Johnny Weir and Ex Victor Voronov Fight Over Family Dog





By Louisa Gonzales

Johnny Weir and soon-to-be ex-husband Victor Voronov recently settled their custody battle over their family dog. According to TMZ, during their divorce proceedings, Voronov filed papers to request that their dog Tëma be returned to him. The Olympic figure skater believed that the dog rightfully belongs with him because he was allegedly a "make-up gift." He says he was also the one who trained and took care of the dog. For now, they have agreed to joint custody. Additionally, Voronov is seeking financial support from Weir because, according to his attorney, he gave up everything to be with him, including his career.

How do you compromise during a breakup when you're upset?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes, without warning, relationships fizzle out, and no matter what, it's never easy. Cupid has some advice on how you can make compromises during a breakup, even when you're upset.

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- 1. Be reasonable: Keep in mind that you're both going through the split, so you're both experiencing a rough and difficult time. Clear you head and try to keep calm before you start dividing up your shared assets. It's best to go into a difficult situation with a sensible mind because it will make things run more smoothly and help make the breakup easier.
- 2. Ask yourself what's really best for you: As you make major decisions, ask yourself what you really want. If you're only doing certain things because you want to hurt your ex, know that it'll only make you feel better temporarily. In the long run, remember what is truly important to you. Do you want to move on and find happiness with someone new or continue arguing over the past?

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3. Be fair: The only way to get through the end of your relationship as smoothly as possible and without any pointless fights is to be fair. You both know it's over, so why make things more difficult for by being unreasonable? Really think about who deserves to get what. Don't be that person who plays dirty or fights unfairly.

How do you make compromises during a breakup when you're upset? Share your tips below.

'Bachelor Pad' Stars Tenley Molzahn and Kiptyn Locke Are Back Together





By Louisa Gonzales

Looks like former *Bachelor Pad* stars, Tenley Molzahn and Kiptyn Locke have reunited and couldn't be happier. The couple first met and got together on the show after being runner-ups on *The Bachelor* and *The Bachelorette*, respectively, but broke up last year. Now fast-forward to now the reality stars have rekindled their flames, and according to *People*, have been back on "for several months now". What helped the two stars reconnect? Reportedly being out of the public eye has benefited their relationship and allowed the lovers to focus on the future. The pair's latest romantic outing was on Valentine's Day, out of the spotlight at Hotel Del Cornado in San Diego, where Locke surprised Molzahn with a gondola ride and together they oversaw the sunrise and rising of the moon.

The T.V. sweethearts are excited for their second chance and Molzahn confesses marriage could be on the horizon for the two lovebirds.

What are some things to consider before getting back together with an ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Relationship don't always work out, sometimes it's for the best and other times things get in the way. Being alone can be hard and make you wish you were in a relationship, but it's not always easy finding someone right for you. What if you think you already met the person you want to be with, but it didn't work out the first time? Cupid has advice on things to consider before reuniting with your ex:

1. It's more than just loneliness: Do you really miss your ex, or are you just scared of being alone? If the only reason you want to reunite is because your lonely, that is not a good enough reason to get back together and build a chance at a long-lasting relationship. Don't make the mistake of getting back together with someone for the wrong reasons, it will only hurt your relationship with that person, especially if the two of you are still friends or close.

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2. There's a bright future: You need to ask yourself if you see a future with your old flame. Falling in love all over again is nice, deciding you just one last hook up is not, unless it is what you both want. Remember, no matter what you decide there's a chance one or both of you will get hurt. If there is potential for you and your ex to build a long and happy future together, by all means dive in, but make sure it's clear on both sides and that you're on the same page.

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3. It's not just a rebound: If you just got out of a relationship and are feeling sad about it, you might need more time to heal before jumping back into a relationship with someone, especially if it's with your ex. Diving right into another relationship after a break up is not always healthy, however if the reason you broke up is because you still have a strong connection with your ex lover, it could be good to give it another shot. Ask yourself is it more than just your ex being a good friend to you, by giving you a shoulder to cry on. Don't rekindle something that's not all the way there.

What do you think are good things to consider before getting back together with an ex? Share in the comments below.

How to Date when You're a Single Parent





By April Littleton

Being a single parent has its challenges — especially when it comes to dating. When you're raising children on your own or co-parenting, getting back into the dating pool is hard. You're not sure how your kids will adapt to someone new hanging around. Plus, is it even worth it to try to give your heart to someone else? Cupid has some tips:

1. Take your time

You don't have to rush into a relationship with anyone. You have your kids to think about and they don't need to be introduced to a new person every single week. When you're ready to start dating again, take it slow. Don't worry about what other people think. You start to date when you feel like it's the right time, not when anyone else says you should start testing the waters again.

2. Explain to your kids

When you do start to see someone new, you need to prepare your children for the situation. Whether they are too young to understand what you're telling them or not, you still need to let them know you're going to spending some time with her person who isn't their mother/father. Reassure them that the

new love in your life isn't there to take the place of their other parent, but you're simply hanging out with someone else on a romantic level. Your children will have plenty of questions. Try your best to answer each one of them honestly without getting into any specific details about your love life.

