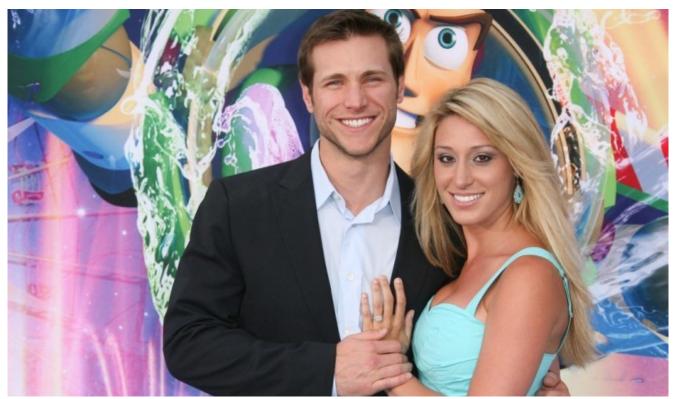
Bachelor Pad 2: Jake Pavelka Asks for Help From Vienna Girardi





Reality star exes Jake Pavelka and Vienna Girardi may have been previously engaged after the 14th season of the *Bachelor*, but it turns out the two are definitely at odds when it comes to working together on the new season of *Bachelor Pad 2*. A preview shows an almost defeated Jake Pavelka asking to make an alliance with Girardi as a last resort to remain in the competition, according to *UsMagazine.com*. Girardi doesn't seem very keen on the idea, though, since she is still hurt and is finally happy and moving on with her new beau Kasey Kahl. The pair are rumored to be looking for an apartment in Los Angeles together.

What are some reasons to get rid of expectations of your expartner?

Cupid's Advice:

It's difficult to get over a prior romantic fling, especially an engagement like Jake and Vienna's, but Cupid has some advice on why you should get rid of the expectations of your ex:

- 1. You get hurt: If you're holding out hope that your ex will change his or her ways, you're going to have expectations that he or she won't be able to meet, and it will let you down. If you're trying to move on and not get hurt, don't look back.
- 2. It'll make it difficult to move on: If you continue to have expectations of your ex, it will make it very difficult to move on and become happy again. In order to move forward, you have to realize that you aren't with your ex for a reason and drop the expectations.
- **3. You second guess:** Even if you're ready to move past your previous relationship and find someone new, if you hold on to expectations of your ex, you may second guess your new mate. This can lead to trust issues.

What are some reasons to get rid of expectations of your expartner? Share your thoughts below.

Real Housewives Stars Taylor

Armstrong and Husband File for Divorce





It may come as no surprise to *Real Housewives* fans that Taylor and Russell Armstrong have called it quits. After all, the Armstrong couple likened their marriage to a business agreement. The two were going through "huge martial problems related to finances," an inside source reported to *UsMagazine.com* in May. Although they have a five-year-old daughter named Kennedy, they decided that the best decision would be to split. On Friday, they filed for divorce.

What are ways to work on your marriage before calling it quits?

Cupid's Advice:

It seems like the Hollywood-inspired trend today is to file for divorce when things don't work out. The roles of husbands and wives in our society has changed over the centuries. Although most of us do make an effort to resolve marital turbulence, it can be tough. Cupid has some tips on how to work out your martial issues:

- 1. Communicate: Often times, communication is at the heart of relationship problems. The next time you and your spouse start arguing, try to verbalize your points effectively before things get heated. Always focus on the particular situation and, by all means, avoid using phrases like "you always do this." Stay calm, and try to get to the heart of the issue that's troubling you.
- 2. Listen: We often complain that our partners don't really listen to us, but we could all probably make an effort to be better listeners. When your spouse is mad at you, don't get defensive or show contempt. Although this may sound silly, take turns rephrasing each other's points. This will ensure that you both understand where each other's anger is coming from and allow you to better work through your problems.
- 3. Consult a counselor: Seeking external help is always a wise step to take before calling it quits. It can be really hard to work through your issues without the aid of a third party. A marital therapist can really help you gain awareness of your communicative difficulties as a couple and give you valuable advice on how to work through your marriage.

Got any tips on alternatives to marital counseling? Share your suggestions below.

'Teen Mom 2' Star Leah Messer Rekindles Romance With Ex-Boyfriend





It looks like *Teen Mom 2* star Leah Messer has patched things up with her ex-boyfriend Robbie Kidd just days after finalizing her divorce from Corey Simms in mid-June, according to *UsMagazine.com*. Following their ups and downs of parenting on the show, Messer, 19, and her ex-hubby Simms, 20, share custody of their 18-month-old twins, Aliannah and Aleeah. However, Simms doesn't seem to care much about having a family life with Messer. A source claims that Simms isn't fazed by his ex's new love and is "not interested in reconciling."

What are some things to think about when deciding whether to go back to your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

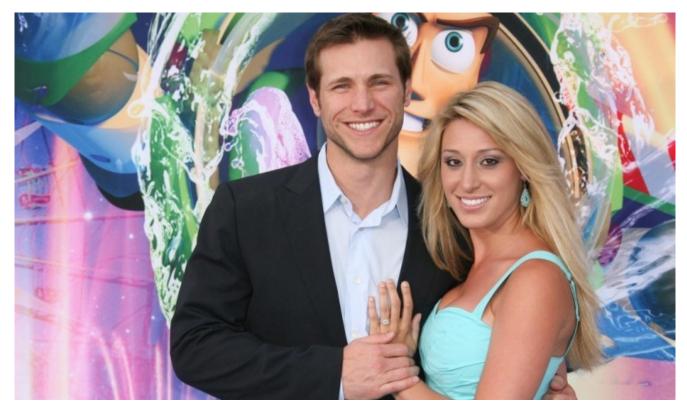
Sometimes you have to forget what you want and remember what you deserve. Cupid has some things to consider before going back to an ex:

- 1. Make a list: Take a stroll down memory lane. Jot down a list of all the good you and your ex had, and then do the same for the bad. Obviously if the bad outweighs the good, you shouldn't want to go back.
- 2. Talk to them: Get the heaviest things on your chest off of it. Without playing the "Blame Game," tell him or her how you feel about the break-up and see if he or she is on the same page as you.
- 3. Decision time: Put yourself first. How did your ex make you feel? How did he or she treat you? Before you make that choice, do some soul searching. Just because you love him or her, that doesn't necessarily mean that's who you're meant to be with. Stop. Think. Know your worth.

