

# Date is Set for Prince William and Kate Middleton's Marriage



The date is set!

According to [People](#), Prince William and his new fiancée, Kate Middleton, have decided on a spring wedding. The royal union is set to take place on April 29 of this coming year at Westminster Abbey. Both Prince William and Middleton wanted as short of an engagement as possible, and they got their wish. The wedding, which will make Middleton the first non-royal to marry into the royal family in a very long time, will mark a new public holiday for the UK!

**When should you get married?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

**1. Autumn:** There's a reason why the fall is the most popular time for couples to get married. With a gorgeous setting for

outdoor picture taking, an autumn wedding will leave you with the least headache, at least weather-wise.

**2. Summer:** Runner-up as the most popular wedding season, summer is one of the best times to tie the knot. If you're dreaming of a wedding on the beach at sunset, mark your calendar for June, July or August.

**3. A meaningful date:** Ditch traditional wedding seasons and get married on a date that's special between you and your partner. It may be the anniversary of the first time you met, your first date, or even the first time you kissed.

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## Did Heidi Montag Have a Crush on her Plastic Surgeon?





Heidi Montag says she's madly in love with her husband, Spencer Pratt, but did she have eyes for someone else? According to [RadarOnline](#), the former *Hills* star may have had a secret crush on her plastic surgeon, Dr. Frank Ryan, who recently died in a car accident. In fact, sources say that the crush bordered on obsession. Montag tried to see Frank as much as possible, going so far as to get ten plastic surgeries in a single day. "I believe she was romantically obsessed with him ... She saw him as a knight in shining armor," says Dr. Ryan's close friend, Dawn DaLuise. However, Montag claims that it was Dr. Ryan who wanted her to be his "barbie doll."

**How can you tell if your partner is obsessive?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

Though Heidi Montag and Dr. Frank Ryan weren't dating, many relationships can go sour due to an obsessive partner. Cupid has some tips on how to tell if your partner's *too* into you:

**1. He checks in constantly:** There's nothing wrong with the occasional text or phone call when you and your partner are apart. But if your special someone is constantly bugging you about where you are and who you're with, maybe they shouldn't have your number!

**2. He's overly jealous:** Jealousy is inevitable in any relationship, but if your partner is questioning you about every friend you're texting and wincing when you talk to a member of the opposite sex, he may be confusing love with infatuation.

**3. He shows up uninvited:** It's one thing if your boyfriend graces your workplace to give you flowers on a special occasion and quite another if he's constantly showing up uninvited. You may want to have a serious talk about boundaries.

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## 'The Bachelorette' Couple Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez Make Holiday Plans





Engaged *Bachelorette*

couple Ali Fedotowsky and Roberto Martinez aren't sure of their holiday schedule yet, because "scheduling is difficult," says Fedotowsky. One thing that is for sure, however, is that the blonde *Bachelorette* wants a yellow beach cruiser and Christian Louboutin shoes "really bad" for Christmas, according to [Us Weekly](#). Unfortunately, there's one issue with her wish list. Martinez says, "I don't know what they look like!"

**How do you resolve holiday scheduling conflicts with your partner?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Once you bring a partner into the picture, it can be tough to make everyone in your family happy over the holidays. Cupid has a few suggestions:

**1. Prioritize:** Take time to discuss what's important to both you and your partner. Make sure to at least satisfy number one on each of your lists.

**2. Consider your family situation:** If one side of your family has 15 people getting together for the holidays and the other side only has five, go by the numbers. Go where your presence will be most appreciated.

**3. Compromise:** If you and your partner's families live close to one another, split up your time. Spend Christmas Eve with one family and Christmas Day with the other. If they live far apart, switch off by year instead.

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## Miley Cyrus Caught with New Guy at Birthday Bash



Miley Cyrus definitely had fun at her birthday party last weekend. The teen star and fellow teenage actor, Avan Jogia were getting cozy at Trousdale nightclub, reports [Us Weekly](#). Jogia, an actor for the Nickelodeon show *Victorious*, was seen nuzzling the neck of a very scantily-clad Miley Cyrus. As Cyrus turns 18 on Tuesday, she says that her birthday celebrations will continue indefinitely. "I have a birthday

month,” she explained. “I do the whole month of November. Thanksgiving, cake – [it’s] all about me on Thanksgiving!”

