

# Chris Evans Returns in the Sequel 'Captain America: The Winter Soldier'



By April Littleton

Chris Evans make his return as the WWII soldier in the sequel to the box office hit *Captain America*. In the film, he is still struggling to find his place in the 21st century. He tries to come to terms with the time he lost from being frozen for so long as he adapts to his newfound superpowers.

## Should you see it:

You're obviously going to want to see this film if you enjoyed the first installment. Any Marvel fans might take an interest in this film as well – especially if they enjoyed *The Avengers*. You'll see a few familiar faces/characters in *Captain America: The Winter Soldier* including Samuel L. Jackson as Nick Fury and Scarlett Johansson as the Black

Widow.

### **Who to take:**

Most guys love action films. So, if you have a boyfriend, think about taking him to see this movie during your next date night. If you'd rather see the film with a few of your close friends, that would be OK too.

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### **What are some ways to protect the ones you love?**

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

The role of the protector is a tough one to maintain. Some of the time the people you care about won't understand the decisions you make – even when it's in their best interest. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Honesty:** Always be honest with your loved ones. You can't protect your family and friends from harm if they don't know the full extent of a situation. The truth may be hurtful to them, but in the long run, they'll thank you for it.

**2. Communicate:** If you're feeling that something isn't right, let your loved ones know about it first. Don't keep any serious information to yourself. You want the people you care about to trust you. If you leave them in the dark about anything, they'll begin to doubt your judgement. Speak up about your feelings.

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**3. Be aware:** When it comes to the safety of your family and friends, always be aware of everything around you. Be wary around new people entering the life of loved ones. You're the protector. You have to be the person who can spot bad decisions and situations the people you care about can't.

What are some other ways to protect the ones you love? Comment below.

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## Get Ready to Enter a 'Divergent' World



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Based on the best-selling book series by Veronica Roth, *Divergent* is set in a world where people are divided based on the human virtues they acquire. Tris Pris (played by Shailene Woodley) discovers she is a Divergent, which means she will never fit into any social group. Shortly after her discovery, she finds out the faction leader (played by Kate Winslet) is set on destroying all Divergents. With the help of Four (played by Theo James), Tris must find out the truth about who

she is before it's too late to save her kind.

strong>Should you see it:

Although Shailene Woodley plays a completely different role in this film, *The Secret Life of the American Teenager* fans should go to their local theater and support their favorite actress. *Divergent* is an action-packed thriller, so if you're into movies filled with excitement this might be your best bet for the weekend.

### **Who to take:**

Take your significant other, family or friends out to see this film with you. However, anyone who can't sit still for long periods of time might want to sit this one out – this movie runs for two hours and 23 minutes.

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**What are some ways to fit in with your loved ones when you're feeling singled out?**

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

When you're the "black sheep" of the family and the oddball out of all your friends, being around your loved ones for long periods of time can be uncomfortable. They might act different around you, or maybe you just don't feel like you belong at all. Cupid has some ways for you to overcome this:

**1. Find common ground:** Find something you and your loved ones have in common. Maybe you're interested in similar hobbies. All it takes for you and your family and friends to get along is a little communication. A conversation might be the last thing on your mind right now, but once you make the effort, you'll see a drastic improvement in your relationships. All you have to do is try.

**2. Explain how you feel:** Explain how you're feeling to your family and friends. There is a possibility they don't even realize they're making you feel so left out in everything. Don't keep your feelings bottled up inside, and don't shy away from your loved ones just because you don't think they will understand how you feel.

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**3. Stand up for yourself:** If what your loved ones are so against is something you're not willing to change, stand up for yourself. Regardless of their opinion, they should love you for who you are. Yes, it might take them some time to adjust to the "new you," but they will if you give them no other option.

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## **Girl's Night Movie Pick of the Week: 'The Single Moms Club'**





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Written, produced and directed by Tyler Perry, *The Single Moms Club* follows five single women on their personal journeys of self-discovery. The ladies are brought together by an accident at their children's school. They create a support group that helps them get through some of life's most challenging situations through the use of comedic relief and the strength they have in each other.

### **Should you see it:**

Tyler Perry fans will be the first in line to see this film, but if you're unfamiliar with his work, take a look at some of the cast. Some well-known faces include Amy Smart, Nia Long, Terry Crews and William Levy. If any of those names ring a bell and you've enjoyed some of their previous work, consider taking a trip down to your local theater when *The Single Moms Club* premieres.

### **Who to take:**

This movie is definitely all about girl power. Grab a group of your best girl friends for a Saturday night of fun. Of course, you can always drag your significant other along if you'd prefer to save this film for a couples' date night.

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**What are some ways to date responsibly as a single parent?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

As a single parent, getting back into the dating world can be hard to do. You have to think about yourself, your new partner and your child(ren). You don’t have to give up completely. You can have a romantic life again and still be the best parent you can be. Just listen to your instincts and follow a few tips. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Take your time:** When you’re just starting out on the dating scene again, there is no need to rush any potential relationship. Take your time and get to know the other person well before you make any solid commitments. You have a child. Keep that mind. You shouldn’t bring different people in and out of your kid’s life. He/she doesn’t need to be any more confused than they already are.

**2. Communicate with your kid(s):** Your child(ren) need to know what’s going on (if they’re old enough to understand) in your life. Before you go out on any dates, explain to them what you’re going to be doing and make sure it’s OK with them. Reassure them they won’t have to worry about having a step parent anytime soon, and you’re only trying to get to know someone on a more adult level.

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**3. Consider feelings:** If you decide to introduce your child(ren) to your new partner, make sure you realize this situation is a new experience for everyone. Your kid(s) and your new boo will need time to adjust to each other. Don’t pack on the PDA in front of your family. Help everyone ease into this new relationship by keeping it cool.

**How did you date responsibly as a single parent? Share your**



experience below.

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# 'Pompeii' is the Perfect Couples Night Movie



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"Pompeii" is about the journey Milo, a slave turned gladiator (played by Kit Harington) takes to save his true love Cassia (played by Emily Brown). Milo is forced to fight his way past an arena in order to save his beloved before Pompeii is completely destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius.