How did you decide to get back together with your ex? Share your experiences below.

Ryan Phillippe Hangs With Pregnant Ex-Girlfriend





Let the rumors continue! Ryan Phillipe was spotted at a coffee shop in Los Angeles with pregnant ex-girlfriend Alexis Knapp. One inside source told <u>UsMagazine.com</u> that Phillippe, the alleged father, plans on taking a paternity test. "He doesn't know if he's the father. If it's his, he'll take responsibility." Could it be that Phillippe's third child is on its way?

What are some reasons to continue to associate with an ex?

Cupid's Advice:

It may be that your ex is the last person you're thinking about paying a visit to after a split, but that's not always the case. Clearly, Phillippe and Knapp think it's okay to spend time with your exes. Here's a few reasons why some excouples might choose to keep bonds:

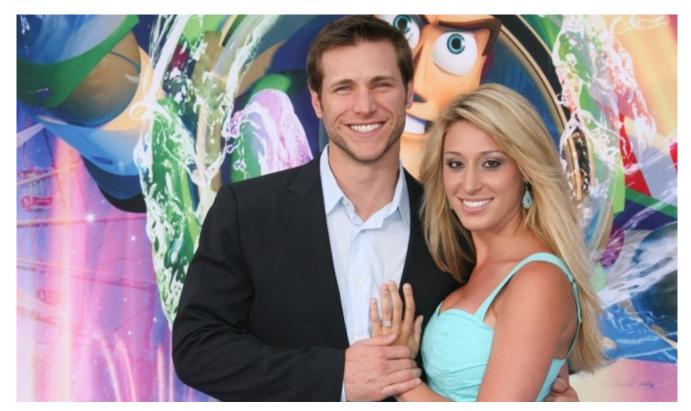
1. Do it for the kids: If your ex is the father or mother of your child, you're probably going to be seeing him or her on a fairly regular basis. It's important for both parents to be up-to-date on their children's lives.

- 2. Keep the friendship: If you and your ex started off as friends before dating, you may want to maintain that original relationship. Friendship is something you can always fall back on for support.
- 3. Keep the friends circle: When you're in a relationship with someone, you share so much with your partner, including your friends, that don't just die off along with the relationship. It may take some time to readjust your role in your circle, but it'll all pay off in the end.

What are some reasons to keep seeing your ex? Share your comments.

Rumor: Reggie Bush and Kim Kardashian Look-Alike Are Hanging Out





Breaking up is tough to do, but moving on to someone who looks exactly like your ex probably won't make it any easier. Rumors are flying that Reggie Bush is dating a Kim Kardashian look-alike. Kardashian's clone, Melissa Molinaro, is an actress/model known for appearing in an Old Navy commercial. E! Online confirmed that the rumors are actually true when they found a twitpic of Bush attending Molinaro's birthday party in Los Angeles.

How do you know if your current partner is just a replacement for your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes when you think you've moved on after a relationship, you may be holding yourself back by dating someone who is just a replacement for your ex. Cupid has some tips on how know if you're still living in the past:

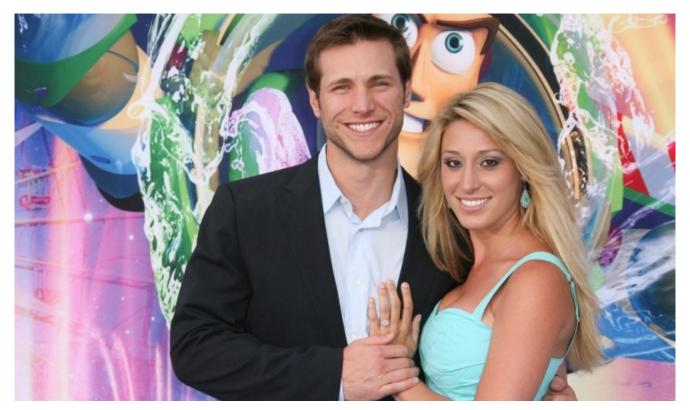
1. Similarities: If the your current partner's similar appearance or personality to your ex is what attracted you to him or her in the first place, you're not really moving on.

- 2. Reminders: When you find that your new mate constantly reminds you of your old boyfriend or girlfriend, it may be a sign that you subconsciously replaced him or her.
- 3. Making them jealous: Dating someone just to get back at your ex may be fun at first, but it's also unhealthy. Don't just look for someone to take the place of your old flame; find someone new, different and better.

Have you ever dated someone who looks or acts like your ex? Tell us about your experience below.

Ashlee Simpson Is Spotted With a New Man





Rumor has it that Ashlee Simpson may have found herself a new love. According to <u>People</u>, Simpson was seen kissing and strolling with <u>Boardwalk Empire</u> star Vincent Piazza on June 15. This isn't the first time she's been spotted with a man following her February divorce from Pete Wentz. A month after her official split from Wentz, rumors were reported that Simpson was involved with musician Craig Owens. Those reports were quickly shot down, but Simpson is certainly wasting no time getting out and about after her break-up.

What are ways to handle your ex dating someone new?