## **What are the benefits of dating around?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

While avoiding relationships and constantly dating new guys can be controversial, dating around does have some benefits. Here are a few advantages:

- 1. You have extra time:** When you’re in a serious relationship, a large amount of your time is given to your boyfriend. By having casual flings instead, you have spare time to devote to your career and hobbies.
- 2. You find out what you want:** Especially when you’re young, you may not know what kind of partner you need in. By dating around, you discover certain personality traits you prefer and other’s you don’t.
- 3. Mistakes are less tragic:** Everyone makes mistakes. However, they’re easier to recover from in a casual relationship. The absence of pressure makes it easier to move on and to learn from your blunders more gracefully.

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# **Courtney Cox Deals with Separation from Husband, David Arquette with Humor and**

# Hard Work



Courteney Cox's recent split with husband David Arquette has been making quite a few headlines. Unfortunately, news of the break-up has also been affecting Cox's daughter, six-year-old, Coco. The actress' *Cougar Town* costar Josh Hopkins told [People](#), "The day that the news of the separation broke, there were paparazzi outside of their house, and they were taking pictures when Courteney took Coco to school." Though Courteney Cox has remained strong at home and professional at work, "Coco [still] sees these things, because [paparazzo are] not a normal thing in any respect, and she is a precocious child." Hopkins went on to explain that the couple's split is tougher than most due to their celebrity status. "There's no doubt they have a lot to deal with right now...more than you would in your average separation."

**How do you keep a breakup from affecting your children?**

**Cupid's Advice:**



Recovering from a breakup is hard, and it's even tougher the children involved. Cupid has a few tips to keep your children relatively unaffected:

**1. Cooperate with your ex:** Nothing is more harmful to your children than a battle for custody. Meet your ex halfway, and make some compromises. A civil and orderly split will make the separation much easier.

**2. Be supportive:** Make sure your children know that the split will not affect your feelings for them. They need to be aware that they're loved, even if you and your ex may not feel that way about each other.

**3. Give them time:** No matter how masterfully you handle your breakup, your children will be at least slightly affected. It may be rough now, but in time and with care, your children will adjust.

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## Biggest Loser's Sam Poueu Proposes to Fellow Contestant Stephanie Anderson





It's official!

Former *Biggest Loser* contestant Stephanie Anderson plans on saying "I do" to fellow contestant Sam Poueu, according to [Us Weekly](#). Poueu popped the question at NBC's *Biggest Loser* ranch in California. "I wanted to go back to the ranch, because that's where it all started," said Poueu. The two, who collectively lost 241 pounds on the show, are now ready to build a life together, and they want their *Biggest Loser* family to be there when it happens. "They know what we've been through," says Stephanie Anderson. Though the groom's brother will be his best man, his cousin and partner on the series, Koli Palu, will be a groomsman. Between the announcement and the wedding decisions, the couple has been too caught up in all the excitement to set a date!

**What are ways to decide who will be at your wedding?**

### **Cupids Advice:**

Like Sam Poueu and Stephanie Anderson, engaged couples have to face the difficult decision of who to have at their wedding. Cupid has some tips:

**1. You couldn't imagine it without them:** The first thing you should consider when deciding on guests is what the wedding would be missing without them. Consider looking at wedding photos 10 years down the line. If you want to see them in the

memories, invite them to the wedding.

**2. You've known them for a long time:** Next, you should think about the people who have been present in your life the longest. Usually these are the people who will still be in your life long after the wedding!

**3. You attended their wedding:** If you still have room for more guests, invite those who invited you! If you were special enough to be in their wedding, return the favor!

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## Katy Perry's Dad Speaks Out about Daughter's Marriage to Russell Brand



Sex, drugs and rock n' roll aren't usually a parent's "Teenage Dream," but they added up to the perfect husband for singer Katy Perry, according to her father Keith Hudson. The Santa Barbara preacher told [RadarOnline](#), "You couldn't see two f\*\*king happier people," about his daughter and her new hubby, actor and comedian Russell Brand. "I could not have wished for a better son-in-law in Russell. He makes my girl so happy," said Hudson. "She's so happy and he makes her light up. They're going to be just fine..."

**How can your partner make a good impression on your parents?**

### **Cupid's Advice:**

No matter how old you are, your parents will likely have some influence over your life. Cupid has some tips on how your partner can make a good first impression:

**1. Show common interests:** Before it's time to meet the parents, prep your significant other by briefing him on your parents' interests. That way, he can be prepared with with a shared interest to discuss, which will hopefully spark lively conversation right away.