## Should you see it:

"Pompeii" is directed by Paul W.S. Anderson and is lead by an all-star cast. Audiences will see the familiar faces of



Carrie-Anne Moss, Jared Harris, Kit Harington, Jessica Lucas, Emily Brown and Kiefer Sutherland. If you're interested in dramas, mysteries or action films, Pompeii might be suitable for you.

### **Who to take:**

This movie isn't necessarily something you would want to see with a group of girls. Reserve this film for date night with your honey. He will appreciate it much more than your girlfriends would.

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**What are some ways to be there for the one you love?**

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

What you and your partner need the most out of a relationship is support. The two of you are a team, and you should be there for each other through thick and thin. The best thing about being committed to another person is the fact that you will always have someone you can lean on when situations get rough. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Focus on what they need:** Many couples often forget to zone in on what the other person needs. Instead, they tend to react in ways they think their significant other would like. Taking control of the relationship in this matter might cause your partner to feel unappreciated or unimportant. Don't assume things about each other. Ask one another about your needs and wants.

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**2. Be understanding:** Everyone handles certain situations differently. Keep this in mind when you face a challenge with your significant other. Don't put pressure on your partner to do things the way you might think is best. Show your support

and let them figure things out on their own. When your honey needs you, she/he will let you know.

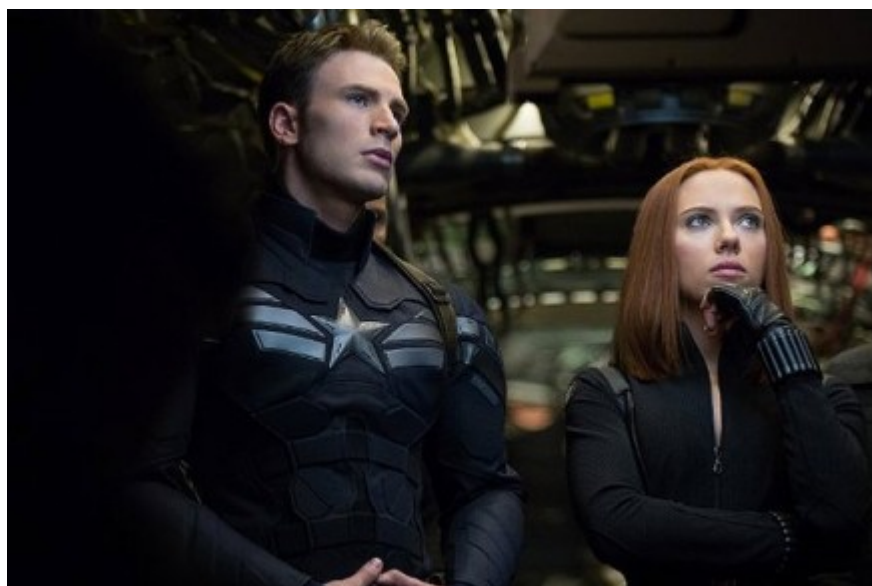
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**3. Communicate:** Always keep an open line of communication. Offer your significant other useful advice during trying times. Express your feelings to one another during arguments. Let your words be the driving force in your relationship.

**What are some other ways to be there for the one you love? Comment below.**

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## Sink Your Teeth Into 'Vampire Academy'



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Based on the best-selling novel by Richelle Mead, *Vampire Academy* follows the life of Rose Hathaway (played by Zoey Deutch). The teen is a Dhampir: half human/half vampire who is destined to protect her best friend Lissa Dragomir, who is a Moroi (mortal vampire). The film is directed by Mark Waters and will be released Feb. 14.

### **Should you see it:**

If you weren't a big fan of any of the *Twilight* films, don't let that discourage you from watching *Vampire Academy*. Yes, this is another movie about bloodsuckers, but it has an entirely different feel to it. Romance isn't the big theme of this motion picture. In fact, you'll probably get a sense of girl power and unity once you leave the theater.

### **Who to take:**

You could probably force your significant other with you, but you will probably have more fun seeing this with a group of your friends. The film is rated PG-13 for violence, bloody images, sexual content and language. Keep that in mind if you have a younger sibling who is dying to have a little family night out with his/her big brother or sister.

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**What are some ways to protect your loved ones without going overboard?**

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

When you see the person you care about making the wrong decisions, it can be hard to maintain certain boundaries. You just want to see your loved ones healthy, happy and safe. You can still keep an eye on all the people you love without going to the extreme. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Ground rules:** Everyone craves a sense of stability and that comes from remaining consistent with your ground rules. Make sure your loved ones are aware of the dos and don'ts in and out of your household. Stick to what you say, and don't make excuses for the people you love when they do something wrong.

**2. Communication:** You don't need to follow your loved ones all over town. You need to learn to build trust and give them room to be themselves. Sometimes they will make mistakes, but that's how people grow and learn more about themselves. All they really need is a listening ear. Don't be the person who judges them for their bad decisions. Be the person they go to for consolation and much needed advice.

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**3. Tough love:** When the rules are broken, you will need to be the one to put your foot down. You can't let your loved ones get away with wrongdoing. In some instances, people need to learn from their own mistakes. In other cases, they need someone to guide them in the right direction. You don't have to be cruel to get your point across, but when you see the person you care about heading down a wrong path, be there to catch them before it's too late for them to turn back.

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## **Zac Efron Stars in New Film,**

# 'That Awkward Moment'



By April Littleton

Directed by Tom Gormican, *That Awkward Moment* follows three best friends through all of the stages that come with dating someone new. The film stars Zac Efron, Miles Teller, Imogen Poots and Michael B. Jordan.

## Should you see it:

Comedy fans will get a kick out of this new film. Plus, if you're familiar with any other movies Zac Efron or Miles Teller starred in, you surely won't be disappointed with *That Awkward Moment*.

## Who to take:

*That Awkward Moment* is rated R for sexual content and language throughout. Make sure whoever you decide to drag along with you to the movies is within the appropriate age group. You can see this movie with a girlfriend/boyfriend, with a group of

some of your closest friends or you maybe you might prefer to take yourself out on a little date. The choice is up to you.