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3. Introduction

You obviously don't need someone who you've only been dating for a short time to meet your children. However, if things get serious between you and your new potential love interest, you need to start thinking about introducing your honey to the other important people in your life. Make sure your new boyfriend/girlfriend already knows about your kids (that should have been one of the first things you told them when you first started dating) before you set up a date for the whole gang to meet. When the day does come for the outing, make sure you keep the activities fun, short and to the point.

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4. Be courteous

Be careful how much PDA you should — especially in front of your children. Everyone will need to adjust to you dating someone new, so make sure to avoid any situations that could be uncomfortable and/or hurtful to your kids. Also, your new partner might not be too fond of the idea of the two of you sharing serious affection for each other in public anyway.

5. Keep your past where it belongs

Your ex shouldn't be involved in any part of your love life. Don't bring him/her up unless the reason has something to do with the children you have together. If you want to develop a serious relationship with the new man/woman in your life, they

don't need a constant reminder of the feelings you and your former flame once had for each other. You need to start living your life for you and your kids. Who you date has nothing to do with your ex and vice versa.

Do you have any additional advice for a single parent who's dating again? Comment below.

Camille Grammer Is Granted Permanent Restraining Order Against Ex-Boyfriend





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills star has been granted a permanent restraining order against ex-

boyfriend Dimitri Charalambopoulos. He allegedly assaulted Grammer in a Houston hotel room after she went a hysterectomy for endometrial cancer.

How do you cope with a physically or emotionally abusive ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Continuing to maintain contact with an ex who is physically and/or emotionally abusive is the wrong move to make. You need to take the necessary steps to rid him/her from your life for good before the situation gets even more out of control. Cupid is here to help:

1. Realize your worth: You need to realize that you don't need someone like your ex in your life. You're better than the situation, so you need to find the strength to move on and let them go. Get your independence back. Show your ex and everyone else around you that you will be just fine without all of the negativity. In fact, you'll be better for it.

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2. End all contact: Cut ties with your ex completely. You shouldn't maintain any sort of contact with someone who is abusive and hurtful to you. Your ex is already just that, so there's no need for you to give them any additional explanations to why you're removing them from your life.

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3. Get support: You can't handle a situation like this all on your own. Let your family and close friends know what's going on. They'll be there for you every step of the way. Whenever you feel like you're close to speaking with your ex again, talk to a loved one instead. Let them be your rock through this tough time.

What are some other ways to cope with a physically or emotionally abusive ex? Comment below.

Are Ashley Benson and Ex-Boyfriend Ryan Good Dating Again?





By April Littleton

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Ashley Benson and former flame Ryan Good might be dating again. The pair were seen together Friday, Dec. 20. at the Boom Boom Room in New York City. "Ryan and Ashley were kissing each other all night," an insider said.

How do you know whether to get back with your ex or not?

Cupid's Advice:

You and your ex might have mixed feelings about each other, especially if the two of you are still in each other's lives. Should you try to rekindle the flame? Would giving love a second chance hurt the friendship the two of you managed to develop? Cupid has some tips:

1. Still on good terms: The breakup between you and your ex wasn't too bad. In fact, you and your former flame are still really good friends. If things ended on a good note, there is still a chance the two of you can make things work. You know where it went wrong, so you should be able to fix it.

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2. Can't get over it: When you think about the love lost between you and your ex, you're filled with regret. Sometimes, you don't realize what you have until it's gone. If your ex spends a lot of time with you, then he/she is obviously not over you either.

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3. You're still in love: If you're still in love with your ex and believe you can fix the mistakes in your relationship, then give it another chance. The heart wants what it wants and you ignoring your real feelings will only make the situation worse.

How did you know whether to get back with your ex or not? Share your experience below.

Justin Bieber's Music Video Crush Talks Selena Gomez's Diss, Kissing the Superstar





By Brittany Stubbs

Jealousy might be in the air for Justin Bieber's ex Selena Gomez. In the superstar's latest music video "All That Matters," Cailin Russo stars as the object of Bieber's obsession. He later posted a picture of the blonde babe kissing him on the cheek. According to UsMagazine.com, Gomez recently posted a picture of herself on Instagram with a caption that said, "I thought he only liked the Latina category. Smh... #nomakeup #hatewhengirlssaythat," and Bieber's latest crush is convinced this was directed towards her. "It was clearly directed at him with me in the video, but like I said I was just doing my job," Russo shares in a recent interview with Cosmopolitan. "Selena is a superstar and I'm just a girl in a video. She's his ex, and I'm sure they still

have feelings for each other."

How do you deal with your ex dating someone new?

Cupid's Advice:

It's always difficult seeing your ex move on with someone else, even if you had an amicable breakup. But unfortunately this is inevitable when any relationship ends. The best thing you can do is handle your situation with maturity and class:

1. Avoid contact: Nothing good ever comes from sending your ex a snarky text message about their new significant other or posting a passive aggressive comment online. So hide them from your social networks, even delete or block their number if necessary. We're all guilty of doing a little Facebook stalking to find out who our ex has moved on to, but honestly, when has this ever helped or made us feel better?