**2. Build trust:** It's important to build a bond of trust between your parents and significant other early on. Give your partner a small responsibility (like picking your parents up from the airport or making a dish to bring to dinner), that will show he can be trusted to follow through.

**3. Solicit relationship advice:** At a certain age, parents see their child's romantic partners as potential parents of their future grandchildren. Encourage your significant other to interact with young relatives at family gatherings, and to ask for relationship advice from your parents.

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# Tony Parker Speaks Out About Divorce from Wife Eva Longoria



Tony Parker recently set the record straight about his impending divorce from actress Eva Longoria, reports [People](#). The NBA star was aware that Eva Longoria would be filing for divorce in Los Angeles, and they are trying to deal with the situation in private. He also denied rumors that he was the first to file for divorce. “I did not file for divorce in Texas and did not hire divorce attorneys in either Texas or California,” said Parker.

**How do you break the news of a divorce to friends and family?**

## Cupid's Advice:

It's hard enough to admit to yourself that your marriage is coming to an end, which makes it even harder to admit it to other people. Cupid has some tips:

- 1. Be honest:** Once the divorce papers have been filed, don't try to act like everything is honky dory with the other people in your life. Tell those close you what's really going on.
- 2. Don't trash talk:** When a relationship ends, hard feelings are almost always inevitable. Breaking the news to your friends and family isn't an excuse to trash your ex. Stick to the facts.
- 3. Keep the details private:** It's inappropriate to reveal the sensitive details about your current or desired divorce settlement, such as the amount of your alimony payments or custody battle. Break the news, and move on.

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## A New Hollywood Trend: Dating with Kids





By Kelly Seal

Considering dating someone with kids?

Celebrities without children are daring to date single parents these days, at least according to the tabloids. Rocker Matt Bellamy recently started dating single mom Kate Hudson. Brad Pitt became an adoptive father to Angelina Jolie's oldest son shortly after their relationship took off. And let's not forget Jake Gyllenhaal's romance with Reese Witherspoon, single mother of two.

I have to admit, I never thought I'd be dating a man with children, let alone marry him. I don't have any myself, and had never dated any single dads previously. It's one thing to figure out the twists and turns of being in a relationship, and quite another when you add children to the mix. And yet I decided to pursue this path, not only because I fell in love with my husband, but because I saw him as a compassionate, caring, and loving father with his kids.

Whether this is a new trend in Hollywood or not, dating a single mom or dad comes with its own unique challenges. If you find yourself in this situation and are looking to navigate your way through, here are some considerations that may help guide you in the right direction.

**1. Are you looking for a long-term relationship?** Perhaps you've fallen for a single mom or dad, but you aren't really sure if it's just a fling or something more substantial. Until you decide that you are in it for the long-term, don't meet the children. They do not need more instability added to their lives, and it's more confusing when girlfriends or boyfriends come and go. Take your time so you really know what you want.

**2. Be flexible.** Single parents are going it alone, so remember if a child gets sick or has a change in schedule, the parent has to take care of things. If you planned a nice evening out or a trip with your beloved and it gets canceled due to the kids, recognize that sometimes you have to go with the flow.

**3. Do you want to form a relationship with the kids, too?** When you date someone with kids, you're also entering a relationship with his/her children. If you are uncomfortable with the idea of taking the kids places or getting to know them, you may want to reconsider.

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**Eva Longoria Finds Messages  
to Tony Parker from**



# Teammate's Wife



Eva Longoria

officially filed for divorce from San Antonio Spurs player, Tony Parker this past week. The actress was appalled after finding hundreds of inappropriate text messages from the wife of Parker's teammate whose identity still remains a mystery, according to [People](#). The *Desperate Housewife* confided in pal, Mario Lopez, and it's now been revealed that this is not Tony Parker's first affair. Prior to this indiscretion, he cheated with another woman and continued to keep in touch with her on Facebook. "[Eva] is devastated, she wants us all to know that, but she's strong," said Lopez.

**How can you tell if your partner is cheating?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Time will always reveal the truth. If you suspect something is going on, follow your gut. Cupid has some tell-tale signs:

**1. His phone book is full:** If your partner has many names in their cell phone book that you do not recognize or which are listed by only the first name, this could be sign that they are hiding something or someone.