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**How do you know when it's time to take your relationship to the next level?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Dating someone new can be tricky. You have to learn everything about that one specific person – their likes and dislikes, what their goals are, etc. When you're feelings for your partner begin to develop further, finding out if they feel the same way about you is another challenge all on its own. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Communicate:** How you're feeling about the status of your new relationship won't matter if you don't share them with your partner. When you're ready, talk to your honey about maybe taking it up a notch. The easier it is to communicate with your boo, the stronger the two of you will become as a couple.

**2. Take your time:** You don't need to rush how you feel, especially if you haven't been dating your partner for that long. Before you decide to fully commit to the relationship, take the time to figure out if what you're feeling is the real deal.

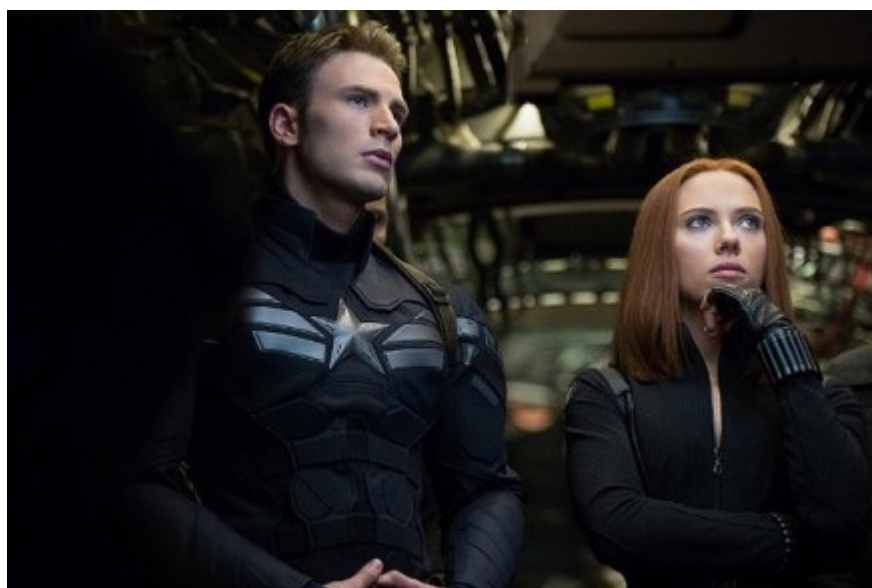
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**3. You just know:** Sometimes you just know when you're ready to get serious with another person. You may be in love. If you can't stop thinking about your significant other, you miss them when they're away or you just simply can't imagine being with another person, then it might be time to take your relationship to the next level.

How did you know when it was time to take your relationship to the next level? Share your experience below.

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# The Price You Pay for a 'Free Ride' Can End Up Being Your Last



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Directed by Shana Betz, *Free Ride* follows the journey of Christina (played by Anna Paquin), a woman who desperately wants to be rid of her dangerous relationship. She moves to Florida without warning only to find herself in a much more terrifying situation than the one she was already in. She is thrust into the world of drugs and her only savior is herself.



## **Should you see it:**

*True Blood* fans will see a familiar face in this film (Anna Paquin.) If you're not familiar with her work, maybe the drama genre will lure you in. Other actors and actresses to look out for in this movie include Cam Gigandet, Drea de Matteo and Liana Liberato. If you're still on the fence, just think about trying something different if you normally go to the theater to see a comedy or an action film. After all, it's always nice to switch your style up every once in awhile.

## **Who to take:**

*Free Ride* might not be the best choice for date night, but this movie would be great to see with a bunch of girlfriends or age appropriate family members. However, you could get away with seeing this film with your boyfriend/girlfriend if the two of you are just looking for something casual to do together.

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## **What are some healthy ways to end a relationship?**

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

Breaking up with someone is never easy. When you know the relationship between you and another person just isn't going to work, it can be hard to get them to realize the same truth. You don't have to act out just to get someone to leave you. Instead, try to do things the right way. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Be honest:** The best way to begin and end anything is through honesty. Don't string your significant other along if you know the two of you aren't meant to be together. Let them know your feelings have changed. They might feel the same. Either way, the breakup will be a lot less difficult as long as both parties are on the same page and understand where the

other is coming from.

**2. In person:** Don't break up with someone via email, text or any other way that doesn't involve you meeting your partner in person. Not only is ending a relationship in such an abrupt manner cruel, but it also shows the other person you never truly cared about their feelings. If you still want him/her to be in your life, do the right thing. Break up with your honey in private and let them down gently. Don't play the blame game, but make sure they understand why you don't see things working out between the two of you.

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**3. Keep calm:** Breaking up is hard to do, but you need to make sure you do it with class. Don't lose your temper over the small stuff. Your partner is bound to be upset, so brace yourself for some not-so-kind words and actions. No matter what he/she says or does in the heat of the moment, realize it's only out of hurt and anger. Keep your cool and try to be patient with them.

**What are some other healthy ways to end a relationship? Comment below.**

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# **‘The Secret Life of Walter Mitty’ Hits Theaters on Christmas Day**



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Ben Stiller stars and directs in this film based on James Thurber's short story about a daydreamer who escapes reality by sinking into his world of fantasies that involves romance, action and heroism. Walter decides to stop living in his imaginary world when his job, along with his co-worker's, becomes threatened.

### **Should you see it:**

Ben Stiller fans and Kristen Wiig fans won't have a doubt in their minds about seeing this film. Also, if you have no set plans for the holidays, why not spend the day enjoying a new comedy at your favorite movie theater?

### **Who to take:**

If it's possible, bring the whole family along with you when you're ready to hit up the nearest Cinemark. After all, it is the holidays. You can fly solo if that's what you prefer or if your loved ones are out of town. This film would be good to see with a boyfriend/girlfriend who has a good sense of humor

as well.

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**How do you build up the courage to ask the person you're interested in on a date?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Putting yourself out there to another person can be tricky, especially if you're shy or you've experienced a recent heartbreak. Everyone who has experience with the game of love knows that rejection isn't a fun feeling to experience, but sometimes it's worth it. You don't want to be left wondering 'what if', and at least you'll have an idea of where you stand with your crush. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Be straightforward:** Don't play games with a potential love interest. If you're considering another person on a romantic level, let them know how you feel. Being open and honest is considered a turn-on, so don't be shy and go after what you want.