Cupid's Advice:

Moving on after a break-up is not an easy task, but there are some things you can do to make it easier. Cupid's got some suggestions:

1. Don't contact your ex: Seeing your ex with his or her new partner could be quite a blow, so until you're fully over the break-up, avoid seeing him or her. Stay away from places he or she is likely to frequent in order to prevent running into each other.

- 2. Bond with your friends: Instead of playing the victim card, get out there and have a good time. Supportive friends are the best psychologists. Nothing is as therapeutic and rewarding as a good laugh with your besties!
- 3. Start dating: Don't think that you're unlikeable. There are plenty of people would who would be glad to date you. Nothing comes of being depressed and negative about relationships after a split.

What are some things you can do to get over your ex dating someone new? Share your thoughts below.

Brad Pitt Revisits Spot He Romanced Jennifer Aniston





Is Brad Pitt using old material in his serious romance with Angelina Jolie? The longtime duo went on a special date on Monday at de Mondion restaurant at the Xara Palace hotel in Malta's walled medieval city of Mdina, reports <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The couple was spotted walking in hand-in-hand and choosing an outdoor table. An observer at the restaurant said, "They were very, very romantic ... Like a couple in love." Despite the love in display, Pitt not only dined at the exact restaurant with his ex-wife, Jennifer Aniston, in 2003, but they also sat in the same outdoor area. Before leaving, the then-couple signed the guest book. "Thanks for the great escape. Much love, Brad Pitt and Jennifer Aniston."

How do you avoid making your new partner feel like a replacement for your ex?

Cupid's Advice:

You might've finally moved on to a new relationship, but to keep your new sweetheart and avoid making him or her feel like a replacement for your ex, there are a few things to keep in mind:

- 1. Don't speak about the ex too much: Avoid over-mentioning your ex to your new partner. If you can't stop talking about your ex, that means you aren't ready to move on to a new relationship.
- 2. New activities: Try new activities instead of making your partner participate in the ones you and your ex favored together. ou might even discover new talents and interests.
- 3. New places: Taking him or her to the exact restaurant or trip you enjoyed with your ex is okay, but it's more exciting when you take your significant other to areas you've both never visited. It's a more unique and special experience.

Do you have ideas on how to avoid making your new partner feel like a replacement for your ex? Share your thoughts below.

'Bachelor' Brad Womack Drunk Dials Emily Maynard After Breakup





There appears to be some debate as to what the deal is between Brad Womack and fiancée Emily Maynard. Three sources confirmed in the most recent <u>UsMagazine.com</u> that the couple broke up two weeks ago and that the star of <u>The Bachelor</u> has been drunk dialing Maynard. "Brad and Emily are over, and Brad keeps drunk-dialing her," one insider said. "Brad is such a loser." A friend close to the couple, on the other hand, says that the couple is still together and engaged. "They are on and off, but there is a lot of love there. This is just a rough patch," the friend said. A third source said that the 25-year old single mother couldn't handle the long distance relationship and ended things after heading to Texas to smooth things over.

What are some ways to handle an obsessed ex-partner?

Cupid's Advice:

For some people, it's really hard to let go of past relationships, especially if they feel responsible for the breakup. Here are some pointers to dealing with your ex:

1. Keep it to yourself: You're going to have to do your best

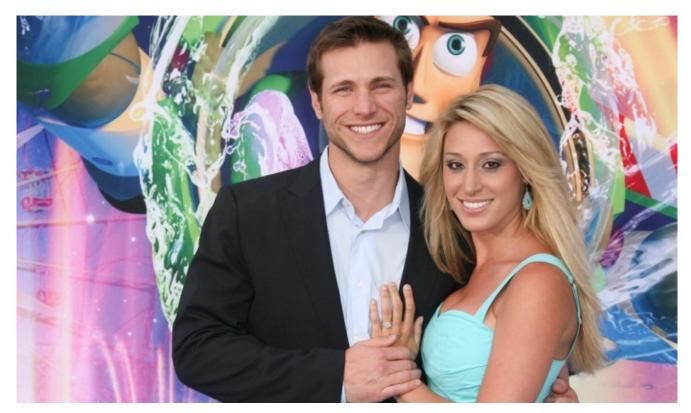
to avoid your ex's calls and attempts to talk to you. Even if you plan on staying friends, it might be a good idea to defriend him or her on Facebook ... at least for now.

- 2. 'To the Left': One way to make things easier for both you and your former lover is to give your personal property back to one another. That way you won't have to be reminded of each other.
- 3. Restrain yourself: In the most extreme cases, you might need to get outside help to keep your former lover away from you. You don't always have to get a legal restraining order, but perhaps just a close friend calmly talking to your ex may do the trick.

Have any stories of exes who wouldn't leave you alone? Leave a comment below.

Brandi Glanville and Elin Nordegren Are Bouncing Back





Brandi Glanville and Elin Nordegren are finally moving on from their bitter breakups. Glanville, 38, divorced actor Eddie Cibrian after <u>UsMagazine.com</u> broke the news that he was having an affair with LeAnn Rimes. Elin Nordegren also knows a thing or two about infidelity. After finding out that her husband, pro golfer Tiger Woods, cheated on her with multiple women, the 31-year-old Swedish supermodel also filed for divorce. Glanville is trying to move on by making an appearance on Bravo's *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills*, while Nordegren has been playing the field, most recently dating a banker in Florida.