**2. He's not interested:** If your partner begins to lose interest in you either physically or emotionally, one of the reasons could be that he's getting affection elsewhere.

**3. His spending habits change:** If you notice unexplained dinners, hotel rooms, transportation services or gifts, this shady money trail could lead to a cheater.

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## Love and Other Drugs Movie Trailer with Jake Gyllenhaal & Anne Hathaway





Based on the novel “Hard Sell: The Evolution of a Viagra Salesman” by Cupid’s guest author this week, Jamie Reidy, *Love and Other Drugs* brings former *Brokeback Mountain* co-stars Jake Gyllenhaal and Anne Hathaway back together again on the big screen. When Jamie (Gyllenhaal), a charming pharmaceutical drug rep meets Maggie (Hathaway), a seductive free-spirit, the two can’t seem to shake each other. Soon they find themselves bitten by the love bug ... a bite so deep that no prescription can cure it.

**How can you handle dating someone who is emotionally unattached?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

Being in a relationship with none of the emotional attachments that comes along with it may seem like a good idea, but it definitely poses some challenges. Here’s how to deal:

**1. Have a game plan:** If you decide to involve yourself in a situation where it’s all action and no talk, discuss the terms and conditions first. Meeting expectations is easier when you’re both on the same page.

**2. Take small steps:** Chances are that your partner is emotionally unavailable for a reason. Try to be patient, and content with the small steps that they may be making towards a more emotionally stable relationship.

**3. Know when to call it quits:** If one of you starts wanting more from the relationship than the other can handle, it could be time to say goodbye. If you don't want the same things, there may be no other solution.

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## Sources Say Eva Longoria Plans to Divorce from NBA Star Husband, Tony Parker





Eva Longoria and Tony Parker are ending their three-year marriage, reports [Us Weekly](#). Parker had been exchanging personal text messages with another woman for over a year, and Longoria found out. Sources say, “Eva is heartbroken by the betrayal...Once the trust was lost, the marriage was over.” Longoria filed for divorce papers on Wednesday. Says an insider, “Eva truly thought she was going to grow old with Tony and have children with him. She’s inconsolable.”

### **How can you rebuild trust in a failed relationship?**

#### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Whatever your mistake, trust is always the hardest element in a relationship to regain once it’s lost. Here is some advice to help you and your boyfriend or husband reconnect:

**1. Tell the truth:** When you’ve made a mistake, it’s best to be completely open with your partner. At some level, they will appreciate the fact that you’re telling the truth.

**2. Ask questions:** Make sure to ask your boyfriend or husband how they’re feeling. It’s wrong to assume and predict emotions. In order to know how to handle the situation, make sure you fully understand your partner.

3. **Give it time:** No problem can be cured overnight. Give your partner some time, and eventually the trust will reappear.

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# Gwyneth Paltrow Slams Celebrity Couples Who Teach Important Relationship Lessons



By [Jessica DeRubbo](#)

Recent *Glee* guest Gwyneth Paltrow is making headlines lately. Even though she's part of a high-profile celebrity relationship herself, she is speaking out against "unnecessary" celebrity couples. In fact, she went so far as to tell CNN, "It's just unnecessary to be a public couple, and to have your couple-dom or whatever be its own entity. It

doesn't make sense to have that in the public world."

Alright, Gwyneth, I see your point. There are definitely famous couples who live for the spotlight, which is pathetic. One obvious example is former *Hills* stars Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt.

I don't know about you, but I'm under the impression that their every move is to garnish media coverage. And then there's LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian. Has anyone else noticed their everyday presence in tabloids lately? They cheated on their respective spouses with each other and then they spend months defending their indiscretion to the media. Is that necessary?

Even Taylor Swift is becoming a constant presence in the celebrity relationship world. While she doesn't currently have an 'other-half,' I'd be shocked to see someone who *doesn't* know that Taylor Swift is single and loving it. I've read at least three interviews in the last month where she refers to her singleness. Okay, we get it already!

Yes, I see Gwyneth Paltrow's point. She even refers to her own relationship, saying, "When I see high-profile relationships now, I think, 'Oh my God' even though I'm technically in one. But we sort of don't do anything public, we try to keep it behind the scenes as possible (sic).