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2. Remind yourself why you broke up: Sometimes seeing your ex with someone new can stir up old feelings, but remembering why things didn't work out between you two can often help you avoid feeling jealous. It might even make you happy your ex has met someone else.

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3. Focus on you: Remember that break ups mean moving on for the both of you. Use this as your motivation to do something for yourself. Whether that's getting back into the dating scene, or just devoting some time and energy to a new hobby, project, etc. While break ups signify endings, they also hold potential for bright, new beginnings.

How have you handled an ex moving on? Share your experiences

Orlando Bloom Says He and Ex Miranda Kerr 'Love and Cherish Each Other'





By Brittany Stubbs

After three years of marriage, Orlando Bloom and Miranda Kerr announced their amicable separation earlier this year. Despite their split, People shares that they've maintained a healthy and happy friendship for their son Flynn, who will be 3 next month. "We both love and cherish each other," Bloom told E! Online on Monday. "What [our son] reads and knows about when he's a grown-up is more important to me than anything."

What are some ways to remain friends with your ex after you part ways?

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Cupid's Advice:

- 1. Have a separation period: When building a friendship with someone you have a romantic history with, it's important to make sure all the feelings from your past don't get in the way. You can't truly have a healthy relationship if one of you is still bitter or hasn't recovered from the breakup. One way to avoid this is by making sure you have some time apart from one another after the initial split. This approach allows you each the space to heal and move on before jumping into a friendship.
- 2. Set boundaries: Despite the fact that you both are over one another and are maybe even dating new people, there are still some boundaries you and your ex need to set to have a happy friendship. For example, you may be glad to hear your ex has a girlfriend, but you probably don't want to know the intimate details about their relationship. Being open and honest about what you feel comfortable sharing and discussing is key to remaining friends.

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3. Forget the bad: Regardless of why you and your partner split, there were probably tough times for each of you in your relationship. It's impossible to stay friends if old disagreements or unhappy memories keep resurfacing, so let the rough parts of your past go and focus on having a better future.

How have you remained friends with an ex? Share your

Josh Brolin and Diane Lane Are Officially Divorced





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, Josh Brolin and Diane Lane have finalized their divorce. The once-happy couple separated earlier this. Los Angeles County Superior Court documents filed Nov. 27 made the split official. Brolin and Lane married in 2004 during a ceremony at a central California ranch.

How do you move on after a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

You're finally divorced and now you're wondering if you'll ever be able to move on and be happy again. Divorce isn't easy. When it finally hits you that you will no longer be waking up to the same person in the morning anymore, you might hit an all-time low. However, this feeling won't last forever. Cupid is here to help:

1. Time: You'll need to give yourself the chance to heal and the only way to do that is by giving yourself the necessary time. You won't be able to get over the lose of your marriage right away and you shouldn't expect yourself to. Don't worry, you will find yourself feeling better about the situation dayby-day. Don't rush yourself into another relationship. Take this opportunity to get to know yourself all over again.

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2. Support: You won't be able to get through this all on your own. Keep in close contact with your family members and friends. When you're feeling down, they'll be able to lift you back up and make you see all of the positive things you have to look forward to.

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3. Try something new: Take your mind off of the divorce by digging yourself into some new hobbies. You don't have to do anything too extreme (like skydiving), but if you've always wondered what taking a painting class would be like, sign up for the next one at your nearest recreation center.

How did you move on from a divorce? Share your experience below.

Malin Akerman and Husband Split Months After Son's Birth





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, Malin Akerman and husband Roberto Zincone have decided to end their marriage. The <u>Trophy Wife</u> actress, who married Zincone in 2007, gave birth to son Sebastian in April. "[Motherhood is] amazing, the biggest love you have ever felt in your life," Akerman said after having her baby.

What are some ways to remain civil post-breakup for your child?

Cupid's Advice:

Breakups are difficult to deal with — especially if children are involved. Maintaining some type of relationship with an ex

is crucial if both parents plan on staying in their childrens' lives. Cupid has some tips:

1. Communicate: You and your ex will be in each other's lives for a long time because of your child, so avoiding each other isn't an option. During the time when you do have to communicate with your former flame, keep things short and simple. Remain respectful of each other's boundaries and only talk about the kids.

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2. Keep negative comments to yourself: Don't talk bad about your ex in front of your children. Keep in mind that your kids love the both of you, so bashing each other around the children will hurt and confuse them. Don't make them choose sides. Keep them out of all of the drama that surrounds you and your ex.

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3. Be the bigger person: Your former partner may be the type of person who wants to make the situation harder on you once the two of you finally decide to call it quits. Keep your cool and walk away from any potential fights that may arise. You need to keep your composure for the sake of your children. If your ex doesn't want to follow suit, maybe he/she shouldn't be involved with the parenting for awhile.

How did you remain civil post-breakup for your child? Share your experience below.

Exes Ashlee Simpson and Pete Wentz Reunite for Son Bronx's Birthday





By April Littleton

Ashlee Simpson and her ex-husband Pete Wentz reunited to celebrate their son's fifth birthday in L.A.'s Studio City neighborhood, Saturday, Nov. 16. Both exes brought along their new significant others. Wentz arrived with girlfriend of two years Meagan Camper, while Simpson showed up with Evan Ross. "It didn't seem awkward at all between Evan Ross and Pete Wentz. They took a family photo and were all in it — Pete, Meagan, Ashlee and Evan," a source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>.