**2. Show you're interested:** Your crush won't know that anything is different between the two of you if you don't show or express your feelings. Make sure you're making clear that you're interested in them. Call them from time to time. Get to know them on a more personal level. Ask them out for coffee or a simple lunch date. You don't have to move too fast, but you do want to make sure the feelings you have for them are reciprocated. Also, keep in mind that you need to move forward with the relationship at a pace comfortable for both you and your potential honey.

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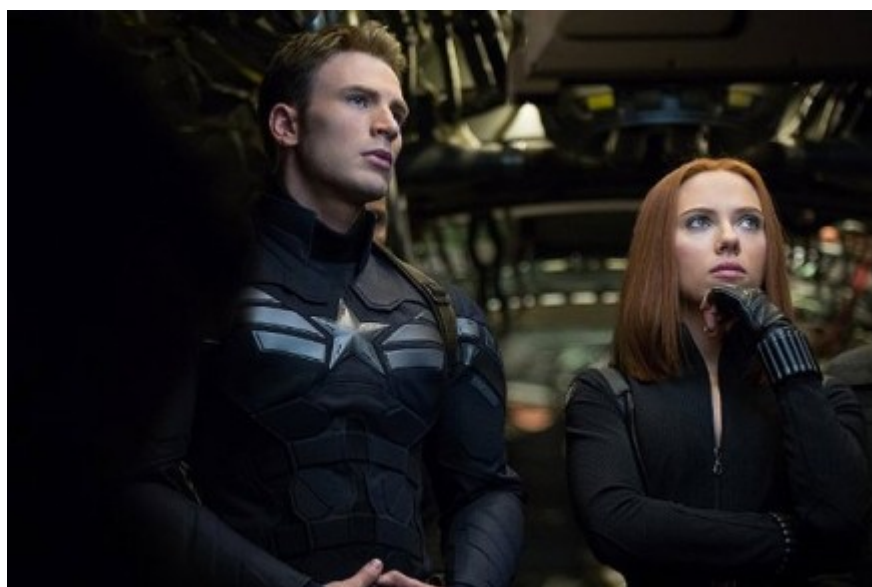
**3. Be creative:** When it comes to date ideas, you want to keep

things simple for awhile. That doesn't mean you can't spice things up and come up with something unique. As you start to get to know your boo, incorporate some of the things they like with your dates. If your love interest is really into the outdoors, go on a hike or try out a mountain bike trail. Visit a local museum if he/she enjoys culture and fine arts.

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## Get Ready to Celebrate the Holidays with 'A Madea Christmas'



By April Littleton

A small town gets ready for their annual Christmas Carnival as

Madea (played by Tyler Perry) gets persuaded by an old friend to help surprise her daughter with a visit over the holidays. Past relationships are put to the test and new secrets are revealed, while Madea celebrates Christmas her way.

### **Should you see it:**

Obviously, you'll be seeing *A Madea Christmas* if you're a Tyler Perry fan. If you're not familiar with any of his plays or movies, you might know some of the actors/actresses who will appear on the big screen with him (Chad Michael Murray, Tika Sumpter and Eric Lively). You could also go see the film simply because you're in the Christmas spirit.

### **Who to take:**

Bring a family member along or a couple of friends. You'll probably end up crying and laughing through the entire movie, so bring someone who can sympathize with both emotions.

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**What are some ways to bring a family together for the holidays?**

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

You might not be feeling any of the Christmas cheer just yet, especially if you can't seem to get all of your family on the same page. Are you having trouble getting all of your loved ones involved in the festivities? Cupid has some tips:

**1. Family project:** With the holidays vastly approaching, this would be a great time to bring all your loved ones together for a Christmas-related project. Have all of your family members decide on a Christmas tree and decorate it together, or think about doing some secret Santa shopping as a group. Little activities like this will bring all of you closer and help you figure out ways to work as a team.

**2. Family dinner:** Pick one day out of the week where every member of your family can be free to meet up for dinner. Keep communication open during the meal. Share your feelings and listen when your loved ones want to discuss any important issues or just normal, everyday topics.

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**3. Just relax:** Trying to plan a big family get together can be very stressed, especially if your loved ones haven't been in the same room with each other for a long time. Instead of giving yourself anxiety, sit back and let things fall into place. When your family arrives for the holidays, watch television together, have a dance-off competition in your living room or eat ice cream and stay up all night catching up with each other. Christmas isn't about how much money and time you spend getting everything ready – it's about family and being thankful for what you have.

**What are some other ways to bring a family together for the holidays? Comment below.**

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# Family is Everything in 'Homefront'







By April Littleton

Directed by Gary Fleder, *Homefront* stars Jason Statham as former DEA agent, Phil Broker. He is widowed father who decides to retire and move to a small town for the sake of his 10-year-old daughter. The film also includes James Franco, Kate Bosworth and Winona Ryder.

### **Should you see it:**

Jason Statham is known for starring in some pretty action-packed thrillers and this film will be no different. So, if you're a fan of the action genre or you're familiar with any of the actors you'll see on the big screen, take a chance on *Homefront* – you won't be disappointed.

### **Who to take:**

Don't be surprised if this movie is the first one on your boyfriend's list of must-sees. If you're flying solo over the Thanksgiving holiday, grabbing a bunch of your friends or family members to see this film won't be too out of the ordinary – just make sure they don't mind the fight scenes.

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## How do you help a child get over the loss of a parent?

### Cupid's Advice:

The loss of a loved one is hard on anyone, especially if that person was a parent to a child. For children, a death is harder to understand and it may become more difficult for them to grieve properly and eventually accept that their mom/dad is gone. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Help them understand:** Whether your daughter/son is old enough to understand or not, the actual death of a parent will take him/her by surprise. When the time comes, it's important that you take the time to answer any and all questions your child might have. You need to help them understand why and how the loss of their family member happened. Acceptance won't happen over night and you shouldn't expect it to – be patient.

**2. Don't punish:** After the loss of your loved one, your child might act out. The sudden change from good to bad behavior is normal in this situation. He/she is just trying to work out all of their feelings and they don't really know how to react at a time like this, especially if this is the first death in the family. Give your son/daughter some time to try to work out their emotions on their own. If you noticed that nothing has changed for the better after awhile, think about seeing a professional therapist.

