

Selena Gomez Admits Justin Bieber Is More Than a Little Brother



While appearing on *Ellen* this week, Selena Gomez had to defend some comments she made about her alleged boyfriend, Justin Bieber, according to [People](#). Last September, when Ellen DeGeneres asked Gomez, 18, about Bieber, 17, she replied, “He’s little. He’s like my little brother.” This time around, DeGeneres put her on the spot and asked, “He’s like your little brother? ... What do you have to say now?” The couple was spotted kissing in the Caribbean in January and a month later, they attended the Vanity Fair Oscar party together. However, the Disney star still refuses to confirm they’re dating, telling Ellen, “He’s just sweet.”

How do you stay quiet about a relationship without lying?


Cupid’s Advice:

Sometimes you just need some privacy in a relationship, but it’s hard to keep it a secret without hurting people’s feelings or lying. Cupid has some ideas on what to do in this kind of situation:

- 1. Change the subject:** When someone asks about your relationship, casually change the subject. They should get the hint and stop asking about your significant other.
- 2. Avoid nosy people:** You know that friend that can’t keep a secret? You might want to avoid telling them about you and your mate if you want to keep it quiet. And not telling them is not the same as lying.

3. No PDA... for now: If you don't want to get into a situation where people ask you about who you're dating and you have to lie, avoid it all together by keeping PDA to a minimum. Once you're ready to tell the world about your significant other, you can get back to being affectionate in public.

Alex Pettyfer Calls Dating Glee's Dianna Agron 'Amazing'

 *I Am Number Four* actor Alex Pettyfer revealed a few details about his relationship with *Glee* star Dianna Agron on *The Ellen Degeneres Show* on Friday, reports UsMagazine.com. "She's an amazing woman and she's got this old school, classic movie star elegance to her..she's a very nice girl," said Pettyfer. Degeneres playfully dug for more details as the actor sipped from his coffee cup, eventually eliciting the response, "I'm just very happy in my personal life."

How do you know if your relationship is on the right track?

Cupid's Advice:

Constant dating can become routine for many, but it's important to know when you have genuinely struck gold. Here are a few signs that your relationship is on the right track:


1. It's easy to make plans: If the two of you seem to be able to plan dates efficiently and with little delay in between, it's a sure sign that both you and your partner are clearly interested.

2. Dates are effortless: Dates that include flowing conversation and frequent jokes are a sure sign that the two of you are connecting.

3. You genuinely like him: If you catch yourself admiring his emotional and physical attributes, then your relationship is on the right track. Genuinely liking someone is the first step toward caring for him or her.

Jennifer Love Hewitt Picks Out Three Wedding Rings



 Jennifer Love Hewitt is making it really easy for her boyfriend to propose by picking out three engagement rings for him to choose from. The 31-year-old actress has been dating Chicago actor and director Alex Beh for seven months, and things must be going well for the couple. Hewitt told Ellen Degeneres that she found the rings at Tiffany's, according to *People*. "I feel like I'm doing the guy a favor. I don't want to be upset if he picks a bad ring, so I feel like having three picked out and saying, 'Look! Look at this plethora of things you can choose from!'"

What are ways to make sure your groom-to-be picks out the right ring?

Cupid's Advice:

Getting engaged is exciting, but getting engaged with the right ring? Perfect. Cupid has some tips on how to make sure your mate proposes with the right rock:

1. Drop hints: If you want him to shop at a certain store, get him on the mailing list or rip out ads from the store and put them where he'll find them. He should get the hint eventually.

2. Use a celebrity example: Pick up a copy of *People* and point out a particular celebrity's engagement ring as beautiful. Giving him an idea of the style and design you want will help guide him when picking out a ring.

3. Have breakfast at Tiffany's: If you are really picky and know exactly the ring you want, tell your man that when he proposes, you'd love to be able to pick out the ring yourself. Being proposed to in Tiffany's with your choice of ring is also very romantic (see: *Sweet Home Alabama*).

Forbes: What Do Powerful Celebrity Women Really Want From a Relationship?



 By Krissy Dolor

Forbes may be a money magazine, but that doesn't mean that they don't love celebrities, too! Last week, the magazine reported on a recent study conducted by the University of Abertay Dundee in Scotland, which found that as women earn money and financial independence, their attraction to good-looking, older men increases. In addition, these women hold a man's looks to a higher standard. The university has dubbed this "The George Clooney effect."

Previous studies have found that women care more about whether or not a man can provide for them, while men were more attracted to lookers. This new study showed that when a woman's income increases, her taste in men change.

"We'd assumed that as women earn more, their partner preferences would actually become more like those of men, with a tendency towards preferring younger, more attractive partners rather than those who can provide and care for children," said lead researcher Dr. Fhionna Moore, a psychology lecturer at the University of Abertay Dundee. "However, the preferred age difference did not change as we'd expected – more financially independent women actually preferred even older men. We think this suggests greater financial independence gives women more confidence in partner choices, and attracts them to powerful, attractive older men."