How do you remain civil post-breakup for the sake of your children?

Cupid's Advice:

A breakup is always tough to handle, but even more so when kids are involved. You may want to get rid of your ex altogether, but whether you like it or not, the two of you have to cooperate if you both want to maintain a stable relationship with your children. Cupid has some tips:

1. Set boundaries: When it comes to your children, you and your partner need to come up with a clear set of boundaries. It's very easy to let the negative feelings you have toward your ex get the best of you, but you have to remember that the two of you will be in each other's lives permanently. Keep your relationship platonic and only communicate with each other when the kids are involved. You don't need to be in each other's personal life anymore.

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- 2. Don't badmouth: There's no need to bring up your ex around your children. When you do have to bring him/her up, make sure you're not saying anything negative about them. Your kids don't need to feel like they have to choose sides. They love you both. If you can't contain your frustrations, vent them to a friend or a family member in private when your babies aren't around.
- 3. Take your time: Just like with any breakup, you and your ex will need to take time to move on from each other. Don't rush into a new relationship and don't bring multiple potential partners into your home where your children live. Take it one step at a time and help your kids understand why their parents aren't together anymore before you start dating around.

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What are some other ways to remain civil post-breakup for the sake of children? Comment below.

Adam Levine's Ex Nina Agdal Opens Up About Their Split and His Engagement





By April Littleton

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, Nina Agdal holds no grudges against <u>Maroon 5</u> singer Adam Levine and his fiancée Behati Prinsloo. The <u>Ocean Drive</u> cover girl said that she found out about Levine's engagement through a text message but she's "happy for them." Agdal is currently dating <u>The Wanted's Max George</u>. "We're very much in the honeymoon period. She's awesome," the British rocker, 25, told <u>OK!</u> last month. "She's like a best mate as much as a girlfriend."

What are some ways to cope with an abrupt breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes breakups happen quickly, and there's nothing you can do about it. Cupid has some advice on how to deal:

- 1. Spend time with friends: After you go through a breakup, it's a good idea to spend some time catching up with your loved ones. They'll be there to lend you a shoulder to cry on and they won't pass any judgment on you.
- 2. Keep busy: One of the best things you can do after a sudden breakup is keep yourself distracted. Continue to carry on with your daily routine as you normally would do. Hang out with your family and friends. Take up a few new hobbies. Over time, you won't need as many distractions, but for now, it'll help with the pain you might be feeling.
- **3. Pamper yourself:** Take yourself out on a "me" day. Get a makeover or spend the day relaxing at a spa. Don't just spend your time pondering on what could have been. You're single now, so that mean you need to be the best "you" you can be for the next cute girl/guy who catches your eye.

What are some other ways to cope with an abrupt breakup? Comment below.

'Jersey Shore' Star Pauly D Welcomes Baby Daughter with Ex





By Kristyn Schwiep

'Jersey Store' star Pauly D is now a father to a baby girl with an ex fling. The two hooked up in Las Vegas and according to UsWeekly, the ex fling is living with their daughter in New Jersey. Pauly D told TMZ that he is a proud father and excited to start a new chapter of his life.

What are some ways to stay involved in your child's life after a breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Breaking up is always a difficult time in any relationship, but breaking up when a child is involved is even tougher. So what are some ways that you can stay involved in your child's life after the break up? Cupid has some advice for you:

1. Call: If it's hard to see your child every day make sure you call or Skype with them as often as you can. Taking the time to talk to your child keeps you updated on what he or she is doing or how they are doing.

- 2. Take them out: Make time to spend time with your child. Make sure you take them out to dinner, the movies or the park so you get to spend some quality time with each other. It doesn't matter what you are doing as long as you are spending more than once a month with them.
- 3. Holidays: You and your ex should take turns spending time with your child on different holidays. One should get to spend Christmas with your child and the other gets to spend Thanksgiving together. You and your ex can plan a schedule of what holiday's you each get and try and switch off every year.

How have you stayed in your child's life after a breakup? Share your stories below.

'The Bachelor' Winner Courtney Robertson Lands Tell-All Book Deal





By April Littleton

The Bachelor Season 16 winner is once again making headlines. Courtney Robertson, now a celebrity author, has landed a book deal with the title I Didn't Come Here to Make Friends: Confessions of a Reality Show Villian. "Going on The Bachelor was the most amazing opportunity I've ever had but I did not have a fairy tale ending!"Robertson told <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The 30-year-old ended her celebrity relationship with Ben Flajnik October 2012.

Courtney Robertson decided to do something positive when it came to dealing with her celebrity break-up from 'The Bachelor' Ben Flajnik What are some creative ways you can get over a break-up without being revengeful?

Cupid's Advice:

Break-ups are tough, especially if you ended things with someone you really cared about. Getting over a celebrity ex without lashing out publicly can be even harder. Cupid is here to help those girls going through a break-up:

1: Have a girl day: When you begin to feel down, call some of your girlfriends and spend the day going out with them. Go to the spa, a movie or just sit around your house and talk about

how you're feeling. Relationships and love will come and go, but your friendships will be something you can cherish forever.