What are some ways to show you've moved on after a bitter divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

After a breakup, everyone finds a different way to move forward. Cupid has some ideas on how to show your ex you're over it:

1. Dating: Seeing someone new is one of the surest ways to start moving on from a past relationship. It's also a good

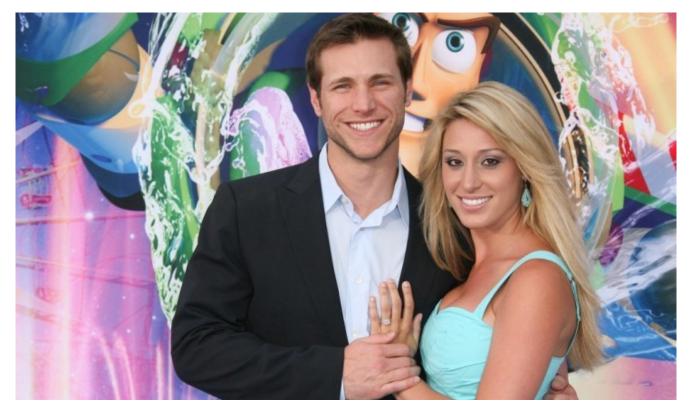
way to let your ex know that you're officially over him or her.

- 2. Revenge: Getting revenge on an ex-partner who broke your heart can give you a lot of satisfaction and the feeling that you're even. Just be careful that you don't to go too far and end up regretting it.
- **3. Change:** After a painful divorce, sometimes you just need a change. By getting a makeover, moving to a new city or getting a new job, you'll show your ex that you have a new life that doesn't involve him or her.

After your last breakup, how did you show your ex you were over it? Share your comments below.

'Saved By the Bell' Star Mark-Paul Gosselaar's Ex Seeking Joint Custody of Kids





In the midst of a painful divorce, Mark-Paul Gosselaar and his estranged wife have found some common ground, according to <u>People</u>. The former <u>Saved By the Bell</u> star filed for divorce from wife Lisa Ann Russell in June, citing "irreconcilable differences." The couple, who were married for 14 years, both filed for joint custody of their children, Michael Charles, 7, and Ava Lorenn, 5.

What are some ways to compromise during a divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

Divorce is difficult, but if you can meet each other halfway, it can be made a little easier. Cupid has some tips on how to compromise:

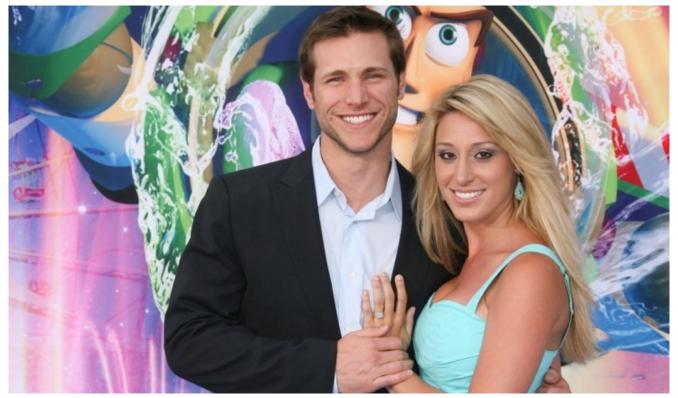
- 1. Think about the kids: For your children's sake, try to find some middle ground. Try to come to a custody agreement sooner rather than later to spare your kids some heartache.
- 2. Remember: There can be a lot of hostility during a divorce, but if you remember you were in love once, maybe you'll be easier on each other.

3. Take the high road: As much as you want to stand your ground and fight to the bitter end, don't. Consider solutions that work for everyone, not just yourself.

What are some other ways to make a divorce easier? Share your comments below.

Michael Douglas' Ex Is Still Going After His Money





Michael Douglas has a lot to be happy about these days, what with beating cancer and enjoying time with his beautiful wife Catherine Zeta-Jones. It seems the only drama plaguing the

actor these days is his ex-wife, Diandra, according to Eleonoline. It seems that she is still going after his money, which in this case means half of his profits from Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps. How is she justifying her case, you ask? Well, apparently Douglas became Gordon Gekko while they were still married, which entitles her to part of the earnings. What won't Diandra do for money?

How do you tell if your partner is only after your money?

Cupid's Advice:

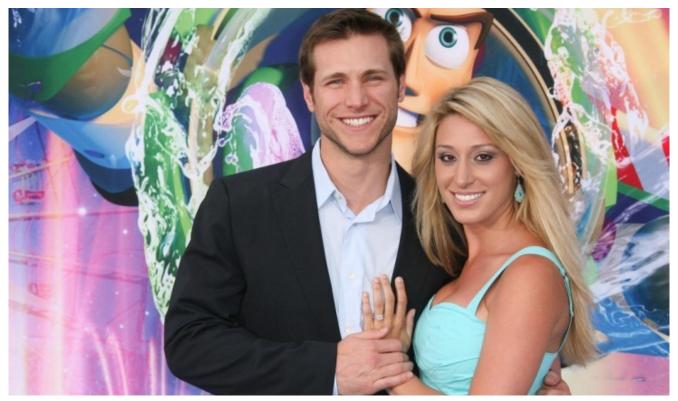
One of the worst things is to fall in love with someone and then realize they're only with you for your bank account. Cupid's got some advice on how to tell before it's too late:

- 1. You pay every time: One of the easiest ways to tell if your partner is overly interested in your funds is to pay attention to his or her offers to pay. Do you pay for everything or does your partner share in the expenses?
- 2. Expensive suggestions: If your partner never seems content just hanging out and always wants to do extravagant things on your dime, that's probably a bad sign. Pay attention to your activities as a couple.
- **3. Quality time alone:** If your mate seems reluctant to hang out with you one-on-one and just doesn't seem too "into" quality time together, it may mean that he or she is interested in something besides your personality ... perhaps your money.

Have an experience with someone only interested in your money? Share below.

Jake Gyllenhaal's Exes Taylor Swift and Reese Witherspoon Bond





When Taylor Swift and Reese Witherspoon chatted at the Academy of Country Music Awards this past Sunday, they found they had at least one thing in common: Jake Gyllenhaal. But <u>UsMagazine.com</u> reports the 30-year-old actor was nowhere to be found when his two ex-girlfriends met and posed for pictures at the show. Swift, 21, who won the Entertainer of the Year Award, and newly married Witherspoon, 35, showed no hostility toward each other during the event.

