

Oprah Grills Kardashians on Kim's Brief Marriage to Kris Humphries



Oprah Winfrey interviewed the entire Kardashian 'klan,' but it was Kim and her abrupt marriage to Kris Humphries that peaked her interests the most. Winfrey admits that she had never seen any of the Kardashian reality shows, making her question all the more why they have become such a cultural phenomenon and the cause of much media speculation. [People](#) reports that Winfrey took to Facebook to express her thoughts and wrote, "This interview I'd say was another level of forthrightness and honesty. Why did she leave after 72 days? Her answer leveled me." We'll have to wait for Kim to open up about her much-talked-about divorce when the highly anticipated interview airs on OWN.

How do you avoid getting married before you're ready?

Cupid's Advice:

Many people like Kim Kardashian get lost in the fairytale perception of marriage when, like relationships, it comes with ups and downs for which you have to be prepared. Here are some ways to avoid rushing into marriage:

1. Don't say 'yes' just because your partner proposes: Proposals are most often unexpected, which means you don't have time to think about the consequences of your answer because you are caught up in the moment. If you feel any hesitation, do not say 'yes.' It doesn't mean you don't love your partner; the timing could be wrong. Explain your reasoning, and they will understand.

2. Focus on the present, not the future: When you've been dating someone, it's easy to get lost in the romance and talk about your hopes for the future. These talks could be giving your partner false hints and hope. Do not get carried away in talking about marriage and children to a person you are not sure you want to marry or have kids with.

3. Set a goal: Set a goal, and stick to it. Plan a certain age that you would like to be married so that when the time and age comes, you will know you are making a reasonable decision.

How would you avoid getting married too early? Tell us below.

Celebrity Couples Who Have

Worn Out Their Welcome



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There are some celebrity couples that we love to hate. Sure, they annoy us, but we can't help but wonder what they'll do next. And then there are those couples that we want to go away. They're constantly in the news – and often, for the wrong reasons. Thanks to their outlandish behavior, we've forgotten why they're famous in the first place.

From their frisky displays of public affection to their willingness to do *anything* for attention, these five Hollywood pairs have us wishing that they'd break up already:

1. Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt: This couple first met when Lauren Conrad introduced them on *The Hills*, and we've been following their rocky romance ever since. After their reality show ended, the couple strived to stay in the

spotlight with their alleged divorce, Montag's multiple plastic surgeries and her fledgling singing career. Most recently, Speidi has attracted attention by contacting their former – and estranged – co-stars through Twitter. These messages were ignored, making us wonder why we don't do the same.

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2. Kim Kardashian and Kanye West: Although this new couple hasn't yet confirmed their relationship, they're certainly not keeping their feelings for each other under wraps. Taking their love from coast to coast, they've been spotted getting cozy at a restaurant opening in New York City as well as a Los Angeles Lakers game. Kardashian's even made a romantic fashion statement for her new man, sporting 'KW' earrings at numerous public appearances. Given Kardashian's romantic track record, here's to hoping this relationship doesn't surpass the 72-day mark.

3. LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian: Their relationship had a memorable start: the couple met when they co-starred in the Lifetime movie *Northern Lights*, and they instantly fell for each other; although, both were married at the time. Rimes and Cibrian have never been shy about their relationship, even going on public dates during their extramarital affair. From Rimes' revealing tweets to their constant PDA, it's time for this couple to get a room.

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4. Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi and Jionni LaValle: Just when we've grown accustomed to their outrageous behavior on *Jersey Shore*, Polizzi and LaValle shock us with a big announcement: they're engaged – and expecting a baby! Since promising to change her wild child ways, Polizzi says that her partying days are over and that "pregnancy just made [her] more

mature.” Still, the star can’t help but attract attention, tweeting pictures of her cleavage and belly. When will enough be enough?

5. Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth: The on-again, off-again couple met on the set of *The Last Song* and quickly took their chemistry off-screen, with Cyrus sharing private details of their relationship through her Twitter account. The former costars recently got engaged, but we’re starting to care less and less about their next moves.

Which celebrity couple do you most wish would disappear? Share your thoughts below.

Kim Kardashian and Kanye West Buy His and Her Shoes





Kim

Kardashian is lucky to be in a relationship with Kanye West, if only for her love of shoes! According to [People](#), Kardashian tweeted a picture of her and West wearing the highly sought after Nike Air Yeezy II, with the caption “His & Hers!#AirYeezys.” West designed these limited edition sneakers that are going for a retail price of \$245, but are over \$90,000 on eBay. Even though adult men were camping outside of stores for these sneakers, it’s the gal dating the designer, who’s rarely spotted in anything but heels, who gets the first pair!

What are some ways to coordinate your style with your partner’s?

Cupid’s Advice:

1. Formal attire: It may sound cheesy, but why not relive some high school prom memories and match his tie to your dress? If you’re going to a fancy event, coordinating your outfits can be fun and looks great in pictures.

2. Casual wear: If you and your man are going for a day time look, sport matching flannels. They’re comfortable for him and can easily be dressed up with some jewelry for you.

3. Accessorize: Hats, scarves, and sunglasses are great items that both you and your man can rock. Aviators look great on almost anyone, and you don't necessarily have to be going to a baseball game to wear the same cap.

What are some other ways to coordinate your style with your partner's? Tell us below.

Kim Kardashian's Daytime Date Looks



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Although Kim Kardashian has had her share of ups and downs in her love life, she definitely can rock an outfit on any date.

Kim has a great sense of style and always knows how to dress her curvy body to make it look great. Take a few fashion tips from her on her bright color choices and use of accessories!

In this first look (image above), she is wearing her signature stacked platform heels with a pop of orange, which is great for spring and summer fashion. The look works for any daytime date, keeping it casual while still looking polished. Finish it off with some soft waves in your hair and a light polish on your nails, and you will be ready for a day out with your favorite man.