- 2. Hobbies: Keep your mind off your ex by staying busy. What are some of the activities you thought about trying but never got the chance to do? Start going to the gym more often, take piano lessons, and fly in that helicopter over the city! Do something you've always had an interest in and have some of your friends join you as well.
- **3. Keep a journal:** Instead of verbally blaming everyone around you for what happened between you and your boyfriend, write down all of your feelings and emotions in a journal. Finding a healthy way to express yourself is good for the mind and will help you move on faster.

What are some other ways to deal with a break-up without getting revenge? Comment below.

How to Support a Partner Whose Ex Passed Away





By April Littleton

Dating someone who has lost a significant other can prove to be challenging. It'll be hard for them to let someone else into their heart after such a tragedy, but if you're willing to be patient and show them there's love after loss, the relationship you might be able to build will prove to be worth it. Cupid has some advice:

1. Be understanding: During the grieving period, don't take anything your significant other may say or do personally. It's natural for him/her to reminisce about his/her late partner. Be patient with your honey and give them the space they need.

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- 2. Time: Consider how long it's been since your honey's ex passed away. If it's a fairly recent death, expect more hardships and hurdles to overcome in your relationship versus being with someone who's had time to accept the situation and move on from it.
- 3. Don't be something you're not: The last thing your significant other needs is someone trying to be exactly like their former lover. Your partner fell in love with you, not a copy of what he/she lost. You need to stay guarded if you

notice him/her intentionally looking for similarities between you and their ex. Let him/her know that you're not a replacement and you can't make up for the person they lost. This might be a sign that he/she isn't ready for anything serious yet.

- 4. Don't bring up the past: Don't bring it upon yourself to talk about your partner's deceased ex. It's not your place to discuss such a sensitive topic unless your honey wants to talk about it. In that case, let him/her start the conversation and listen to what they have to say. Put yourself in their shoes. How would you feel if the person you were currently dating kept bringing up a subject you'd like to move on from? Think about what you're going to say before you say it.
- 5. Be honest: You need to be upfront and honest about your feelings. If you don't feel like the relationship is progressing in the way it should be, let your partner know. Yes, you want to be there for them, but your needs and desires are important too. It takes time to get over a death of a loved one, so your significant other may not be emotionally ready for someone new in his or her life. You can give it as much time as you'd like to see if things improve, if not, stop the relationship before you end up getting hurt too.

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6. See a counselor: Dating someone whose ex has recently died will be tough and you won't be able to solve all of the complications on your own. When the relationship starts to get serious, talk with your partner about seeing a professional therapist. Your significant other might find it easier to open up to a third party about their unresolved feelings.

How did you support a partner whose ex passed away? Share your experience below.

Kate Gosselin Accuses Ex-Husband Jon of Computer Theft and Phone Hacking





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, Kate Gosselin filed a lawsuit accusing her ex-husband Jon Gosselin of stealing her hard drive and hacking into her computer and phone in order to get information for a tell-all book. The book in question is titled *Kate Gosselin: How She Fooled the World*. It has since been pulled from Amazon since the information was obtained illegally. The former couple starred in *Jon and Kate Plus 8* together before separating in 2009 and eventually divorcing.

How do you remain civil after a divorce for your children?

Cupid's Advice:

Going through a divorce is difficult, especially when kids are involved. Just because you and your ex are going your separate ways doesn't mean you won't be in each other's lives. You'll have to find a way to communicate well with one another for the sake of the children. Cupid has some advice:

- 1. Stay out of each other's private lives: The worst thing you can do is continue to meddle in your ex-husband/wife's business. What they choose to do with their free time is no longer a concern of yours. You shouldn't know who he/she is dating and the same goes for them about you. Don't ask your children for any information either. They shouldn't be put in the middle of what's going on between you and your former spouse.
- 2. Communicate: Talk to your ex with respect. Don't talk to him/her about anything personal. Keep the conversation focused on your kids. You'll need to be able to work out a visiting schedule without arguments or other distractions getting in the way. Of course, you'll disagree with each other, but listen to what the other has to say. At the end of the day, you're both just trying to do what's right for the little ones.
- 3. Space: Once you've worked out everything involving the kids, you'll want to give each other space. There's no reason for the two of you to remain in close contact right after the divorce. Both of you are angry, hurt and probably resentful. Take the time to let those negative feelings subside before you decide to talk on a regular basis.

How did you remain civil after a divorce? Share your experience below.

Jennifer Lawrence and Nicholas Hoult Are Spotted Back Together





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, Jennifer Lawrence and Nicholas Hoult have been seen together multiple times since their split in January. In late April, they were spotted getting cozy in a restaurant in Los Angeles. An onlooker said it "looked like a date." The former flames dated for two years after meeting on set of the film *X-Men: First Class*.