Because it just generates more interest...it just undermines the quality of your life." That being said, there's certainly a lot to learn from those high-profile pairs that Gwyneth Paltrow speaks about. Celebrity couples can teach us about our own personal relationships. Consider the following:

**1. Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt:** You may roll your eyes at their publicity stunts, but through that negativity you realize that you want to avoid being like them in your own life. They convince you that it's probably best not to discuss every detail of your relationship to anyone who will

listen.

**2. LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian:** This singer and actor duo made the mistake of cheating on their significant others and then defended their decision to do so, even though many would agree that infidelity is morally wrong. LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian help you realize that if you find yourself falling in love with someone who isn't your current partner, you should call it quits and come clean about any wrong doings.

Apologize and move on. And whatever you do, don't rehash the past in public!

**3. Taylor Swift:** She's not only been linked to John Mayer, Taylor Lautner, Joe Jonas and Jake Gyllenhaal, but she's turned around and written songs about it. And right now, Taylor Swift is embracing the single life, calling it "wonderful." What have we learned from her? Being single is okay! Dating is okay! Instead of sulking in a dark corner and lamenting your current solo status, enjoy the experience while it lasts. If Taylor Swift can do it, so can you.

Gwyneth Paltrow may make a valid point in her rant on high-profile celebrity couples, but I highly doubt those who crave the limelight will leave the tabloids anytime soon. As long as they exist, we can use these stories to gain insight into the multifaceted world of dating and relationships.

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## **Jersey Shore's Snooki Shows Off New Boyfriend, Jionni**



# LaValle



After weeks of suspense, Snooki's finally ready to put a face to the tweets and an answer to the question on every *Jersey Shore* fan's minds: "Who is Snooki's mystery man?" According to [RadarOnline](#), Snooki just released pictures of herself with her new boyfriend, Jionni LaValle enjoying Disney World together this past weekend, and it's "LOVE"! Jionni LaValle is a teacher and not so fond of the limelight, which is a huge difference from Snooki's former "juicehead" boyfriends. It's also the reason it took Snooki so long to show off her new man.

**How can you keep your relationship under wraps?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Sometimes at the beginning of a relationship, you may want to spend time enjoying each other without outside distractions. Here is some advice on how to keep things hush-hush:

**1. Romantic night in:** In the beginning, everything the two of you do together is exciting and new, whether it's going out for dinner and a movie or loading up a Netflix DVD and ordering take out. We know you want to show off your new guy, but if everything works out, there will be more than enough time for that.

**2. Lay off the social networks:** Anytime you tweet or post something on Facebook to your new man, you're saying it to his 500 friends and followers. If you feel the need to say something "coupley," shoot him a text.

**3. Watch your body language:** In some situations, you may not be able to avoid public settings with your new guy. If that's the case, make sure your body language doesn't leave people around you wondering about your status.

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## Prince William and Kate Middleton: How Will Their Wedding Compare to Charles and Diana's?





When Prince William marries his fiancée, Kate Middleton, there will be many people who will be comparing his wedding to that of his parents', says [People](#). When Prince Charles married Princess Diana on July 29, 1981, the wedding was viewed by millions around the globe. The bride arrived at St. Paul's Cathedral in a glass coach, dressed in an ivory taffeta and lace gown designed by David and Elizabeth Emanuel. After the ceremony, the royal couple rode in to Buckingham Palace, where they kissed on a balcony in front of thousands of onlookers.

### **How can you make your wedding stand out?**

Cupid's Advice:

- 1. Incorporate unique decor:** You may choose to stay away from traditional wedding color schemes, and go for something more unique for your wedding. For example, if you're getting married in the winter, try silver and white instead of warmer hues.
- 2. Be creative with your vows:** When you write your vows, try to stay away from clichés. Tell a brief story, or crack a joke. The guests, and your husband, will appreciate the effort.
- 3. Be considerate:** While you may have been extremely busy in

preparing for your wedding, chances are your maid of honor has been working just as hard. Reward her, and your other bridesmaids, with a personal and creative gift that shows how much you appreciate them.

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## Dating: First Impressions – Part II



By Alex V. of The

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Reality. If reality was an actual person, I'd probably punch it in the neck. Why? Sometimes, or most times (depending on how much baby Jesus thinks I suck) reality really is a jerk. Only sometimes, though.

I'm a dork, I gigantic geek bag! It's true. No, really, it is! I was a nerd before it was cool, dammit! However,

there's just no helping a person's uninformed perception aka ignorance. You see, being a dork and an odd ball, dating women was often lost on me. No women wanted to date a geek like me, I thought.