- 1. Blank Denim Vegan pants \$78**
- 2. Christopher Kane Jacket (actual) \$1900**
- 3. Urban Outfitters SkarGorn Female Tee \$58**
- 4. Kimchi Black Platforms \$68**
- 5. Trina Turk Tortoise Cuff \$75**

Kim's next look is great for a baseball game, lunch date or any other spontaneous afternoon activity. Keep accessories as the main focus, and your outfit with look effortless.



1. Asos Workwear Blazer \$44
2. Aldo Fones Sunglasses \$12
3. Big Buddha Palm Bag \$78
4. Bertie Kasses Tribal Sandal \$112
5. Sanctuary Cargo Pants \$78.90
6. Essie Nail Polish "Sheer Bliss" \$7.95

No matter what the occasion, take a cue from this gorgeous reality star and showcase your assets while looking simple and stylish!

Kim Kardashian Gives Love

Advice as Guest Star on 'Drop Dead Diva'



The beautiful Kim Kardashian did the honors of being a guest star for the June 3rd season premiere of Lifetime's hit TV show, *Drop Dead Diva*. The reality television veteran, who divorced Kris Humphries late last year and is now dating Kanye West, portrays a juice bar worker who is rumored to be a relationship guru. In the premiere preview, Kardashian's character offers love advice to a struggling model played by April Blowby, who still has feelings for her ex. *Drop Dead Diva* creator Josh Berman praises the 31-year-old for her acting skills, telling UsMagazine.com, "I'm blown away by her smarts, sense of humor, and passion." After Kardashian's appearances in the show's season premiere, in addition to two other episodes, the reality television star is sure to be a pro.

How do you decide who to ask for relationship advice?

Cupid's Advice:

Obtaining relationship advice is important for any individual who is looking to make sense of what is going on in their love life. Here are some ways to help you choose the right experts:

1. The mediator: A mediator thinks logically, distinguishing between what is right and wrong or irrational and rational, rather than picking a single person's side.

2. The one in an ideal relationship: Great relationships usually have amazing individuals who maintain them. They are likely to have the knowledge it takes to make good decisions that strengthen a relationship.

3. The one you trust: A trustworthy friend has your best interests at heart. They'll give you the best advice that they can.

How do you choose who to seek relationship advice from? Share your stories with us.

Hollywood Relationships: Love, Marriage, and the Money in Between





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Katy Perry was in love with Russell Brand. They got married, and then 14 months later, they experienced a celebrity divorce. When Hollywood relationships heat up so fast and end just as quickly, we all go running to blogs and message boards looking for answers. Often, reasons why celebrity couples break up are obvious...and it usually involves money.

Causes of Failed Hollywood Relationships

In Perry's case, she was a popular singer before marrying Brit uber-talent Brand. Both of them were exceedingly busy on photo and movie shoots, concert tours, and everything else that accompanies stardom. With so much time spent apart, it's no wonder they experienced problems that ultimately resulted in a failed celebrity marriage. The question is: What makes celebs think they can sustain a healthy relationship and love while living apart and chasing the almighty dollar rather than the connection that keeps the home fires burning?

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Perry and Brand aren't the only culprits to this type of demise. Perhaps the biggest wedding sham of all time was Kim Kardashian's televised nuptials to NBA power forward Kris Humphries of the New Jersey Nets. After 10 million viewers watched the choreographed broadcast on *E!*, 72 short days later, it was all over. Once it occurred to Humphries that Kardashian got what she wanted – astronomical wedding coverage gracing dozens of magazine covers and an \$18 million payday for the exclusive rights – he filed to have the marriage annulled, citing fraud allegations. It was merely an attempt to save face after being used and branded in the national tabloids as the villain and then subsequently lambasted online by Kardashian's family.

Kardashian refused to ante up the \$9 million owed to Humphries for his role of a lifetime in the wedding plot, but then, she offered \$7 million as a consolation prize. Over 90 days after the 72 day scam marriage ended, their celebrity divorce is still pending and adoring fans are still choosing sides. Yet another hot mess caused by money!

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Money, Relationships, and Love

Stories of Hollywood relationships like Brand and Perry's or Kardashian and Humphries's are all over the place, and there's usually the issue of money behind all of them. Even if money doesn't destroy a relationship and love, it always has a place. Even famous couple Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie use money to buy happiness on occasion (see her massive engagement ring and \$25 million donation toward children's image rights).

Although us normal folk don't typically have the type of cash that popular celebrities bring to the table, it's still good

to learn from the often careless ways in which they throw that money around. We should keep cash in the back of our minds, if at all possible, while pursuing a deep connection.

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Kim Kardashian & Kanye West Double Date with Rob Kardashian & Rita Ora



The Kardashian's shared their love together while enjoying a double date in London on Wednesday night. Kim Kardashian sat

comfortably beside her recent beau, Kanye West, while Rob Kardashian snuggled next to his girlfriend, Rita Ora at Zuma. Rob and Ora have been dating since last December, and she and Kim seemed to get along perfectly during the dinner, an onlooker for UsMagazine.com reported. West and Kardashian were even showing some affection during the dinner. "When Kanye got up to leave he gave Kim a lovely tender kiss on the lips," the witness added. Kanye West's collaborator and long time friend Jay-Z was also spotted in Zuma.

How can double dates bring you closer together as a couple?

Cupid's Advice:

Double dating can test out how your relationship works around other people. If you double date with your family or best friends, then it's all even more important as to how well the date goes, because when someone dates you, they date your family, too. These are some reasons as to why double dates can bring you closer together as a couple:

1. You're being social, together: If you're dating someone, you most likely have a good time together, but for the most part without other people. If you can both have a great time with other people, then you're even more compatible.