What are some factors to consider before getting back together with an ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Couples breakup and makeup all the time, but reconciling isn't always the best thing for two people. It's hard to let go of all of the good memories you shared with an ex, but you can't put yourself in a situation where you'll just end up getting hurt again. However, sometimes a second chance is all a couple needs to make things right. Cupid is here to help:

- 1. The length of the breakup: How long have the two of you been broken up? If the split is recent, it's not a good idea to consider getting back together with your ex just yet. You need to move on from the relationship and all of the emotions that come with it before you'll be ready to make the decision to reconcile. After all, there's a reason the two of you didn't work as a couple the first time around.
- 2. Think about the relationship: What made you and your former flame date in the first place? What was the relationship like before the breakup happened? If there were more good times than bad, the relationship may be salvageable. If you can't see any foundation to build on, let the past be the past and start fresh. Romantically, the two of you might not be a good fit, but maybe a friendship can form in the future.
- 3. Same goals and values: A relationship will only be successful if two individuals have the same long-term goals or they are at least willing to meet each other halfway. Do you want a big family? What if your ex doesn't want children? Your former boo has always wanted to marry as soon as it felt right, while you prefer to take things slow. The differences between the two of you are too important to ignore. Trying to rekindle the romance will only lead to more heartache.

What factors did you consider when you thought about getting back together with an ex? Share your experience below.

Jana Kramer and Brantley Gilbert Split





By April Littleton

A source confirmed to <u>People</u> that the country singers have ended their engagement. "They are both so busy right now. They are both on the road and have to spend a lot of time apart, which isn't ideal for any couple, let alone a couple trying to plan a wedding," the source said. Kramer was married to Jonathon Schaech for one month in 2010.

What are some ways to call off an engagement with class?

Cupid's Advice:

The end of an engagement is never a pleasant situation to

experience, but if you know the marriage between you and your partner won't work out, it's best to end things now rather than go through a divorce months after the wedding. Cupid has some advice:

- 1. Face to face: The worst thing you can do is break off an engagement via email or text message. Situations like this are best handled in person. Take your significant other somewhere where the two of you can talk without any interruptions and explain to him/her why you don't want to get married. Don't hold anything back. Be completely honest with yourself and your partner.
- 2. Don't get defensive: It's only fair that your honey get upset over the things you're telling him/her. If he/she yells at you, don't yell back. Keep yourself as calm and composed as possible. Apologize to your partner and let them know you're truly sorry for hurting them. Be polite and show that you still care for them.
- 3. Give the ring back: If the engagement is truly over, you need to return the ring to your significant other. Keeping the ring may send mix signals. Your partner might continue to pressure you into doing something you've already told them you're not ready for.

How did you call off an engagement? Comment below.

Mischa Barton, Boyfriend Sebastian Knapp Break Up





By April Littleton

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, The O.C. alum has split from boyfriend Sebastian Knapp after less than a year of dating. The duo were first spotted together in mid-2012. Despite the breakup, Barton seemed to be in good spirits at the Cosmopolitan Summer Bash in Hollywood, California. She was glowing and happy while she talked about her times on set with the O.C. cast.

How do you know when it's time to end a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

There are clear tell-tale signs when a relationship is close to its end. Most couples have a hard time letting go, especially if they've been together for quite awhile. Many even wonder if it's really over. Do you find yourself secondguessing the status of your relationship? Cupid has some tips:

1. You're fighting more often: An obvious sign that you are at odds with your partner will be based on how much fighting the

two of you do. Have you been yelling at each other over silly things? Can the two of you even have a conversation without it erupting into an argument? Take all of these things into consideration if you're thinking about calling it quits with your honey.

- 2. Nothing in common: People tend to grow and change when they're in a relationship. Maybe you no longer like watching football with your partner. Your boo might not enjoy taking weekly trips to the art museum with you anymore. Couples should have at least a few things in common. If you find the lists of hobbies and things to talk about is wearing thin, it may be time to move on.
- 3. Thinking of someone else: The relationship is definitely over if you're thinking about another person while you're still with your current lover. Don't string along the person you're with if you're interested in someone else. If you call it quits now, maybe the two of you can be friends in the future.

How did you know it was time to end a relationship? Comment below.

Alex Pettyfer and Riley Keough Are Back Together Again





By April Littleton

Riley Keough was seen with her ex-fiance, *Magic Mike* actor Alex Pettyfer, at the L.A. premiere screening of Lee Daniels' *The Butler*. "There was definitely warmth between Riley and Alex. They were laughing together and smiling at each other," an onlooker told *UsMagazine.com*. Another eyewitness reported seeing the duo "holding hands" in the VIP area. The couple first appeared together in October 2011. Six months later, Keough stepped out with an engagement ring, but before the year was up, the lovebirds called off the wedding.

How do you know when it's time to give your ex a second chance?

Cupid's Advice:

Lately, you've been hanging out around town with a certain ex of yours. You can't quite figure out what it is about this person, but you find yourself reconsidering the possibility of you two being an item again. Would getting back together be a mistake or a decision you'll never regret? Cupid can help:

1. Acceptance: If you've already accepted what happened between the two of you in the past, you might be ready to start fresh. You can't reminisce over the old times. You have

to acknowledge what went wrong in your relationship and have the ability to move on from it. If you're thinking about becoming a couple again, there's no need to hold on to any anger or guilt. You want to start things off positive. Don't pick up the relationship where it left off. The two of you won't last if you continue to make the same mistakes.