Forbes analyzed 12 celebrity couples, posing this question: What is each woman in the celebrity couple attracted to? They say that Angelina Jolie, as one of the highest-earning women in Hollywood (\$20 million), wants a hot, older man. Hubby Brad Pitt is 12 years older than the starlet. Think Demi Moore's marriage to Ashton Kutcher is part of the cougar effect? Think again. She told *Harper's Bazaar* she does not like the term – and Kutcher's Twitter presence seems to garner enough fame on its own. We can even look at Ellen DeGeneres, who earned \$55 million last year, and is married to Portia De Rossi – a woman 15 years her junior.

In addition to the UK study, lead researcher at dating site [eHarmony](#), Gian Gonzaga, said in the *Forbes* article that high-earning women are attracted to successful men who have established careers – and typically, these men are older. "In the data I've seen, women always want higher earning men," said Gonzaga. He also said, "the Cougar thing is likely a myth."

Well, there you have it: money only begets more money. If only there were a slew of George Clooney and Brad Pitt look-alikes up for grabs...

Katy Perry Takes Russell Brand's Last Name

✖ It's official: Katy Perry will soon be known as Katy Brand, according to [People](#). The 26-year-old singer told Ellen DeGeneres that since her wedding on October 23rd, she has been in the process of taking her husband Russell Brand's last name. She said that people already call her Mrs. Brand to "try to get my attention... Like if I'm at an event or something like that, and they want special attention, they go, 'Mrs. Brand!' And I go shwoosh [looks back]."

How do you decide whether to take your partner's last name?

Cupid's Advice:

In a recent survey, 70 percent of Americans said they believe that women should take their husband's last name when they get married, but is it the right decision for you? Cupid has some things to consider:

1. Family unity: A lot of couples believe that having the same name is an important part of feeling like a family unit when you get married. If you're concerned about unity, changing your name may be the right choice.


2. Career/identity: You've lived with your maiden name for a

long time, and it connects you to your parents and siblings. Plus, if you've already established yourself professionally, it might actually hurt your career to change your name now.

3. More options: There are more than just two options when you get married. You can also have a hyphenated last name, you can take his name and use your maiden name professionally, or he can take your name!

Ben Affleck Leaves Christmas Shopping to Wife, Jennifer Garner



 Who would have pegged Ben Affleck for the old fashioned type? According to [People](#), in a recent interview with Ellen Degeneres, Affleck said that he leaves the holiday shopping up to his wife, Jennifer Garner. Although Affleck is aware that his approach to Christmas shopping may be a bit outdated, he explained himself by saying that Garner is “just an efficient Christmas-shopping machine,” while he sits around sputtering over the single gift for which he's most responsible – the one for his wife.

What are ways to split family responsibilities in a relationship?

Cupid's Advice:

A relationship is all about sharing. No one person can bear all the responsibility, no matter how capable they seem.

Cupid has some ways to help distribute the family responsibilities fairly:

- 1. Based on availability:** Some weeks are more hectic than others. Figure out how much free time both of you have, and then distribute the responsibilities accordingly.
 - 2. Based on skills:** Whether it's shopping or fixing the car, you each have your own strengths. In order to get everything done efficiently, split up responsibilities based on each other's skillsets.
 - 3. Based on past decisions:** Whatever way you decide to split up the responsibilities, you should come to a decision each week or month about what each person is able and willing to take on. Then, stick to it!
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David & Victoria Beckham Argue on 'Ellen'



According to [People](#), all-star couple David and Victoria Beckham got in their first fight in 11 years this week on *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*. Apparently, the two have very different ideas about housekeeping. They both seem to think the other is the messy one. However, there are no hard feelings between the soccer star and the former Spice Girl. "I'm sure there are a lot of things that I do that drive her crazy," said Beckham.

Is it ever a good idea to fight with your partner in public?

Cupid's Advice:

Though disagreeing about daily chores is hardly a public brawl, fighting in public is never part of a healthy relationship:

1. Unwanted attention: Though you may feel strongly about your end of the argument, fighting in public can be embarrassing for both you and your partner. Wait until you can discuss things in private before you vent. It'll also give you some more time to think.

2. Overhearing: When you fight in public, people around you inevitably overhear. Often times you're having a heated discussion about topics that aren't necessarily meant to go public – personal issues. If you don't want the whole world knowing intimate details about your relationship, refrain from duking it out in a public arena.

3. Trouble: In extreme cases, you might be deemed a “trouble customer” if your fight originates in a place of business. The last thing you need is that type of reputation at your location grocery store. Think about the consequences of your public dispute before you engage in one.