2. Get to know the people in each others' lives: Double dating can be a great way for both of you to get to know each others' friends and family. It could be a time to open up, under less pressure.

3. Learn more about each other: You know how your partner is when you're alone, but double dating could allow you to see how they are around the people who know them best. You learn more about what they like and how they are.

What are ways you think a couple can benefit from double dating? Share your thoughts below.

Bruce Jenner Says He Hasn't Met Kanye West Yet



Kim

Kardashian seems to be getting very comfortable with her new found love, Kanye West. But, why hasn't her stepfather Bruce Jenner met West yet? Maybe things aren't getting serious after all. On *The View*, Jenner recently said about West, "Honestly I've never met him. I haven't seen him at the house." Regardless Jenner just wants Kardashian to find love and be happy. A source for UsMagazine.com says that the couple are "talking marriage." Will Kardashian be able to jump into another marriage so quickly after her divorce to Kris Humphries?

How do you prepare to meet your partner's family for the first

time?

Cupid's Advice:

A new and important step in your relationship is meeting each other's family. Family has a lot to do with who a person is and how they grew up. So how do you prepare for such a step? Cupid has some advice:

1. Communicate with the family beforehand: You want to have built some sort of relationship with at least one of the family members beforehand, to get a feel for how they are. It'll relieve some of the stress before you meet them all.

2. Get background info: Ask your partner about their family. You don't want to be completely clueless about the entire family until you meet them. Plus, they'll probably be impressed that you know so much about them already.

3. Invite them over: If you're the host, you have time to give a good first impression. The fact that you invited them all over to begin with is already a good first step.

How would you prepare meeting your partner's family for the first time? Share your comments below.

Kissing On Screen: Do Celebrities Get Jealous?





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In the real world, most couples are uncomfortable with the idea of their partner locking lips with a co-worker. Since infidelity is one of the leading causes of divorce and emotional cheating is grounds for a split, it's hard to imagine anyone condoning an out-of-relationship make out session; that is, unless you're in Hollywood. Stars have contractual obligations to kiss their co-stars, and their partners have to be understanding in order for their relationship to work. To avoid jealous outbursts and maintain healthy and loving relationships, celebrity couples make sure to follow these simple tips:

1. They work together: Whether they met on or off screen, famous couples like Kristen Stewart & Rob Pattinson and Olivia Wilde & Jason Sudeikis have managed to share the silver screen with their real life partners. Getting paid to kiss your romantic interest is a sure fire way to keep the jealousy tamed.

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2. They visit each other on set: While stars can often be away

from their honeys for months at a time, the truly devoted grab every possible opportunity to see one another. Loving couples, like Shia LaBeouf and Karolyn Pho, know that absence can make the heart grow fonder ... at first. But too much time apart is a relationship killer.

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3. They're supportive: You don't have to understand your partner's career, but the couples that last know that you *do* have to be supportive. By rehearsing together and staying connected through the ups and downs of stardom, Tinsletown twosomes are able to keep their love strong, regardless of occupation.

4. They vacation together: Couples that play together, stay together. After long stints of work, lasting duos like Prince William and Kate Middleton know the best way to keep the fire burning is to get away from whatever was blowing it out.

5. They communicate: By far one of the most important parts of a relationship is communication (or the lack thereof), and it can make or break a relationship. Kris Humphries and Kim Kardashian prove that without a healthy dose of conversation, busy and stressed stars won't get far in their quest for love. By staying open about their feelings with one another, the rich and famous can get rid of jealousy altogether. In the end, when you're with the right person, no amount of on-screen kissing will break your bond apart.

How do you and your beau ward off jealousy? Leave your comments below.

On & Off: When Celebrities Should Call it Quits



By

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With fame comes glamour and wealth. These are things everyone wants, but they can also take a toll on a relationship. With a celebrity's busy schedule and a seemingly bottomless bank account, it's hard to make time and decisions for things other than themselves. The fact of the matter is that there's only so much a relationship can take before the best decision is to just call it quits. Here are some of the issues that can ultimately break up a celebrity couple:

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1. Your age becomes an issue: There are many celebrity couples whose age difference is more than a couple of years

and this starts to become a problem. Demi Moore and Ashton Kutcher seemed madly in love and happy to be with each other, until the issue of their ages caught up with them and they realized they both wanted different things in life. When your age difference is significant and you both have a different mindset, this will catch up with your relationship, causing a split. When you're young, you want to continue experiencing life, while when you're older, you're usually ready to settle down .

2. Distance: The life of a celebrity can be hectic. Hollywood stars such as Katy Perry and Russell Brand have crazy schedules that barely give them time to relax and spend time with each other. Celebrities get caught up in everything they have to do and eventually the growing emotional distance between the couples becomes inevitable on both ends. There are only so many times you can Skype before you both realize it's just not enough. If you realize that you're only seeing your beau a couple of times a month, you're not ready to settle down with each other just yet.

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3. There's someone else in the picture: Celebrities are constantly on tour or on set with many different people so they're bound to meet someone who they have a lot in common with. When celebrities work apart from their partner, they sometimes get lonely and end up finding that missing company and comfort in someone other than who they're in a relationship with. How can you avoid falling in love with someone like Robert Pattinson when you're cast to play Bella Swan? Sometimes things just happen.

4. Fame and Money: A lot of fame and money can get to some people's heads, and problems for celebrities are easily solved with having both, allowing them to avoid making rational decisions. With a lot of money, celebrities can make a quick escape out of a marriage or relationship, and it ends up being

a trend in Hollywood to change your mind last minute about a huge decision, just like Kim Kardashian's 72-day marriage. If you notice a pattern in someone's love life that seems too fast paced, stay away!