- 2. Forgiveness: Accepting the situation that happened between you and your ex won't happen if you don't forgive each other first. Giving each other a second chance won't work out if the two of you are still blaming each other for whatever went wrong. Instead, work toward holding yourself accountable for what happened and try to let go of all bad feelings.
- 3. Communicate: You need to be able to express how you're feeling to your old flame. You're thinking about getting back together? Make sure they're aware of that. Your ex might have unresolved feelings toward you as well and may be afraid to speak up first. Communication is key in a good relationship. Start things off right by having a genuine conversation.

How did you know it was time to give love a second chance? Share your experience below.

Justin Bieber Surprises Selena Gomez with a Single Red Rose at her Birthday Party





By Kristyn Schwiep

Selena Gomez celebrated the big 2-1 with family and friends at Revolve Clothing beach house in Malibu on Saturday, July 27. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, on-again, off-again boyfriend Justin Bieber made an unannounced appearance. "Justin flew in specifically for the party on a day off from his tour," the source said. "He wasn't dressed in costume, but carried a single red rose in his hand." Best friend Taylor Swift could not attend due to performing at a show, but other celebrity guests including Julianne Hough, Nina Dobrev, Derek Hough, Ashley Benson and Jaden Smith attended her themed soiree. Later in the night, Smith helped Gomez and Bieber sneak out of the house under a blanket and an umbrella. The duo were holding hands.

How do you surprise your partner for his/her birthday?

Cupid's Advice:

Tying to surprise your partner for his/her birthday? Cupid has

some advice for you on how you can surprise your partner for their birthday:

- 1. Surprise gift: One of the best ways to surprise your spouse is a gift. It is easy and thoughtful, so it can really surprise your partner and show that you really care. It doesn't have to be expensive. Think about surprising them with their favorite meal or if they have been talking about something for a while, buy it for them. Just show them that you care and that you are thinking about them.
- 2. Surprise party: Surprise parties are a great idea no matter how old you are. They are fun, they show you care, and it brings family and friends together. Make a party your partner will remember for a lifetime. Surprise parties are a great way to celebrate your partners special day.
- 3. Surprise getaway: Have the car packed and ready to leave for the weekend for your surprise get away trip. Don't tell your partner where you are going, just get in the car and go. Even if it is as small as a bed and breakfast your partner will love the thought and excitement behind and it and will make for a great birthday getaway.

How have you surprised your partner for his/her birthday? Share your story below.

Selena Gomez Pulls Plug on Live Interview After Justin

Bieber Question





By Petra Halbur

Selena Gomez took fairly drastic measures to avoid discussing her on-again-off-again relationship with Justin Bieber on July 22. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the 21-year old singer was making a live television appearance on WGN Entertainment when the host, Dean Richards, brought up the 19-year old heartthrob. "Is there something about him that we don't get or we don't understand?" he asked. "I mean there's one story after the other of pretty outrageous things that we are reading about. What don't we get about him? Or what is it that he's not getting out there?" Gomez smiled awkwardly before her team cut off her footage and uploaded a black screen with the words "Star Dance Tour With Selena Gomez. Tickets Available At Ticketmaster.com."

What are some ways to address questions about your ex postbreakup?

Cupid's Advice:

The only thing worse than a breakup is the endless series of questions you have to face afterwards. How do you deal with them? Cupid is here to help:

- 1. Keep it civil: As angry as you may be after a breakup, resist the temptation to bash your ex. Unless your partner was abusive, he or she does not deserve such treatment and you won't feel good about it either in the long run.
- 2. Provide short answers: "It was mutual" or "He didn't see a future with me" are simple, short answers to complicated questions. If you find yourself fed up with the constant inquisition or reluctant to disclose all the ugly details, honest yet succinctly replies might be the best way to go.
- **3. Decline to answer:** If a question is too personal or you just don't feel like addressing such a painful topic, politely explain that you'd rather not talk about it. It's not rude to make clear that some topics are off the discussion table.

How have you dealt with post-breakup questions? Tell us below.

Sources Say Elin Nordegren Doesn't Approve of Tiger Woods Dating Lindsey Vonn





By Kristin Mattern

Despite a recent six page report that Elin Nordegren approves of ex-husband Tiger Woods' girlfriend, Lindsey Vonn, *UsMagazine.com* claims that a source close to Vonn has told them this is simply not the case. The insider points out that Nordegren can't say anything to disparage Woods in the press or she will lose some of the \$100 million she won in the divorce. "She still despises Tiger," the source commented. "As time goes on, it probably gets easier, but she definitely doesn't like having Lindsey around her kids." Another insider was quoted as saying: "[She] hates Lindsey Vonn and everything about this romance." Apparently, the former model didn't approve of Woods' new girlfriend from the beginning.

How do you deal with jealousy over your ex's new relationship?