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**3. Support them:** Your child will need the support from you and the rest of your family now more than anything. All of you will need to be behind each other 100 percent. You can grieve together, help each other accept what's going on and stop each other from doing anything harmful to one another. Being supportive won't just benefit your child, but you as well. Remember, you'll be dealing with the loss just as much as anyone else.

What are some other ways to help a child get over the loss of a parent? Comment below.

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# Jennifer Lawrence Is Back in 'Hunger Games' Sequel 'Catching Fire'



By April Littleton

The sequel to *The Hunger Games* begins right where the first left off. Katniss Everdeen (played by Jennifer Lawrence) returns home after winning the 74th Annual Hunger Games with Peeta Mellark (played by Josh Hutcherson). After a brief celebration, the pair must once again leave their friends and family in order to embark on a "Victor's

Tour.” While visiting the other districts and preparing for the 75th Annual Hunger Games, Katniss realizes that a rebellion is slowly creeping its way into her world.

### **Should you see it:**

This film will obviously be the first on your list to see if you’ve already watched its predecessor. *The Hunger Games: Catching Fire* is one of the most highly anticipated movies to be released this month, so you should definitely stop by your favorite movie theater or drive-in and see what all the fuss is about.

### **Who to take:**

*The Hunger Games: Catching Fire* would be great to see with a boyfriend since it’s guaranteed that there’ll be plenty of action to keep his attention. Plus, who wouldn’t want to see Jennifer Lawrence on a big screen for a couple of hours? If you don’t have a significant other to take, a few family members or some girlfriends will do the trick as well.

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**What are some ways to stay connected with loved ones when you’re miles apart?**

### **Cupid’s Advice:**

Depending on the type of lifestyle you have, it might not be possible for you to see your family and friends on a regular basis. A situation like this can be tough for a person to handle, especially if they’re used to spending time with their loved ones often. Thankfully, with the way technology is set up now, we are able to keep in close contact with the people we love. Cupid has some tips:

**1. Call regularly:** Whether it’s for an hour or a quick five minutes, call your family and friends just to let them know

you're thinking about – especially if you're on the road constantly. If your schedule doesn't really allow you the time for much conversation, send a few text messages. Your loved ones want to stay in the loop with your life and they want to make sure you're OK. Keep them updated, it's the right thing to do.

**2. Video chat:** Technology nowadays makes it possible for almost every individual to see each other face-to-face using a cell phone or laptop. Even if you by chance have neither of these, a portable webcam doesn't cost too much. Besides, seeing your family in real time will be worth the money you spend on the equipment.

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**3. Snail mail:** Sending a letter or postcard is your next best option when all else fails. Mailing off little gifts and/or notes to all of the people you care about is a little more personal than just a standard e-mail. Plus, your loved ones will have something of yours to really hold on to until you get back from your travels.

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## **‘Grace Unplugged’ Shows the True Meaning of Success**



By April Littleton

*Grace Unplugged* is a moving film about a young woman, Grace Trey (played by AJ Michalka) who aspires to be a pop star. Her relationship with her father, Johnny Trey (played by James Denton), who gave up fame when he became a Christian is tested when he warns her that the glamorous life isn't what it appears to be.

### Should you see it:

If you want to see something a little different from the typical rom-com movies, this might be a good choice. *Grace Unplugged* is a faith-based film, so expect to take away a lesson or two when you leave the theater.

### Who to take:

This film would be good to see with anyone you're close with. Take your friends, family or girlfriend/boyfriend. If you can't manage to get anyone to tag along with you, you'll be perfectly fine going solo on this one.

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

When you're on the outs with someone you care about it seems like everything else around you is falling apart as well. Sometimes, the smallest arguments can lead to even bigger problems, which can leave a once strong relationship in shambles. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Start talking:** The first step toward rebuilding your relationship is communication. You probably haven't talked to your loved one since whatever happened between the two of you. Now is the time to readdress the issue without exploding on each other. The first few conversations will be awkward, but you need to define where the two of you stand with each other and see what you need to do to fix the problem.

**2. Think positive:** Think about some of the things you appreciate about your family member. Keep those traits and good qualities in mind when you're in the middle of a disagreement. Remind yourself of all the times he/she has been there for you. The two of you might be going through a rough patch right now, but the love is still there.

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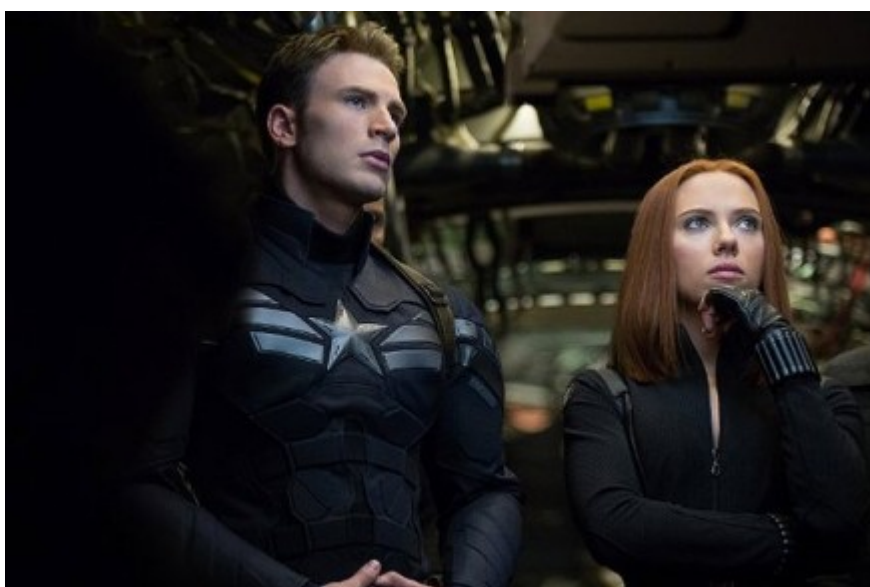
**3. Agree to disagree:** If you can't seem to settle the issue without fighting, just agree to disagree. Not every problem will have a clear resolution, especially if you can't see eye-to-eye on the topic. Don't let something silly ruin the relationship permanently. Move on from whatever is causing you so much trouble and start fresh.