How do you know when it's time to call it quits in a relationship? Share your comments below.

Rumored Couple Kim Kardashian and Kanye West Reunite in NYC



Rumored couple Kim Kardashian and Kanye West made their second appearance together in New York City on Saturday, reports UsMagazine.com. "They had drinks at the Mercer Hotel Friday night, then shopped all day," said a source. Though neither

party has confirmed the romance rumors, Kardashian took to Twitter to express her happiness. “Hi dolls!” wrote Kardashian. “I’m so happy to be in NYC with the whole fam! Fun week! Have a good weekend guys!”

What are some reasons to go public with your romance?

Cupid’s Advice:

Though being in a private relationship has its perks, it’s best to go public with your relationship after some time. Here are a few reasons to announce your relationship:

- 1. Recognition:** It’s nice to be noticed as a couple. By going public, your friends can provide insight into your relationship and help you through some rough patches.
- 2. No hassle:** Sometimes life can be easier when people know that you’re in a relationship. By letting people know you’re off the market, many awkward situations can be avoided.
- 3. Less work:** Keeping your relationship private can be tough, especially with today’s social networking sites like Twitter and Facebook. By announcing your relationship, you can post photos and tweet messages without worrying about what you’re revealing.

Why did you decide to go public with your romance? Feel free to leave a comment below.

Why Celebrities Fall In and

Out of Love So Quickly



By

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In recent years, the divorce rate in America has hovered around 50 percent, and in Hollywood, this statistic appears to be closer to 70 percent.

For some celebrity couples, rushing into a serious relationship or even marriage is no big deal; they can always break up or file for an annulment or divorce, knowing that their family, friends and fans will stand behind them. They are not held accountable by their vows, viewing any “easy way out” as an acceptable solution.

But why do so many Tinseltown twosomes approach romance with such a wavering attitude, in such fleeting terms? Here are just a few reasons why some celebrity relationships change with the seasons:

1. Publicity: They say that all you need is love, but in the case of some celebrity relationships, all they want is publicity. And some celebrity couples continue to demand attention even *after* the break-up. Take Jon and Kate Gosselin, for example. The *Jon & Kate Plus 8* stars are still garnering media attention for their failed marriage and exceptionally large family.

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2. Rushing things: Many celebrity couples mistake lust for love and rush into something too serious when they're still in the "get to know you" phase of their relationships. Beyond their own feelings, there may be outside pressure from family, friends and perhaps the media. For instance, Kim Kardashian's whirlwind romance with Kris Humphries lasted only 11 months, but included a made-for-television proposal, wedding and divorce. As this relationship's quick demise proved, infatuation can easily outweigh true love, but it doesn't last nearly as long.

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3. Time apart: Relationships require both time and effort to flourish. For celebrities, time together isn't always possible. Their busy schedules often keep them apart; such was the case with Katy Perry and Russell Brand. After only 14 months of marriage and a Christmas spent 7,000 miles apart, Brand filed for divorce. As celebrities focus on their individual careers, they fail to make the proper commitment to build a lasting and meaningful relationship.

4. Just because they can: Among some celebrities (such as Britney Spears in her younger years and Brandi Glanville of *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills* fame), there's a sense that they can do anything they want. Spears married childhood friend Jason Alexander in a Las Vegas ceremony, only to have it annulled a mere 55 hours later. Glanville – a divorced

mother of two – rushed into Las Vegas nuptials with a close friend on New Year’s Eve. Calling it a “[drunken BFF thing](#),” she later admitted that they were just having fun.

5. Constant media attention: Sure, some celebrities fall in and out of love for publicity’s sake, but on the opposite note, too much media hype can also lead to heartbreak. Back in 2003, Nick Lachey and Jessica Simpson seemed to be living a fairytale romance until MTV cameras invaded their home for the reality hit *Newlyweds: Nick and Jessica*. Similarly, Taylor Swift and Jake Gyllenhaal dated for only two months at the end of 2011 and sources blame the short-lived romance on aggressive media coverage.

Why do you think some celebrity romances don’t last? Share your comments below.

Kim Kardashian Says Her Divorce Changed Her for the Better





Kim

Kardashian wasn't married long, but her divorce has made all the difference in her life. According to TooFab.com, Kardashian saw her divorce with Kris Humphries as one of the "toughest" things she's had to go through. "It's changed who I am as a person, I think for the better, and the things that I care about in life have completely changed because of this," she said. "I really think everything happens for a reason."

Apparently the split has changed the priorities in Kardashian's life.

What are some ways that divorce can help you grow?

Cupid's Advice:

Divorce is never an easy experience, but difficult situations can help you grow. Here's how:

1. Prioritize: Like Kardashian, divorce can make you reevaluate what you find important in life. Things that seemed critical may not seem so daunting after divorce.

2. Strength: Divorce can help you find strength from the most unlikely sources. Your family and closest friends will be important relationships in this challenging time. You'll also

find strength in yourself that you might not have realized was there.

3. Love life: It may sound weird, but a split will ultimately help your love life grow. As you leave one unhealthy relationship, it leaves room for a healthier and more mature relationship in the future.

How has divorce helped you or a loved one grow? Share your thoughts below.

Jennifer Lawrence Compares 'Hunger Games' to Kim Kardashian's Divorce





After a battle almost as fierce as *The Hunger Games* itself, actress Jennifer Lawrence scored the role of Katniss for the upcoming film. During an interview with [Parade](#) magazine, Lawrence related people's love for the *Hunger Games* with Kim Kardashian's divorce. "I was watching the Kardashian girl getting divorced, and that's a tragedy for anyone. But they're using it for entertainment, and we're watching it," said the actress. "The books hold up a terrible kind of mirror: This is what our society could be like if we became desensitized to trauma and to each other's pain."