Should you be friends with your ex-partner's ex?

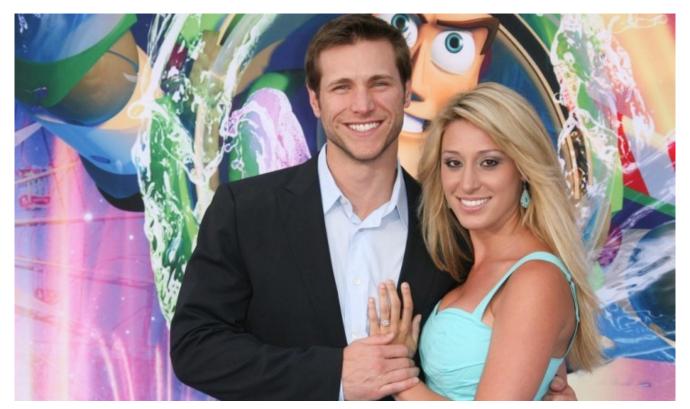
Cupid's Advice:

It can be awkward meeting your ex's ex because you know you've both been in the same place. Cupid has some tips on whether to befriend your ex-partner's ex:

- 1. When it's complicated: It depends on both of your relationships with the ex. If either of you had a nasty breakup, or heard bad things about the other, it may be difficult to strike up a friendship.
- 2. When there are still feelings: If one or both of you still have feelings for the ex-flame, it's better not to get close because you'll probably end up resenting each other if one of you reunites with the ex.
- **3. When you're over it:** Sometimes, when a relationship is in the past, it stays there. If you feel like you've gotten over your ex, then why not make a new friend, even if it is your ex-partner's ex?

Michael Lohan Shows Off New Girlfriend on Twitter





Michael Lohan has had a lot going on recently with his daughter Lindsey ever-present in the media as well as his recent split from girlfriend Kate Major last week. Pop Eater is reporting, however, that Michael Lohan has taken everything in stride and gone off to Fort Lauderdale, Flordia with a new girlfriend, Bernadette, in tow-to whom he debuted via a Twitter photo. In one photo Bernadette and Lohan are locking lips with a tweet reading, "U R amazing". Michael claims Bernadette is opposite of his ex Kate Major saying Bernadette is "in great shape" and "hates tabloids".

How do you deal with being jealous of an ex-partner?

Cupid's Advice:

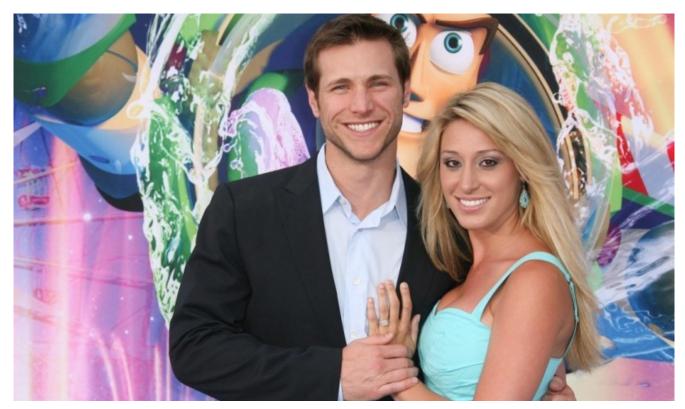
There's not much more in life that stings worse more than when you catch a glimpse of an ex happy with his new partner. In order to keep your cool, remember that everything happens for a reason.

1. It wasn't meant to be: When you become jealous over an ex, think back to all the reasons why you shouldn't be jealous. What flaws of his do you no longer have to put up with?

- 2. Turn jealousy into pity: Seeing your ex move on with another partner is never the easiest to swallow. Think of it as you being stronger and not needing a constant partner. You're better than that!
- **3. Move forward:** If you find yourself being jealous of an ex, snap out of it! The sooner you find yourself being jealous the sooner you can make concious efforts to refocus your energy to something more useful.

Chris Brown Is Upset He Cannot Move On from Past With Rihanna





Rapper and R&B star Chris Brown can't seem to shake his past with former flame Rihanna, reports <u>People</u>. Brown became visibly upset and violent on Tuesday morning during an interview for <u>Good Morning America</u> when interviewer Robin Roberts began to inquire about his past with Rihanna. A source close to the actor says, "He's been trying to move on from his past and focus on his music, and he's finally putting out an album..." Brown tweeted later on that day giving a shout out to his fans, "Thank you to everyone who supports my music!!! Key Word (music) !!! Love y'all."

How do you start new after you cheat on someone?

Cupid's Advice:

Nobody can answer for you or explain why you cheated, but making sure that you don't repeat the past is imperative to your future. Cupid has some tips on how to start fresh:

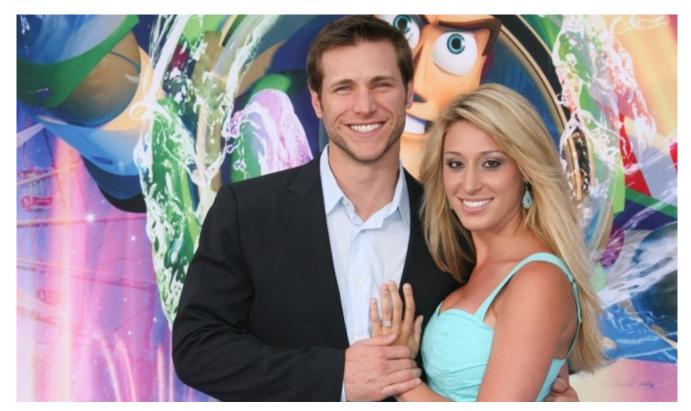
- 1. Take some time: Take time off from dates and pick-ups. The down time will give you the opportunity to reflect on your recent relationships.
- 2. Figure it out: What was the reason that you cheated? Were

you unhappy? Did you do it just because you could? Knowing the motive behind your actions is the first step to correcting any future decisions.