You never heard about Dustin Diamond dating a hot girl, now did you? If you did, surely you chuckled at such a ridiculous rumor. However, the coolness of nerds and geeks has sky rocketed over the years, with shows like *Beauty and the Geek* and the rise to stardom of actors, like my hero, Seth Rogen.

Seeing that, the king of chubs and geeks, Seth Rogan was dating super-hottie Lauren Miller, for, at the time, four years, gave me hope that a geek like me could find a hottie of my own as well; and found one I did! The nerd wins!

My girlfriend, I tell my friends, is a lot prettier than a dork like me deserves. I'm sure Seth Rogen felt the same way, too! Once we get passed the looks and the superficial associations and self-stylings, we're all looking for love, ultimately. It's not just about looks, after all. Right?

There was something about this person that made me fall for her, many somethings, if you will.

– The person has got to make you laugh. No question about it. The women I've loved were the ones that made me laugh. No doubt about it.

– Are they open minded? Is your would-be partner in crime willing to pony up when you want to go on an adventure?

– Will they help you clean your place after a raging party at 3am? Just having the support is important.

– Do your friends like your significant other? This, by far, has been the biggest difference for me. Most of the women I've dated, my friends didn't get along with. With my girlfriend, now, all my friends simply adore her. They would probably dump me, if I dump my girlfriend!

– Do they make you believe you can do anything? My girl does.

She's my biggest fan; my biggest cheerleader. The girl supports all of things I'm working on... That's huge. Seth Rogen? You better believe he needs a cheerleader after a box office bomb... I'm just sayin'.

It's pretty amazing what becomes clear once we set perceptions about beauty and status aside. No?

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## Expecting 'Bachelor' Couple Jesse Csincsak and Ann Lueders Go Hiking



Former *Bachelor* winner Jesse Csincsak and his pregnant wife, Ann Lueders, still find ways to stay active and healthy together, [People](#) reports. Lueders, who used to jog daily pre-pregnancy, has swapped her jogging sneakers for hiking boots as her and her

husband take their two Siberian huskies on two mile walks.

Now in her third trimester, Lueders and Csincsak have toned down the level of exercise in their lifestyle, but they haven't cut it out all together.

### **What are some fun ways couples can exercise together?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Studies have shown that couples who exercise together, stay together. Being fit and healthy isn't just good for you, but for your relationship as well:

**1. Walk it out:** Take a tip from the *Bachelor* couple, and get moving. Walk, jog or hike. Whether it's with the dogs, around your neighborhood or a trip to the state park, the quality time you spend together is irreplaceable.

**2. Make goals:** Set goals together, and watch each other accomplish them. The support and dedication to make each other succeed will create a stronger bond.

**3. Challenge each other:** Sign up for your city's 2011 marathon, and train together. There's nothing more important than a support system. Teaming up with your partner and getting through a challenging event together, can only help strengthen your relationship if you face bigger obstacles down the road.

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## **Dating: First Impressions –**

# Part I



By Taylor Cast of

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First impressions are incredibly important, and even more so when it comes to dating. People make a snap decision when they meet someone if that person is going to be a friend or potential date. Instant decisions are an innate process in us, and most of the time we don't change our mind. I have met men who in theory are exactly what I want, but they failed to impress, and I lost the urge to pursue dating them. Or men who in their dating profiles are good looking, they have great "stats," and then they misspell something. For example, the last guy to message me said in his profile that he is "very intelligant." Afraid not pal.

When we first meet a person we size them up, make judgments and decide if this person is going to get us naked. My roommate will not date a man who shows up with dirty shoes. So if his white sneakers have the slightest tinge of dirt on them, she is done with him. I eliminate men based on their



literary knowledge. It may be silly, but we all do it. A guy friend of mine wouldn't even entertain the idea of dating a brunette, because blondes were his "thing." We decide that a person isn't for us based on that first minute or so.

Now pretend you're a famous celebrity: a star whom the world knows. Every detail of your life is published for the masses to consume. Oh, and you're single. No, thank you. I can't imagine what it is like to date as a celebrity, where most of the public thinks they "know" you. To have all of those preconceived notions out there about you and then to meet someone and show them who you really are. How difficult must it be to be Jennifer Aniston? Most of the public pities her for the end of her marriage and inability to find a partner. Can you imagine what it's like for her to meet someone and go on a first date?