How do you keep your divorce as drama-free as possible?

Cupid's Advice:

Going through a divorce without any complications or disagreements is unheard of, but Cupid has some tips to keep things as drama-free as possible:

1. Keep quiet: Blabbing about your divorce to everyone you know will only get the rumor mill churning, and before you know it you'll have more stress than you started with. Lucky for you, you're not Kim Kardashian who had the world watching her mistakes and eventually her marriage's demise.

2. Stay private: The divorce is your business and your ex's business, so be respectful of that and be appropriate when dispersing any information on the matter. You don't want or need outsiders getting wrapped up in your affairs.

3. Act maturely: You and your ex may not like each other anymore, and that's why you're separating, so be on your best behavior until you're out of each others hair. Things can get messy when emotions are running high, especially in court where decisions about money or children are being discussed, so don't give the judge or your ex-partner any ammo to use against you.

How did you keep your divorce on the DL? Share your comments below.

Khloe Kardashian Reveals What Kris Humphries Said at First Meeting





Yes,

Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries are divorced, but little sister Khloe Kardashian Odom, revealed why she and Humphries never got along during her Tuesday night appearance on *The Tonight Show With Jay Leno*, according to [E! Online](#).

Kardashian Odom told Leno that the first thing Humphries asked her during their first meeting was, “So, how much you gettin’ paid to fake your marriage? Like how long are you gonna keep this up for?” Was Humphries trying to break the ice with a joke, or was he being down right shady? Kardashian wasn’t sure, but she said, “[Humphries] just rubbed me the wrong way. So, ever since then, I had a very defensive wall brought up.”

What do you do if your family doesn’t like your significant other?

Cupid’s Advice:

Introducing your family to your significant other is a big step. Between worrying about your family liking your partner and if your partner will leave a great first impression, it can be intimidating. Here are some things to do if your family doesn’t like your partner:

1. Respect: Understand that your family is free to have their own opinion. Give them time, and they may come around.

2. Meet, again: Put a lot of thought into their next meeting. Pick a relaxed setting, because after all, you're trying to connect the people you love.

3. Take a step back: Really take time to evaluate why your family doesn't like your partner. Could it be that he or she isn't right for you? If not, let your family know that your relationship is here to stay whether they like it or not. This may be just what they need to come to an acceptance.

What would you do if your family wasn't happy with your significant other? Share your thoughts below.

Khloe Kardashian Was Never a Big Fan of Kris Humphries





The bad blood between Khloe Kardashian and Kim Kardashian's husband of 72 days, Kris Humphries, continues. When the youngest Kardashian sister appeared on *Jimmy Kimmel Live* Thursday night, she opened up about how the New Jersey Nets forward rubbed her the wrong way and discussed how his marriage to Kim was a bad idea. "The very first time I met him, he said, 'No one gets married after 30 days: How much are longer are you gonna put up this charade for?' ... He just rubbed me the wrong way," said Khloe on *Kimmel*, according to [RadarOnline](#). She also revealed that she didn't get the chance to bond with the basketball player because Kim and Kris spent most of their short marriage on the east coast, while she was living in Los Angeles.

What do you do if your partner and sibling don't get along?

Cupid's Advice:

It's not uncommon to have a partner who doesn't get along with a sibling. But, if you're in this relationship for the long haul, they need to come to some sort of an acceptance for one another. Here are some ways for the two to come to a truce:

1. Say what they mean to you: Make sure both your partner and

your sibling know how much it means to you to have them in your life and how much it would mean to you for them to get along with someone who is equally important in your life.

2. Encourage them to start over: If a certain incident occurred that caused them to dislike one another, tell them to put it aside and start fresh.

3. Arrange an intervention: If nothing else seems to work, arrange for them to spend the day together where they can't back out of doing so.

Would you break up with a partner if your family didn't approve of them? Share your thoughts and experiences below.

Bruce Jenner Says Kim Kardashian's Next Guy Goes Through Him





After Kim Kardashian's whirlwind wedding and quick separation from Kris Humphries, her step-dad Bruce Jenner says her next man has to go through him first. The former Olympian and his wife Kris Jenner appeared on the *Ellen Degeneres Show* where they discussed their reality star children's lives, and Jenner said he "can tell if it's going to work or not." According to [People](#), Jenner said he had his questions when the NBA star asked for his approval to marry Kim. "In the back of my head I said, 'I don't know if she's going to say yes,'" he said. "But it's not my decision. Go for it."

How much should you trust your parents to help you choose a mate?

Cupid's Advice:

Some people are close with their families while others aren't, but your parents may have better instincts than you think about your potential partners, and their opinion can prove quite useful. Cupid has some tips to help you sort through your emotions verses your parents':

1. Honesty: When it comes down to it, your parents want what they believe is best for you. They may not always be right,

but they're not going to shy away from telling you their honest thoughts about your partner or fiance.