3. Be honest: In your next relationship, be open and forthcoming. Before things get too serious, have a heart-to-heart and explain your past, what you did and why. Being up front from the beginning will show your new partner that you've turned over a new leaf.

LeAnn Rimes and Brandi Glanville End Feud Over Eddie Cibrian





The ongoing internet feud between country crooner LeAnn Rimes and her fiance Eddie Cibrian's ex wife Brandi Glanville is over, reports <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Rimes has been accused of creating a fake Twitter account and cyber bullying Glanville, but both women are denying any harassment has taken place. "We have communicated and have a direct understanding that we are only ourselves on Twitter and have no other accounts that try to destroy one another," Rimes tweeted.

Should you be concerned about your partner's ex?

Cupid's Advice:

Your partner is with you for a reason. Always remember, you were chosen over everyone else:

- 1. Underlying issues: If you're self-conscious about your love life for some reason or you began to date your partner while he was still connected to an ex, this can cause issues. Sometimes you should just ignore the past and focus on the present.
- 2. Over the line: Does your partner's ex continuously step over the line? If the ex in question continues to make

themselves known in an unwanted situation, speak up and tell him or her how you feel.

3. You're naive: If your partner's ex is still around because your partner is keeping them around, perhaps you should look into this. Is your partner being 100% honest with you about letting his ex down slowly and carefully? A breakup takes one conversation, not three weeks.

Bradley Cooper and Renee Zellweger Split





She'll be writing about this one in her diary. Reports from

RadarOnline say that *Bridget Jones* star Renee Zellweger and Bradley Cooper, the star of *The Hangover* and *Limitless*, have broken up after two years together. Neither have commented on the split, but sources have told *UsMagazine.com* that things ended following the release of photos which depict Cooper with another woman. "I just don't want to talk about that," Cooper told Howard Stern while on the shock jock's radio show. Star Magazine revealed Cooper was sneaking around with Hollywood girls such as Sandra Bullock and Jessica Biel.

What are signs that you should move on from a relationship?

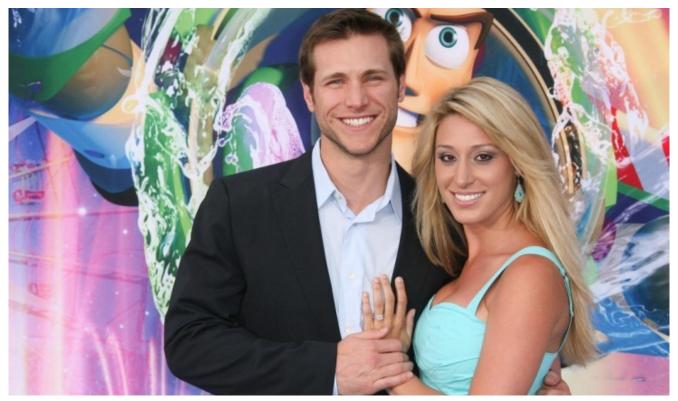
Cupid's Advice:

No relationship is limitless. Cupid has some signals that things have reached their breaking points:

- 1. No more sparks: If you can't remember why you initially became attracted to your lover, then chances are it's time to end things.
- 2. Feelings for someone else: An old rule of dating goes, "If you have time to cheat, you have time to break up." There's no reason to cheat when all it takes is a talk with your partner, explaining to them that you have feelings for someone else.
- **3. 'Happiness is a warm gun':** Although not every minute of dating is fun, if you and your significant other are not generally happy, then it may be time to take a break or say goodbye for good.

Mila Kunis Denies Breaking Up Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel





Friends with Benefits costars, Justin Timberlake and Mila Kunis are friends and nothing more, reports <u>People</u>. Timberlake, who split from girlfriend of four years Jessica Biel over the weekend has been linked to his on-screen girlfriend, Kunis. Sources close to Timberlake deny that Kunis had gotten in between Timberlake and Biel, saying, "In fact, no one came between them. They decided their relationship ran its course and it was time to move on."

Is there someone else to blame for your breakup?

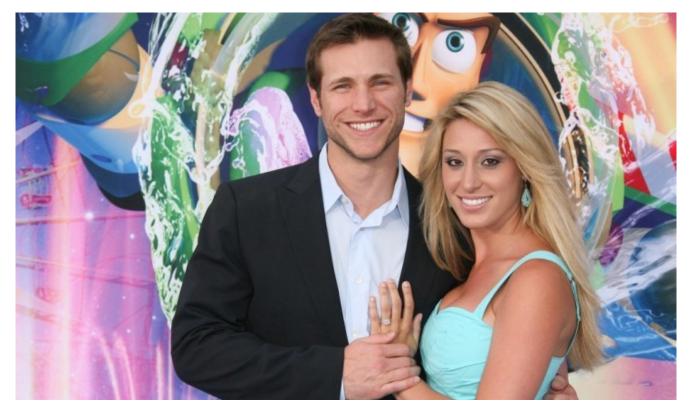
Cupid's Advice:

It's easy to point fingers and put the blame on someone else, especially when it comes to a breakup. It may be easier said than done, but taking an unbiased look at things may reveal some surprising facts:

- 1. Take a step back: Try to look at the situation with new eyes. Did someone else come between you and your partner or were you simply growing apart?
- 2. Give it time: It may be easier to take a few months and then re-open the situation once your emotions have settled down. Think back to how things were at the end of your relationship. You may find there's no one to blame but yourself.
- 3. Warning signs: You may have missed the warning signs that the end of your relationship was near, but they were definitely there. Once your excuses for his bad behavior are lifted, you may see things differently.