Cupids Advice:

Getting over an ex is never easy, and when you ex has found a new lover, jealousy can blossom. The fact that your ex is happy and moving on with someone new can chafe at the lingering feelings you might still have, or simply be irritating if you aren't in the same place. Cupid has some sage advice for getting over those jealous feelings your ex

and his new boo are causing you to feel:

- 1. Be real with yourself: Pinpoint the true cause of your pain frustration over your ex-lover. This will take some soul searching, but ask yourself the real reasons you are feeling the way you are. Do you really miss your ex-sweetheart, or are you just jealous of the happiness you see him experiencing? It might not be him you want back, but the feelings your relationship once evoked. The more truthful you are with yourself, the faster you can begin to overcome your jealous feelings and move on.
- 2. Talk it out: Speak with friends and family about the way you are feeling. People who love you and know you the best can speak sincerely and candidly to you. If you are having trouble figuring out where your emotions are coming from, those closest to you might be able to hold up the mirror of truth for you, and perhaps offer some advice for how to get over the pain you are experiencing.
- 3. Know you will find love again: As the old cliché goes, there are more fish in the sea. While it sounds corny, believe that you will find love again and be just as happy as you see your ex being now with his new honey. Know that you are an amazing person, and that you will find someone else to care for. When you're ready, go out and have fun with your friends, when you're happy, you will attract others to you.

Ever had to deal with being jealous over an ex and his new girl? Let us know in the comments below.

Russell Crowe, Danielle Spencer Reunite For Dinner With Kids





By April Littleton

The Australian couple who are rumored to have split last fall spent the evening with their sons and friends at the Polo Lounge in Beverly Hills Thursday, June 27. "Russell and Danielle were sitting next to each other and seemed to get along well — but were never affectionate," an eyewitness told <code>UsMagazine.com</code>. Later in the evening, after the children left the table, the pair continued to hold a discussion with another couple with Crowe "smoking a cigarette and talking very animately, [seemingly] about politics."

How can you stay friends with an ex?

Cupid's Advice:

You've parted ways with your significant other, but the two of you still hope to become friends one day. Sometimes, two people just aren't right for each other romantically, but they make the best of friends. If the breakup was amicable and you still find yourself being able to freely talk to your ex about anything, you might be able to turn your old relationship until a new friendship. Cupid has some advice:

- 1. Be kind to each other: If you really want this new friendship to work, you have to be there for each other. Listen to each other's problems and try to lend a helping hand. Good friends support each other's needs. When communicating with your ex, don't bring up the past or anything that could cause tension. After all, the two of you are friends now, not lovers. So, keep the relationship strictly platonic.
- 2. Don't talk about new lovers: The last thing you want to do is bring up a new romance, especially if the breakup with your ex is still mildly fresh. If you have someone new in your life, don't talk about it. Bringing up your love life can cause confusion and feelings of jealousy, which can ruin the friendship you and you ex are attempting to have. After awhile, talking about new love with your former boo may be the right thing to do, but put it off until you're sure he or she will be able to handle it.
- 3. Time and space: Before you can embark on a friendship, take some time apart first. Staying connected with your ex will be impossible if you still have feelings for each other. You need to move on from the breakup. Plan some fun events with old friends, and do some activities on your own before you start hanging out with your old flame again.

Are you friends with your ex? How did you make the transition from being a couple to being friends? Share your experience below.

Celebrity News: Is John Mayer's New Song 'Paper Doll' about Taylor Swift?





By April Littleton

According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, John Mayer's newly released song "Paper Doll" is said to be about his ex, Taylor Swift. Rumor has it, the song is a retort to Swift's 2010 breakup hit, "Dear John." In a June 2012 <u>Rolling Stone</u> interview Mayer admitted that Swift's song "made me feel terrible... because I didn't deserve it." He also accused the record of being "cheap songwriting." "Paper Doll" was released Tuesday, June 18 and is from Mayer's upcoming sixth studio album, Paradise Valley.

What are some ways to use music to cope with a breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting over a breakup can be a long and hard process. Your heart might feel like it's broken into a million pieces. Sometimes, using music as a soothing agent, can be the perfect thing to help ease the pain. Cupid has some advice on how to use music to keep you distracted and focused something else other than your ex:

- 1. Listen to songs by strong women: The best songs for a breakup are ones sung by strong, independent women. Women like Gloria Gaynor and Lara Fabian sing about different types of breakups, but they all have one thing in common survival. If you're ready to stop crying yourself to sleep listening to the blues, change your tunes to songs like "Survivor/Independent Woman" by Destiny's Child or Christina Aguilera's "Fighter". These women will help you push through the pain and look forward to a brighter future.
- 2. Learn how to play a musical instrument: Forget about just listening to music, you want to create your own. If you'd rather take a more active approach to getting over your breakup, find an instrument you see yourself becoming interested in and get some help learning how to play. Start out by learning your favorite song and soon you'll see a change in your attitude. You'll be back in the dating game in no time.
- 3. Do a Taylor Swift: If you're already musically inclined, go ahead and write all of the emotions you have toward your ex down on paper. Turn those words into lyrics and think of a melody. Once you're happy with your little creation, try your hand at performing the song in front of some supportive friends. Whether you belt out words of hate or love, any kind of creative outlet you use to express yourself will help you work toward moving on with your life.

How did you use music to cope with a breakup? Share your

experience below.