**What are some other ways to fix a strained family relationship? Comment below.**



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# Annette Bening Stars in 'The Face of Love'



By April Littleton

Directed by Arie Posin, *The Face of Love* is about Nikki (played by Annette Bening) who still can't seem to get over the death of her husband. While still mourning the loss of her late spouse, she falls for an art teacher who happens to look exactly like her deceased partner. As Nikki grows increasingly delusional, her new lover Tom (played by Ed Harris) starts on a journey to figure out the mystery behind her loss.

## Should you see it:

Even though this movie falls under the romance genre, *The Face of Love* is sure to be filled with unexpected laughs considering the fact that Robin Williams, Amy Brenneman and

Jess Weixler are just a few of the A-lists who will be included in this film.

### **Who to take:**

*The Face of Love* would be great to see with a group of your closest friends. If your boyfriend/girlfriend doesn't mind a sappy movie here and there, think about taking them along as well.

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### **What are some ways to get over the death of a partner?**

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

Losing someone you love is tough. It's natural to feel as though you'll never be able to share your heart with another person again, but eventually you'll have to move on and start to live your life. Nobody will ever take the place of the love you lost, but maybe you can make room for something completely different than what you had. Cupid is here to help:

**1. Take you time:** There's no pressure when it comes to how long it takes for you to grieve and get over your tragic loss. Don't rush the process just because you think that's what your late honey would want. He/she would want you to heal on your own time. Dating should be the last thing on your mind while you get yourself back together. If you're looking for a bit of company, spend more time with your family friends.

**2. Distract yourself:** Instead of letting yourself wallow in sadness, take up some new hobbies to help distract yourself from the pain. Start hiking, take a painting class, join a support group or show some interest in things that you used to before the tragedy happened. Anything you can do to take your mind off of what happened will help you in the long run.

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**3. Remember the good times:** When you find yourself thinking about your late loved one, reminisce on all of the good times instead of the bad. Focusing on the positive of your relationship rather than the negative will help you with any feelings of guilt or resentment. It'll take some time, but you will get through this.

**How did you get over the death of a partner? Share your experience below.**

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## **'Things Never Said' is a Journey of Self Discovery**



By April Littleton

Directed by Charles Murray, *Things Never Said* is about an aspiring poet who is still haunted by a past miscarriage and a dangerous marriage. Daphne, Kal's best friend is also dealing

with romantic issues. Her boyfriend, Steve regularly takes advantage of Daphne's kindness. Kal is soon surprised when she begins to develop feelings for Curtis, a man who has a damaged past and an estranged daughter. Together, Kal starts to find her voice and her self worth.

### **Should you see it:**

If you're interested in dramas, think about checking this movie out when it opens in theaters. Fans of the hit television show, *Shameless* will see a familiar face. Shanola Hampton plays one of the lead roles. Michael Beach, Tamala Jones and Omari Hardwick will also appear on the big screen.

### **Who to take:**

If you get bored on a Saturday night and you haven't seen your girls in awhile, think about going on a dinner and movie date with a group of them. This film definitely isn't the best for a first date because of its intense, emotional content, but if you've been in a relationship for quite awhile, go ahead and take your honey to see this movie. The two of you might learn a thing or two.

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### **How do you support a partner whose had a miscarriage?**

After losing a child, it might be difficult to know how to help someone who is in so much pain. How do you show your support, but still allow your partner (and yourself) some space to grieve? Cupid has some advice:

**1. Offer an ear:** Every couple is different, but if your significant other is the type who likes to talk about the situation at hand (whether it be good or bad), then take the time to listen. If they want to talk about the loss of their baby, then let them. Let your partner know you're there for them, but don't force any sudden conversations. Let your

companion come to you first and then take the lead from there.

**2. Give them space:** When your honey is ready to spend some time alone, don't push the issue. Instead, pick up some of the slack around the house. Cook all of the meals, do the laundry and clean up any messes you see laying around. This would also be a good time for you to grieve properly. Go over to a loved one's house. If you don't feel like talking, fine, but just being around someone who cares about what you're going through will make you feel better.

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**3. Say goodbye:** When you and your boo are ready, commemorate your baby's memory. Hold a memorial service or funeral. If preparing for this becomes too difficult, start a journal or write a letter to let out all of your feelings. Acknowledging your loss and providing yourself with some closure will help you come to terms with what happened.

**Have you been through a miscarriage? How did you support your partner? Share your experience below.**

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## **'Austenland': Whimsical World of Fantasy Shows the Beginnings of Love**





By April Littleton

A 30-something-year-old woman's lifelong obsession with Jane Austen leads her to to a theme park based on the writer's stories and there she meets a handsome suitor. Although she is unable to enjoy the same luxury perks as the wealthier bachelorettes who are currently staying at Austenland, she decides to make the most of the trip anyway. During her stay, she falls in love with a servant and all of her dreams begin to come true.

### **Should you see it:**

Keri Russell, Jane Seymour and Jennifer Coolidge are just a few of the A-list stars who are signed up to play a part in this film. If you're a fan of rom-com movies, *Austenland* will be the perfect flick for you to see before summer ends.

### **Who to take:**

This movie would be great to see with a bunch a friends or if you know someone who is interested in any of Jane Austen's works, they might find *Austenland* interesting as well. It is a romantic film, so taking a date who doesn't mind your choice of genre wouldn't be a bad idea either.

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## How do you know when someone is “The One?”

### Cupid’s Advice:

You might be in love for the first time or you’ve simply just never had strong feelings for anyone before until you met your current partner. Either way, you’re wondering if he/she may be the love of your life. Nowadays, it’s hard to peg out the sincere boyfriends/girlfriends from the illegitimate ones. Don’t worry, Cupid has your back:

**1. Communication:** How well do the two of you communicate with each other? Is your significant other a good listener? If the answer is yes, your partner may be thinking about a long-term [relationship](#). Only those who are really invested in a solid relationship will be attentive, so keep that in mind the next time you start to notice your love dozing off in the middle of your conversation.

**2. Respect:** If your honey really is The One, he/she will treat you like a queen. Does your partner cater to your every want and need? Are you able to fully express your opinions and thoughts? Does your love keep all promises? You should be able to say yes to all of these questions without hesitation. You might have a keeper on your hands, but if you have any doubts about his/her feelings for you, you need to rethink the status of your relationship.

