wealthy celebrity couple? Share your

## Rob Pattinson Thinks Kristen Stewart Looks "Amazing" as a Bride





Aside from the Royal

Wedding and Kim Kardashian's fairy tale nuptials, the *Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part I* is due to premiere in just a couple of days with one of the most anticipated "I do's" of the year. To the building anticipation to see Kristen Stewart make her way down the aisle, Rob Pattinson had this to say: "It's a white dress," he joked. "But it's beautiful, it's an incredible dress. She looks amazing." Not only did Pattinson enjoy seeing his on-and-off-screen girlfriend all glammed up in her wedding dress, but he also gained a new appreciation

for real-life nuptials, according to <u>People</u>. As the on-screen groom, he realized that his role in the wedding was minuscule compared to Stewart's. "She had to deal with all the nerves, all the heavy lifting in the scene," said Pattinson. "You suddenly realize that the role of a man, the role of a groom in a wedding, is that of a prop."

What are three ways that a man can best contribute to the planning of his wedding?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Weddings can be stressful and exciting at the same time. Don't let your man miss out on all the hard work or the fun. Here are some ways to have him contribute:

- 1. Taste tester: Men love any excuse to eat, so take them along to taste all the possible flavors for your wedding cake and dinner meal. Along with the joy of sitting next to his bride-to-be, a satisfied belly can only add to the happiness. Also, if alcohol is being served at the reception, make sure his favorites are on the menu.
- 2. Let him manage the budget: If he has good math skills, let him handle the money side of things. This way he will feel in charge, while you still have the opportunity to pick the theme and create the wedding of your dreams ... without going broke.
- 3. Help make the lists: There are two important lists that contribute to a wedding's success: the invitation list and the DJ's playlist. Sit down and write the them together. It'll be a good way to get even more excited about the big day together.

How did your hubby help with the wedding plans? Share your comments below.

## David and Victoria Beckham Get Cozy at Kid's Soccer Game





What's one of the

reasons we love the Beckhams? They are family-oriented and are not afraid to be affectionate in public. RadarOnline reported that the two were hugging and laughing while at their son's soccer game. When soccer star dad, David Beckham, wasn't taking proud pictures and Victoria wasn't giving baby Harper her undivided attention, the couple made sure to sneak in plenty of intimate moments.

What are some ways to keep the romance alive after you have kids?

#### Cupid's Advice:

- 1. Body contact: Intimacy is the key to keeping the flame between you and your partner lite. Hugging, holding hands, and rubbing his/her arm shows that you care and are sexually attracted to your partner, in a G rated kind of way.
- 2. Date night: Going out on a date once a week can be difficult when you have kids, but staying in can really be romantic. Turn your dining room into a restaurant or your bedroom into a spa for you and you partner to relax and enjoy each other.
- 3. Be thoughtful: Give your partner a gift, but have the kids be a part of it. Want to give her roses? Let the little ones pick it out, this way romance isn't lost and neither is time spent with the kids.

How do you romance with your partner?