Britney Spears Seen with Jason Trawick and Kevin Federline





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

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

Cupid's Advice:

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

1. Don't cling to the past: It all starts with you. Don't continuously talk about your past relationship. Your mate will not appreciate it, and his or her dislike for your ex will deepen.

- 2. Reassurance: Reassure your current partner that things are completely over with your ex, so he or she won't feel threatened.
- 3. Spend time together: It might seem awkward at first, but attend an event with your partner and invite your ex and his or her new mate (if there is one) to be there, too.

Ashley Olsen and Justin Bartha Split





Ashley Olsen is a single celebrity again, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The former *Full House* star and current fashion

designer split with her boyfriend of two years, actor Justin Bartha. Sources say *The Hangover* star was planning to propose to Olsen five months ago. Also, the couple was caught loft-hunting three months ago. Despite these things, one of Bartha's friends insists the relationship is over.

How do you know when a relationship has run its course?

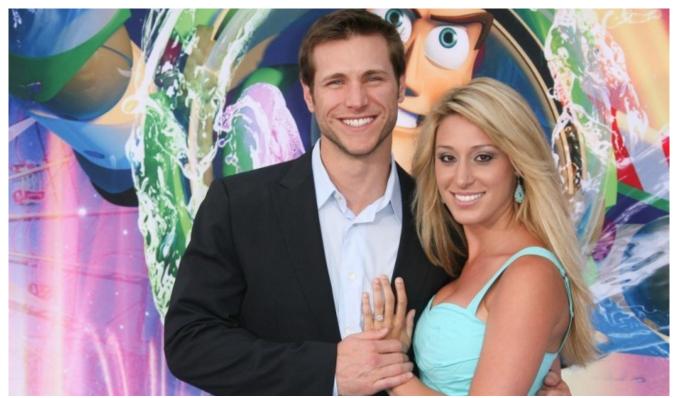
Cupid's Advice:

It's tough to figure out when your Facebook status should be set to "it's complicated" versus "single." Cupid has a few suggestions in figuring out which to go with:

- 1. There are still feelings there: If the two of you still have emotions churning, maybe you both just need some space to think things through.
- 2. You run in the same crowd: Think of Ross and Rachel in Friends. They never distanced themselves from each other and in the end, after much anticipation, they got back together. This may be a similar situation for you and your partner if you have mutual close friends.
- **3. There's no future:** If you don't see what you have going anywhere down the road, then perhaps it's time to call it quits and start living the single life.

Pete Wenz and Ashlee Simpson: Custody Fight in the Works?





A simple divorce may be easier said than done when it comes to Ashlee Simpson and Pete Wentz, reports <u>People</u>. The pair announced the end of their two year marriage last month when Simpson filed for divorce. Initially, the couple made a joint statment saying, "We remain friends and deeply committed and loving parents to our son Bronx, whose happiness and wellbeing remains our No. 1 priority." Now, Wentz has filed a divorce response in Los Angeles. Simpson had orginally filed for divorce requesting sole custody of their two-year-old son. Wentz's request seeks joint custody. Since the divorce proceedings still fairly fresh, it's difficult to say whether or not a custody battle is in the works.

Who should your kids live with after a split?

Cupid's Advice:

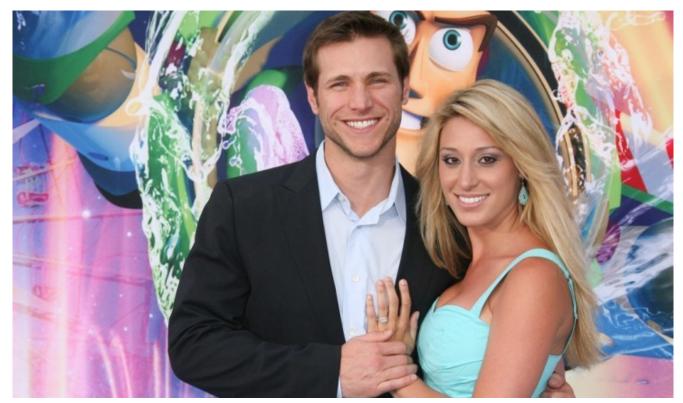
One of the most difficult and important decisions parents can make when going through a divorce is where the children are

placed following. Cupid's got some things to consider:

- 1. If they're young: So much is changing in their lives right now, so it's important to keep as much the same as possible. If they don't have to change schools, don't make them. Have the children stay with the parent who can keep them in the same district.
- 2. If they're older: Let them choose. If both parents are capable and willing, there is no reason why the child(ren) in question can't make the decision.
- **3. Best of both worlds:** If at all possible, file a joint custody arrangement so that both parents would live with the child(ren) at different times.

Did Selena Gomez Get Punched By a Justin Bieber Fan?





When Selena Gomez went public with Justin Bieber, she knew she'd have to deal with her boyfriend's crazy fans. But this time, the "Beliebers" may have gone too far. <u>People</u> reports that after Gomez, 18, was photographed with what looked like a fat lip, rumors started that she was punched by a Bieber fan. Paparazzi snapped the photo when Bieber and Gomez were leaving his 17th birthday party at Maggiano's restaurant in L.A. Gomez's rep insists that there is "absolutely no truth" to the rumors.

How do you deal with your partner's exes?