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**3. Family and friends:** What do your family and friends think about your significant other? Good or bad, your loved ones may be able to see things in your boo that you wouldn’t be able to see because of your romantic feelings. If there’s any concern coming from your family or friends, take it into consideration before you make any solid commitments.

**How did you know your partner was “The One?” Comment below.**



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# Lindsay Lohan Shows a Different Side in 'The Canyons'



By April Littleton

Directed by Paul Schrader, *The Canyons* is a story about a young couple trying to work through a past infidelity. Christian (played by James Deen) is a movie producer who works to maintain his trust fund by creating films. When he becomes aware that his actress girlfriend, Tara (played by Lindsay Lohan) is hiding an affair with another actor from him, his life takes a violent turn, filled with twists and unexpected misfortunes.

**Should you see it:**

Lindsay Lohan has been out of the game for awhile. Fans of hers will more than likely rush to local theaters to see this film. *The Canyons* falls under the mystery and suspense category, so if you like to be kept guessing until the very end of a movie, this would be the one for you.

### **Who to take:**

Unfortunately, this move is unrated, but rumors have been swirling around about sexually explicit scenes and plenty of nude flashes from *The Parent Trap* actress herself. So, naturally, it's not recommended to take young children to this movie. Would a movie about infidelity make a good date movie? Probably not. If you're still heartbroken over a breakup yourself, take a few of your close friends to see this movie. The destructive love story portrayed in the film might make you feel better about your own situation.

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### **What do you do when your partner has cheated on you?**

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

Knowing that you've been cheated on is probably one of the worst feelings in the world. You end up blaming yourself for your partner's actions and for everything that went wrong in the relationship. You're not sure if you want to forgive your significant other for his/her infidelities, or move on with your life and find someone who would treat you with the upmost respect. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Confront them:** In order for you to make a clear decision about your relationship, you need to confront your partner about their wrongdoings. If you have solid proof, show them. Ask them why they did what they did. Be prepared for whatever answers they may give you. Your love may lie to you or he/she may admit to having cheated on you in the past. In any case, make sure you are mentally ready for the discussion before you

go through with it.

**2. Think about it:** It's easy to cause on a scene the instant you find out your boo is cheating. Before you make any mistakes you'll regret, think about what you've just found out. Take a couple of days to let the information sink in before you bring it up. You might even want to share the bad news with some close friends you trust. They might have been through a similar situation and will have plenty of advice for you.

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**3. Let go:** Do you think your relationship is worth saving? Can you see yourself mending a relationship with someone who has cheated? You need to decide if you're willing to forgive or if you want to move on. Trust will always be an issue once infidelity becomes a problem in a relationship. If you can't trust who you love, what kind of future will you have with them?

**Have you had a loved one cheat on you? How did you deal with it? Share your experience below.**

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## **'Girl Most Likely' Shows the Ups and Downs of the Healing Process**





By April Littleton

Kristen Wiig plays Imogen, a failed New York playwright who has lost her self-confidence after a horrible breakup. After a fake suicide attempt performed on stage to try to win back the affections of her former flame, Imogen is forced to live with her estranged mother, Zelda (Annette Bening). Desperate to get back to the glitz and glam she once knew so well, Imogen realizes she must come to terms with her family, including her brother (Christopher Fitzgerald), her mother's new boyfriend (Matt Damon) and a random stranger who just happens to have taken over her room (Darren Criss).

### **Should you see it:**

Fans of the comedy genre will find plenty of laughs in this film. Lead performances by Kristen Wigg, Matt Damon and Annette Bening will not go unnoticed by the audience either. Once fellow Gleekers realize Darren Criss (who plays Blaine Anderson on *Glee*) has a predominant role in this film, they will fall in love with the star all over again.

### **Who to take:**

This film falls into the PG-13 category for sexual content and language, so it's safe to say that the movie may not be entirely kid-friendly. *Girl Most Likely* would be best to see

with a group of friends, some older family members or a potential love interest. If you already have a significant other, drag them to the movies on your special date night together.

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**How do you regain your confidence after a bad breakup?**

**Cupid’s Advice:**

Enduring a bad breakup can put a big damper on your self-confidence. Dealing with the pain of rejection and heartache can have a negative impact on the way you see yourself. If you let these feelings fester for too long, you’ll never get back to your fabulous self. It’s time to move on from the guilt you feel over your breakup and get your life back. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Stop blaming yourself:** After the end of a relationship, it’s perfectly natural for you to blame yourself for what happened, especially if you were the one who was dumped. However, you need to realize the entire breakup doesn’t just fall on you. Your ex has a part in what happened as well. It takes two people to make a relationship work. The relationship didn’t fail because of one person. Beating yourself up over something you have no control over will only make you feel worse about yourself.

**2. Get a makeover:** You’ve probably let yourself go a little bit while grieving over your former boo. Now it’s time to show them what they’ve been missing! Clean yourself up, buy a whole new wardrobe and put on a brave, new smile. A smile is the most attractive attribute on a person’s body, so give it your best shot. Once you get all dolled up, all eyes will be on you in a positive light and you’ll feel like a million bucks.

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**3. Remind yourself of the good:** Every time you start to feel down, keep in mind all of the positive traits you possess. Are you good at making people laugh? Do your friends say you're the best cook in town? Can people come to you for non-judgemental advice? Remind yourself of all of the great things about you and if it's hard for you to see yourself in such a positive light, your friends and loved ones will be more than happy to help.

**How did you regain your confidence after a breakup? Share your experience below.**

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## 'Grown Ups 2' Stirs Up More Trouble



By April Littleton

The big kids are back in this sequel to the box office hit

*Grown Ups*. Lenny (played by Adam Sandler) moves his family back to his hometown where he grew up. Once he returns home, Lenny, along with his old school friends, are forced to deal with the past they thought they left behind – old and new bullies, party crashers and crazy bus drivers. Surprisingly, the old gang learn a valuable lesson from their own children on a day full of twists and turns – the last day of school.

### **Should you see it:**

If you love to laugh and watch family-related comedies, this is the movie for you. The all-star comedy cast is back in this film, including the faces of Adam Sandler, David Spade, Kevin James and Chris Rock. Besides, if you already have the first installment stored away somewhere in your DVD collection, why wouldn't you see the sequel?