Dating is difficult enough, but to have the obstacle of being incredibly famous must at times feel like an incredible burden. I'm sure Jennifer Aniston has her own ideas of what she wants in a man, and first impressions must count ten fold to her than any of the rest of us. That man has to follow in the steps of Brad Pitt. BRAD PITT. I don't know if there could be bigger shoes to fill.

*For the second part to this series, visit us on Thursday for The Urban Dater's male perspective from Alex V.*

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**Jessica Simpson and Eric**

# Johnson Are Engaged



Free agent NFL player Eric Johnson has officially proposed to Jessica Simpson. The good news is that she's accepted, according to [People](#). After being introduced by mutual friends in May, the pair started dating. Recently, they celebrated Jessica Simpson's 30<sup>th</sup> birthday in romantic Italy. Fans can look for this athlete and singer/fashion designer combo at the upcoming Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. "I'm gonna be on a [Macy's parade] float. It's not always the best way to spend a Thanksgiving, but it's a great way to celebrate. So, maybe I'll just have all families on the float," said Jessica Simpson.

**What are some ways you can meet your future mate?**

## **Cupid's Advice:**

Like many other couples, Jessica Simpson and Eric Johnson were introduced through mutual friends. Though there is no best way to meet your future partner, the secret is to put yourself

out there. Cupid has a few options to explore:

**1. Online dating:** The use of the Internet can expand your dating pool many times over. If you're having trouble meeting people the traditional way (in person), getting to know potential partners via online dating sites may be the answer.

**2. Singles' mixers:** Speed dating and singles cruises are great options for those looking to meet their next love interest. It takes the guessing out of the situation because you know everyone is attending for the same reason.

**3. The friend connection:** Whether you're being introduced to someone new through friends or playing wingman for a pal, friends play a huge role in helping you find a happy relationship. Utilize your network!

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## 'Hills' Couple Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt to Renew Vows





Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt are making headlines once again. The *Hills* couple are now planning to renew their vows. "I feel like our first [wedding] was an elopement and we had so many margaritas and it was such a crazy time...and then the second one wasn't our wedding. It was just a *Hills* wedding, and it was for all the people there, and it was about everyone else," said Heidi Montag, according to [Us Weekly](#). The couple's marriage has had its fair share of ups and downs so far, including short-lived divorce proceedings. Heidi Montag explained, saying, "We had just gone through so much crazy stuff personally and through our jobs and everything, so for me this feels like our first real marriage. Like our first restart. We deserve a second chance at our marriage and really having this moment and not being robbed of this."

### **What are some creative ways to renew your vows?**

#### **Cupid's Advice:**

Renewing your vows is a great way to strengthen your marriage. Here are a few ways to keep the ceremony intriguing:

- 1. Go back to the original venue:** Try going back to the place you were originally married. While it may be easier to revisit a church than a beach in Hawaii, it will be fun to return to a place with so many memories.

**2. Celebrate with new friends:** You and your husband have inevitably made some new friends since your wedding. Invite your new pals as well as the old so that they can add some new life to the occasion!

**3. Incorporate your children:** If you have had children since your wedding, make sure that they can be a part of the ceremony as well. If you haven't been blessed with children yet, bring along your pets. A dog ring bearer is always a crowd pleaser.

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## Sources Say Prince William and Kate Middleton Are Engaged



Hearts are breaking all over the world. [Us Weekly](#) reports that “after eight years

of dating and two brief splits, Prince William and love Kate Middleton will finally tie the knot next year.” Due to Prince William’s wedding jitters, Kate Middleton agreed to wait after making a secret pact to marry three years ago while the royal couple were on vacation in the Seychelles. While the palace representative refuses to comment on the matter, sources are claiming, “The engagement will be announced in 2011.”