Cupid's Advice:

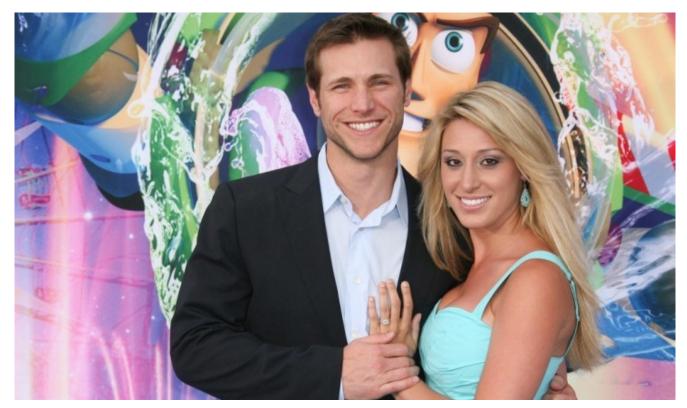
When your partner is as popular a guy as Justin Bieber, he may have a couple of angry or jealous exes. Cupid has some tips on how to deal:

1. Ignore: If there is an ex who is trying to get back with your partner, ignore her and tell your beau to do the same. The ex is probably just trying to get attention and when they realize they can't get it, they'll stop.

- 2. Don't get jealous: Keep jealousy out of the equation. Remember that your partner chose you and broke up with his or her ex for a reason.
- 3. Tell them: When your mate's ex just won't leave you two alone, let the ex know that you're uncomfortable with the way they're acting and if they can't tone it down, they should just stay away.

Brooke Mueller Gets Restraining Order Against Charlie Sheen





The never-ending drama sparked by Charlie Sheen keeps expanding, this time with estranged wife Brooke Mueller filing for a restraining order this past Tuesday, <u>People</u> reports. Sheen, who has recently been in the media spotlight for his bizarre escapades and strange interviews, even caused taping of the prime-time show <u>Two and a Half Men</u> to suspend production. Although Mueller may have ordered Sheen to stay at least 100 yards away from her, the custody issues of Mueller and Sheen's two-year-old twin boys have yet to be discussed.

If your partner has a mental breakdown, what should you do? Cupid's Advice:

It seems as though Charlie Sheen has quite simply lost his mind. And as strange and bizarre as these sudden outbursts may be, a mental breakdown is an illness sometimes:

- 1. Offer love and support: This may come to be harder than you think if the one you love seems to have a sudden change of heart and comes off as a completely different person himself. Remember the person you know and love, not the disease.
- 2. Get somewhere safe: There is no telling what someone with

an unstable mind may attempt. Make sure you and your children are somewhere safe, and always keeps a cellphone on you for emergencies.

3. Have someone to talk to: You may not be the one with the breakdown, but that doesn't mean it won't directly affect you. Have a confidant that you'll be able to lean on for extra support when things start to get tough.

Prince Harry Spotted With Ex-Girlfriend Chelsy Davy





Are Prince Harry and his ex-girlfriend, Chelsy Davy, back

together? The former couple was spotted together in London on Saturday night in a private members club. According to <u>People</u>, the couple was seen at 4 a.m. climbing "into the trunk of a Jaguar to make a discreet getaway." So, what do you guys think? Are they really back together or is this just a fling for now so that Prince Harry will have a date for his brother's wedding?

Who should you bring to a family member's wedding?

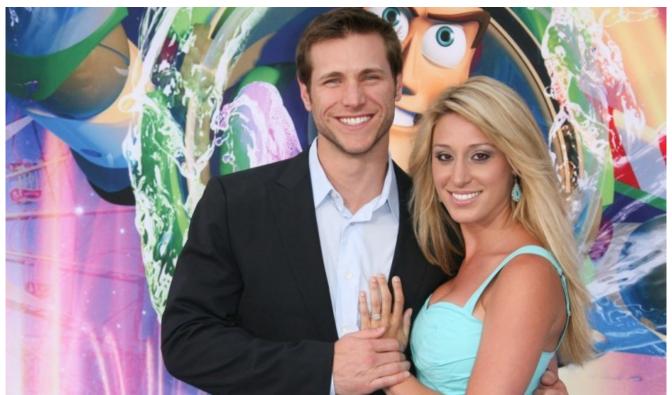
Cupid's Advice:

If a family member's wedding is approaching and you still don't know who to take as your date, Cupid has some suggestions for you:

- 1. Girlfriend or Boyfriend: Have a significant other? Invite him or her to the wedding. This would be a great time for them to get acquainted with your family.
- 2. Best friend: If you're single, bring along the next best option your best friend. She's met your family a gazillion times, and getting an invitation to the wedding will make her feel as if she's part of the family.
- 3. Acquaintance: And if you don't have a partner or a best friend, grab an outgoing and fun-loving acquaintance. This will be a great way for you to get to know each other even better. And of course, if you can't think of anyone, go alone. There will probably be other's there solo as well.

Halle Berry and Gabriel Aubry Begin Ugly Custody Fight





Award-winning actress Halle Berry and her model ex Gabriel Aubry have begun what seems to be a brutal battle of custody over 3-year-old daughter, Nahla, *People* reports. Berry and Aubry, who split last year after four years together, have brought their battle public. Earlier this week, Berry released a statement voicing, "serious concerns for her daughter's well-being while in the care of her father." Sources close to Berry claim that Aubry became verbally abusive to her after their break-up, even using a racial slur. Still, Aubry's friends stand by his side. One source said, "I never saw someone more dedicated to their child."

How can you keep your child out of your custody fight?

Cupid's Advice:

Nobody wants to be involved in a custody battle. But if you do find yourself drawing up visitation papers, make sure to keep your children calm, happy and distracted:

- 1. Keep them busy: Arrange for your kids to go home with a friend after school or spend the weekend with their grandparents. The more you distract your children and keep them away from the fights, the less they'll worry.
- 2. Activities and clubs: After-school activities and clubs, whether it be a sports team or drama club are great outlets for children to release pent-up energy and anger. By the time their activities are done, they're home for dinner, homework and bed.
- 3. Stay in check: This is you and your partner's battle, so don't involve your children. Even though it may be tempting to say something harsh about their mom or dad when tempers rise, don't do it. Children take in everything, and we forget just how observant and impressionable they are.