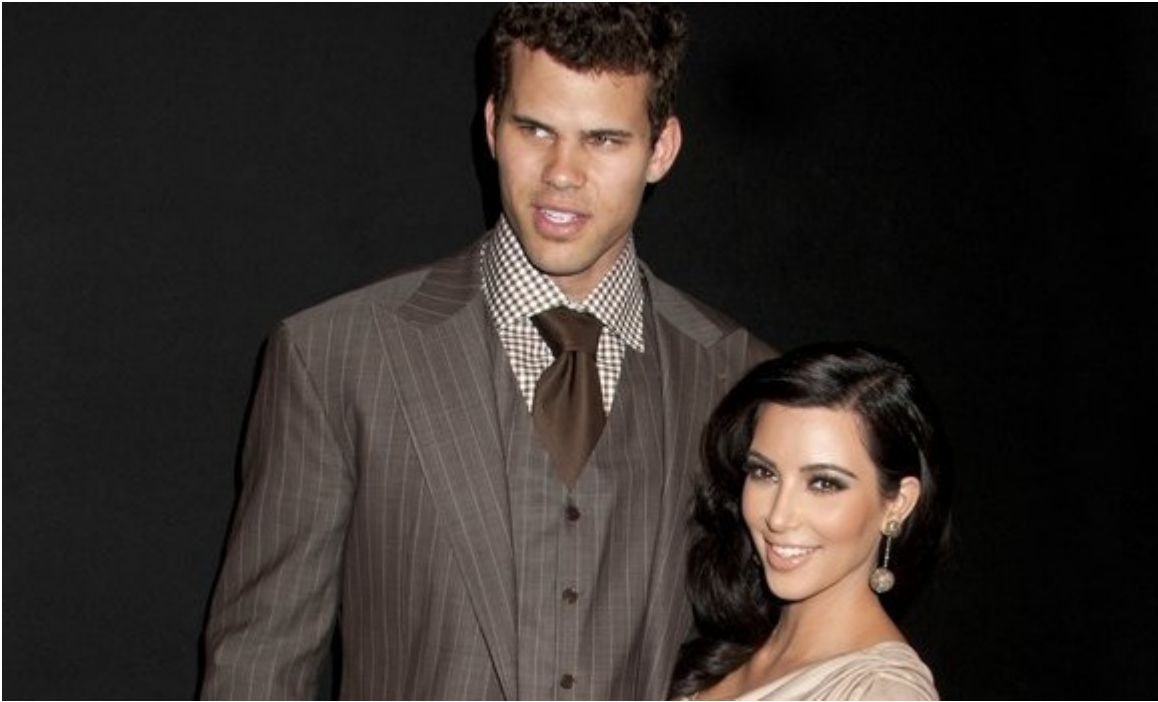
2. Knowledge: Although we would all like to believe that there's no way our parents have ever been in our situation or felt the way we have, most likely they've been there and done that. Listen to what they have to tell you about their own experience, and you might get some very helpful advice.

3. Opinion or fact: Only you and your partner truly know your relationship, because you experience it 24/7. Sometimes parents will make assumptions or share biased opinions, so don't let their lack of knowledge about you and your partner get in the way of something great!

How much influence do you allow your parents to have in your relationships? Share your comments below.

Top 5 Celebrity Love Mistakes We Should Avoid





By

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Some of us view Hollywood stars as lifestyle role models. You want Sofia Vergara's lipstick, Beyonce's curly hair or the Balenciaga bag that everybody and their mother was rocking on the red carpet recently. While it's cool to mix celeb style with your own once in a while, it's important to remember that the people who entertain us with movies, TV and music are just that – people.

That said, the famous are more human than we realize, and some of our favorite celebrities have one thing in common that we should never seek to emulate – their tumultuous relationships.

In fact, let's learn from the love, sex and dating mistakes of the stars.

Here are some celebrity relationship snafus to avoid:

Love Mistake: Never Being Single.

It seemed like Jennifer Lopez was barely divorced from her crooner hubby Marc Anthony before stepping out with sexy back up dancer Casper Smart. Before that, she made a seamless transition from her Bennifer engagement to her JenAnthony

marriage. What's up with that?

Going from relationship to relationship is a mistake. Taking a break between longtime loves is the best way to heal and ensure that we come to the next marriage or engagement as whole human beings.

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Love Mistake: Marrying too soon.

Kim Kardashian and what's-his-face Humphries had the 72-day fairytale heard 'round the world. It seemed like Kimmie was set to continue the Dash girls tradition of meeting and immediately ending up happily ever after. Look at her little sister Khloe and her b-baller Lamar Odom. Their less than one month courtship has yielded a relationship that's still going strong.

Bottom line? Khloe and Lamar are a wonderful fluke. Marrying someone before you've even had the "where will we live" conversation is a huge mistake. Sorry, Kris Humphries!

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Love Mistake: Stealing someone else's lover.

Man and woman stealing is a time honored Hollywood tradition. See LeAnn Rimes, Tori Spelling, Angelina Jolie and even old school movie star Elizabeth Taylor. It's a big world out there. If your love cheated to be with you, then how can you ever trust that this pattern won't be repeated? The answer is, you can't.

Karma is a mean goddess, and hell hath no fury like karma scorned. Just sayin.'

Love Mistake: Getting a mistress pregnant.

Arnold Schwarzenegger sure did seem preachy about family values as the Republican governor of California, didn't he? Little did we know that the Governor was not only sleeping with the maid, but he'd had a love child with her as well. Oy vey.

Obviously, this is a relationship no-no to be avoided at all costs.

Love Mistake: Bashing your ex.

When we watched Kelsey Grammer's previous wife Camille Grammer battle the divorce demon on "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills," our hearts broke for her. Her A-list husband cheated and ran. Sure, she had choice words about him on her reality show, but then Mr. Grammer behaved deplorably by bashing his former Mrs. in an interview with Pierce Brosnan.

A smarter move is always to take the high road. See Jennifer Aniston for lessons on grace under fire. Okay, it didn't work out, and she moved on. Sure, it's probably messy. Life is a contact sport.

What are some other celeb love snafus? Dating different versions of the same jerk a la Halle Berry, returning to the scene of the crime like Rihanna or falling apart after a breakup like Demi Moore are all examples *not* to follow.

Ah, le love. You're much better off copying a celebrity hair cut than imitating their love styles. Here's to shiny, happy and healthy relationships!