## **What are the benefits to a secret engagement?**

Cupid’s Advice:

You’ve said ‘yes’! Now what? There are many ways to celebrate your engagement, and keeping a secret is just one of them:

- 1. Avoid the Q&A:** The engagement period is meant to be a special time between you and your fiancée. Keeping it a secret can help keep both of you relaxed while avoiding never-ending questions from friends and family.
  - 2. Keep family peace:** Unfortunately, your family won’t love just anyone you bring home. If you’re certain that your current mate is “the one,” keeping your engagement a secret will keep the peace.
  - 3. Easily elope:** While it’s been said that every girl dreams of the day she walks down the aisle, most people forget about the months of chaotic planning. An alternative choice is to remain mum and elope! Just be sure to send out a beautiful photo to friends and family who missed out.
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# Christina Milian: 'I Love Being Single'



Though Christina Milian will be appearing in the holiday movie *Christmas Cupid* December 12<sup>th</sup> on ABC Family, she does not plan on being struck by Cupid's arrow anytime soon. As the singer/actress told [People](#), there is no man in her life now, and she loves being single. Christina Milian recently split from rapper-producer The Dream. The two have an 8-month-old daughter together, and she is her mother's first priority. She says, "I'm learning about myself all over again. And as far as my daughter, I will never bring anyone into her life that I don't have a real connection with. I'm going to protect her. I don't just bring anyone into my life or her life." **What are some of the perks of being single?**

## Cupid's Advice:

Being in a relationship is wonderful, but being single can be just as amazing. After all, you have to love yourself before

you can begin to love someone else:

**1. Embrace independence:** Singles can breathe a sigh of relief because the only person they have to worry about is themselves.

**2. Self-reflect:** Flying solo means you have time to find yourself and figure out what you want from a potential future relationship.

**3. Enjoy being alone:** You are always your best company. So if your last relationship didn't work out, remember it's far better to be alone than in bad company.

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## Pete Wentz Says Jessica Simpson Is In Love with Boyfriend, Eric Johnson







It looks like Jessica Simpson and beau Eric Johnson have the seal of approval from Simpson's brother-in-law, rocker Pete Wentz. According to [People](#), Pete Wentz said, "He's a really smart guy, and Jessica really loves him." He explained, saying, "I think that's the most important thing, seeing her happy."

**What are some ways to tell if your love is the real thing?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Many relationships come and go, but how do you know when it's not just lust – it's love? Cupid has a few things to look for:

- 1. You can talk:** You and your partner can talk for hours without getting bored. Conversation becomes second-nature and requires little effort.
- 2. There's no stress:** When you no longer stress over bad hair days or an unflattering outfit, then you know that your relationship is for real. You're completely comfortable with your beau.
- 3. You can be yourself:** When you are more yourself around your mate than you are around any of your other friends, then you know that you're truly in love.

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# My Love Relationship with Celebrities and Fame



By Royal Young of

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Charlie Sheen's recent escort escapades are good for a raunchy laugh, but they are part of a trend in bad celebrity behavior that has poisoned my own ideas about passion. I have always chased fame – which never seemed to match up with love – despite the fact that my devoted parents have been together for almost 30 years. While I'm sure there are plenty of Hollywood homebodies with happy marriages, we are constantly bombarded with the burning Bentley car wreck of celebrity relationships.

Growing up as a reserved Jewish boy already predisposed to solitude who would only come alive when performing, I decided

I would never need to use my heart. Spotlights were flirtatious, and applause was better than the attention I couldn't get from pretty girls my own age. I turned into a hungry ghost, too self-obsessed to want anything but vague, vacuous fame – at any cost.

I was raised on the Lower East Side in the '90s (before its multi-million dollar reincarnation) and went to LaGuardia "Fame" High School. I chased gaudy glamour after graduation and skipped college for empty extra roles in music videos, sleazy modeling gigs, sex exchanged for money and promises of lines in movies that were never made – all which led to failed, fledgling relationships. I wore outlandish, revealing outfits for attention, and was thrilled when shutterbugs snapped my portrait for a street style section picked up by Gawker, where, to my glee, I received so much hate mail. Yet without any long-term girlfriend – since I pushed away every person who tried to get close to me – I felt empty.

At 24, I realized I hadn't been in a normal relationship for ten years. Sure, I've hooked up with models and had two seconds of screen time in some indie movies, Boy George once winked at me and I've partied with Yoko Ono, but I suddenly craved the comfort of a real lover. For the first time in my life, I wanted the stability and support my parents seemed to have, working through their issues as a loving team. But I had no idea where to start. I no longer wanted to be a fame shark, get featured on Perez Hilton, or go dancing with the stars. I knew none of that would make me feel like I had a home or a heart, or allow me to be satisfied with who I was: a shy loner who longed to fit in with a loud, lascivious crowd. When it came to love, I realized there were no rules except for letting go; I just wish there were some tabloids that could teach me how.

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