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Valentine's Day Duos: 5 Hollywood Relationships That Spiraled Out Of Control



By

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Relationships can be hard work, and they require a lot of effort to be put in from both ends. When you both commit, it makes it all worthwhile- in most cases. While many relationships start off on a high note and continue on the path of blissfulness, others plummet to a place of irreconcilable differences, physical altercations and repeated infidelity. They end up heading straight to Splittsville. In fact, all you have to do is ask the following couples:

1. Chris Brown and Rihanna: Typically, the phrase “first love” invokes visions of butterflies, sunsets and all things untainted. But, in 2009, we saw an ugly side of first love. Singer, Chris Brown, was accused of assaulting his popstar girlfriend, Robyn “Rihanna” Fenty. At the time of the assault, Brown was 19 and Rihanna was 20. After pictures of Rihanna’s badly beaten face surfaced, fans immediately took sides. Some were ready to dismiss Brown’s actions as a forgivable misstep, while others were relentless in their criticism of him. Either way, it was the worst possible ending to a seemingly beautiful love story. Or was it? Recent tweets make it seem as if reconciliation may be on the horizon.

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2. Russell Brand and Katy Perry: A shocked public let out a collective gasp when Russell Brand filed for divorce from his wife of 14 months. Failed Hollywood marriages are no surprise, but for some reason, we thought these two would be different. So what if Brand is a recovering sex addict and Perry is the daughter of evangelical ministers? We still thought this couple had a fighting chance. Brand’s boredom with the couple’s sex life and his inability to be alone, may have contributed to the couple’s marital problems, reported *US Weekly*.

3. Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries. Many thought Kim and Kris’ lavish wedding was a publicity stunt. So, when Kim filed for divorce after only 72 days of marriage, no one was shocked – except maybe Kris. The NBA star claimed he was surprised by Kim’s actions and that he wanted to make the couple’s marriage work. After the split went viral, Kim was embarrassed and, in a rare move, retreated from the public eye while her ex-hubby was booed in NYC during a basketball game. Thus, if the marriage was a publicity stunt, it may have been the worst one in history.

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4. Kobe and Vanessa Bryant: In 2003, Kobe was accused of sexually assaulting a 19-year-old hotel employee. Kobe proclaimed his innocence, but admitted to infidelity and famously apologized to his wife, Vanessa, with a \$4 million ring and a custom-made Lamborghini. It seems that Kobe's relationship patchwork was a bit like someone putting a Band-Aid on broken leg – a nice gesture, but it didn't actually fix the problem- a cheating husband. In 2011, after 10 years of marriage, Vanessa finally filed for divorce citing "irreconcilable differences,". Either way, a woman scorned, plus a husband worth \$150 million dollars, minus a prenup, equals trouble. With that kind of money up for grabs, this downward spiral may have only just begun.

5. Tiger Woods and Elin Nordegren. Tiger Woods' fame had just as much to do with his clean cut image as it did with his amazing golf game. However, a one-car accident near Woods' and Nordegren's Florida home changed his reputation forever. A parade of women subsequently emerged and admitted to having affairs with the golf pro. In an attempt to save his marriage, the father of two spent six weeks in a rehabilitation program for sex addiction. Nonetheless, Nordegren filed for divorce granted on the basis that the couple's marriage was "irretrievably broken." Nordegren was awarded an undisclosed settlement amount thought to be in the neighborhood of \$100 million dollars.

How did you know when you or a friend's relationship was over? Share your stories below.

Kris Humphries Says He's in a 'Great Place' After Split from Kim Kardashian



After the world saw their marriage come together and fall apart, Kris Humphries said he's come to terms with his split from Kim Kardashian and is in a better place. The New Jersey Nets forward is focusing on his game on the court rather than the one off, averaging 13.2 points per game and 10.6 rebounds per game this season. "I'm not dating anyone right now. What do they say, my girlfriend is Spalding," he said in an interview with [Access Hollywood](#). "I always tell people basketball is like my therapy. Some people talk to psychologists, I just need to go play basketball; that's it." The Humphries-Kardashian marriage, which aired as a special on E!, lasted 72 days, ended with Kardashian filing for divorce on Oct. 31. Since then, Humphries said his family and religion have been

essential to him moving forward. "I'm in a great place," he said.

What are some alternate forms of therapy after a breakup or divorce?

Cupid's Advice:

One can certainly learn a lot from Kris Humphries and his ability to cope with his divorce. Cupid has some pointers:

1. Get physical: Go to the gym and sweat it off. A good workout is one of the most effective ways to help you get your mind distracted and to relax.

2. Career moves: Hey, it worked for Humphries, who's playing his best basketball this season. Take the free time that you would spend with your partner, and put it into your work. You'll be busier, and a greater feeling of self-satisfaction will result.

3. Family: What is family for? Don't be too proud to lean on your family and close friends when a relationship ends. You'll no doubt feel less alone.

What are some other ways to cope after a split? Share your ideas below.

Kim Kardashian Lashes Out Against Those Calling Her

Marriage A Business Decision



Nearly three months after filing for divorce from her husband of 72 days, Kim Kardashian appeared alongside Kelly Ripa on Monday morning to co-host *LIVE! With Kelly*. She used the opportunity to speak out against the rumors that are stating her marriage to NBA player, Kris Humphries, was a business deal. "Being a hopeless romantic, I wanted to believe in something so badly," Kardashian said. "If you really think about it, if [the marriage] was a business decision, and I really made all that money that everyone was claiming that we made off this wedding, and if the wedding was fake and just for TV ... I'm a smart business woman. I would have stayed married longer," she explained to Ripa. "I really didn't think following my heart would create this much backlash."

How do you fend off rumors about your relationship after a breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes relationships don't work out as expected, and when it comes to an end, people will have their opinions as to what happened and rumors will begin. Here are a few tips on how to combat rumors:

- 1. Address the situation:** Always try to be the first one to confirm the breakup, and while you don't have to get into detail, explain why the relationship didn't work out.
- 2. Take a breather:** Rumors can be stressful, so try to avoid being in the spotlight for a while. Take time to relax, and get some much needed "me" time or have a spa day or mini vacation with your girls.
- 3. Move on:** Sometimes, after you've already spoken about your relationship, people are still going to believe what they want to believe, and you won't be able to change that. When this happens, it's always best to hold your head up, turn the other cheek and keep moving along.

How do you defend yourself from rumors? Share your comments below.

How to Determine the Expiration Date of Your Relationship





By

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When you think the milk in your fridge has gone bad, you look on the side of the carton for the expiration date. If the date of expiration has passed, you simply toss it in the garbage, and buy a new one.

Relationships can also have expiration dates, but unfortunately there is no stamp on your partner's forehead that tells you it's time to move on. As a result, many people stay too long in a sour relationship, which can be toxic and damaging for everyone involved.

Sometimes the last breath of a dying relationship happens early on, like with Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries. In other situations it comes much later, like with Al and Tipper Gore. Deciding to stay in a relationship or get out is complicated. While there are no hard and fast rules about when it's time to leave, here are a few tips to help you finalize your decision:

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1. Have a bottom line: Be very clear about what you are

willing to accept as part of your relationship. Ask yourself if you are sacrificing your own integrity to save the relationship, and decide on what you are willing or are not willing to live with going forward. For example, once Sandra Bullock discovered that Jesse James was a serial cheater, she knew that the time had come to move on. She quickly separated and began a new life on her own with her adopted son.

2. Know thyself: Knowing if a relationship is healthy can be tricky, especially if you don't have any good role models to draw from. Many people know that their loves lives aren't happy, but can't really figure out why. Happiness comes from within, and knowing how and when you feel happy will help you decipher if it's you or the relationship that isn't up to par...or maybe both.

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3. Trust your gut: If you know in your heart of hearts that the relationship has not felt right for a long time, trust your gut. It's easy to rationalize away the negative to avoid confronting what you don't want to face. Telling yourself lies so you don't have to leave will prevent you from making a rational decision. Look at the whole picture, not just the one you want to paint for yourself.

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How to Handle Your Crazy In-Laws Over the Holidays



By Evan

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While Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries may no longer have to worry about dealing with the in-laws, there are plenty of newlyweds out there facing the first real test of their matrimonial commitment this holiday season: meeting their new family members. For Jerry O'Connell and Rebecca Romijn, who recently renewed their vows, this will be old hat. But celebrity couples like Wills and Kate and Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert will find themselves in the same boat as every other newly joined couple in the world; facing the uncertainty of several days trapped with their in-laws. The good news is

that there's no need for stress. By following just a few simple guidelines, newlyweds everywhere can have an enjoyable and relaxing holiday, even if the in-laws are a little bit crazy. Here's how:

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1. Offer to help: The best way to get in good with the in-laws is to offer assistance here and there. Your mother-in-law may not want you in the kitchen while she's cooking, but perhaps she'll let you watch her make her special recipe (no doubt she'll be flattered by your interest). And you can always offer to set the table, wash some dishes or otherwise make yourself useful. Don't be pushy, but offer frequently.

2. Clean up after yourself: Even if you're treated more like a guest than a member of the family, you need to be a responsible adult and try not to make more work for your hosts than necessary. This means picking up after yourself, doing your own laundry (towels included), washing dishes (or at least putting them in the dishwasher) and generally making an effort to leave a room just as neat as you found it.

3. Set aside "me" time: There's nothing wrong with taking a little time out for yourself, especially if it saves you from a meltdown. No matter what you do, there's going to be some pressure to perform for your new partner's family. So give yourself breaks here and there to decompress; take a bath, a nap or a walk to get away. And any time you can manage it, drag your new spouse along for some alone time.

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4. Participate: You've joined a new group, but you'll always be an outsider unless you integrate yourself. Even if you don't want to play board games, sing carols or look at family photo albums, be a sport. It will help you become a family member a lot faster than opting out.

5. Delegate “handling” responsibilities: This is a biggie, and it could just save your holiday. Each spouse needs to handle their own family, including making arrangements and dealing with any issues that arise. The person that approaches in-laws in an aggressive manner is going to be seen as an interloper, so don't try to be dominant. You handle your family, and let your spouse handle the in-laws. Less stress over the holidays will greatly reduce your chance of winding up in relationship counseling in the New Year.

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Kris Humphries Says He 'Doesn't Play Into the Gossip' Surrounding Ex Kim Kardashian





Their quick marriage and much-talked-about divorce may be making the headlines still, but Kris Humphries says he doesn't pay the gossip about his situation with Kim Kardashian much mind. "I think that if people know me they know who I am and what I stand for," he said, according to [Hollyscoop](#). "I'm a fun guy and I don't play into the gossip. That's life." There's also much speculation that the couple's relationship deteriorated as a result of it being plastered all over reality TV. To those assumptions, Humphries says, "I can't say for sure. It's the only time I've been married. [But] I've been in front of cameras on the NBA since I was 19."

How do you keep from participating in drama after a breakup?

Cupid's Advice:

After a breakup, you're no doubt hurt and sometimes angry. However, it's important to keep those feelings in check instead of unleashing them in a wave of drama. Cupid has some tips:

1. Count to 10: When you're about to say something mean-spirited directly to your ex or behind his or her back, take a minute to think about it first. Spur of the moment comments

are often times regretted.

2. Take a step back: Right after a split, it's important to take a breather for a while. Avoid going to the places you know your ex or their friends hang out, and surround yourself with close friends and family.

3. Institute a checks and balances: Give your friends the job of watching your every move. If they see you're about to text your ex, have them stop you. Make them the angel on your shoulder.

How did you keep from participating in drama after a breakup? Share your ideas below.