### **Who to take:**

For a film like this, you should think about taking someone with a good sense of humor. Take a date or tag along with a couple of your best friends for a fun night out. If you know someone who is a fan of *Saturday Night Live*, they'll find some satisfaction in this movie – *SNL* alum Maya Rudolph is a part of the cast.

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### **When is it time to relocate your family?**

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

Moving is never an easy thing to do, especially when it's not just your things you're packing up. Certain circumstances need to be taken into consideration when a family is added into the equation. Do you have children? Does your spouse have a job they can't bare to leave? Is the rest of your family even in agreeance with the move? You may be ready for a drastic



change, but you have to put your family first. Cupid has some advice:

**1. School's out:** If you're going to go through with this move, it's best you wait until after your children are done with the school year. Wait until the summer before you pack up your family and move across town. Moving during a school year can have a negative impact on your child. His/her grades may suffer and they may feel left out around other kids their age. If you give your kid the summer to get used to a new environment, they'll be able to feel everything out and might even make a few friends along the way.

**2. Short on time:** If you're moving because of a change in career, your new job might not give you enough time to get settled in before expecting you to return to work in your business suit. Moving at such a quick haste will disrupt your family's daily routine, but if you've already talked about it with your partner and they support your decision, the move should run fairly smoothly.

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**3. You're feeling cramped:** Sometimes a house just gets too small. Your family may have grown over the past few years and you no longer have any extra space for yourself. If this is your reason for moving, wait until the rest of your family is free of responsibilities. You'll have some extra hands to help you pack up those boxes in the moving van.

**When did you know it was time to relocate? Share your experience below.**

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# Rom-Com 'Finding Joy' Is a Journey



By April Littleton

In this film directed by Carlo De Rosa, Kyle Livingston (played by Josh Cooke) is a self-absorbed writer until he gets the chance to rediscover all aspects of his life through the meeting of Joy Bailey (played by Liane Balaban). Joy is a spirited woman who helps Kyle come to terms with himself and guides him on the journey to happiness – all the while asking him to write her obituary.

## Should you see it:

If you're a fan of independent films and seeing fresh faces up on the big screen, this is the movie for you. If you enjoy the work of Nicholas Sparks, Rob Reiner (think *When Harry Met Sally...*) and Cameron Crowe, *Finding Joy* will surely make you gush and maybe even cause you to tear up a bit as well.

## **Who to take:**

You should take someone who appreciates the occasional indie film. This movie is perfect for a night out with a hot date, or can be viewed with a relative as a little afternoon splurge. *Finding Joy* is both romantic and family-oriented, so it can be enjoyed with an array of people.

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## **When is it time to change your ways for a new love interest?**

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

No one is perfect, but there are times where a person's flaws or behaviors can cause a new relationship to self-destruct. It's even worse when your partner is the type of person who doesn't tell you exactly what they want – they just hope change will eventually come. If that's the case, it's up to you to take responsibility and make some changes for the sake of your new relationship. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Change will help you improve:** It's time to make some changes for yourself as well as for your significant other when you know it will help you become a better partner and become a happier person. Don't be resentful toward your love, especially if you know your bad behaviors are not only causing damage to your relationship, but also harming you internally as well.

**2. Your partner is threatening to leave:** If it's the early stages of relationship and your new boo is already threatening to call it quits, you may need to think about what you could be doing to cause your partner to feel this way. Communication is key in all aspects of a relationship. You want to show your significant other the best and worst side of you, but if your worst is just too much to handle, you may need to tone it down.

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**3. You're ready to be committed:** You think to yourself "This is it. This is 'The One.'" You're ready to fully commit to another person and you want to make sure you do all you can to keep your partner happy. If you're aware of the not so desirable traits you have, find the tools you need to improve on yourself and become a more capable person. Seek outside help, do whatever is necessary to make your new relationship last. Show the person you love you're ready to become the person they know you can be.

**When did you know you had to change some of your bad habits?**  
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## Classic Novel Turned Movie, 'The Great Gatsby'





By Meghan Fitzgerald

Nick Carraway (Toby Maguire) is a stockbroker in the 1920's, on the outskirts of New York. He moves to West Egg, Long Island after fighting in World War I. Nick meets back up with his cousin Daisy Buchanan (Carey Mulligan) and husband, Tom (Joel Edgerton) who live in East Egg. Next door to Nick is Jay Gatsby's (Leonardio DiCaprio) mansion. A man known for throwing extravagant parties yet living a very mysterious and relatively unknown life. As Nick begins to friend Gatsby, he realizes a love Gatsby has for his cousin, Daisy. A love broken by World War I. Nick finds himself between the two, not knowing which way to turn. Madness, tragedy, and love emerge from the mysterious shadow of Gatsby and the colorful and dangerous 1920's New York life style.

**Should you see it:** Leonardo DiCaprio. *Titanic*, *Shutter Island*, *The Departed*, *J. Edgar*, *Django Unchained*. This legendary man has seen his Hollywood days, and by the amount of awards on his shelves...he rocks it, and the audience loves him. *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald is a timely piece of work. If you read the book and enjoyed it, even if it was only the slightest bit...go out and see this movie. It is Leonardo DiCaprio ladies and gentlemen.

**Who to take:** Here here, literature enthusiasts and Leonardo DiCaprio fans. This is your movie to see if you like either of

those. You absolutely must see this soon-to-be award winning film if you love literature and Leo.

Couples everywhere, gather your money and prepare for date night. With *The Great Gatsby* being one of America's most well-known and classic novels, people of all ages should see, embrace, and enjoy this film.

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**When should you try and win back the love of your life?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

Some people in your life just slip away from you. As much as you tried to hold on to them, and plead for them never to leave...some just do. Or maybe you left and are now realizing how much of a fool you are for it. No matter the case, trying to win back your ex is difficult. Cupid has some advice on if you should do it or not:

**1. Soul mates:** You know you should try and win back your past beau if you believe they are your soul mate. Soul mates are not something you should take lightly, if you think someone could be your other half...hold them close. It is said that you have one person who equals you, a person you can morph into and become one. Fight as much as you can to get that person back if you've lost them.

**2. Waiting:** Have you ever been in a position where you've had to wait for a person before? They weren't available, or they were moving, a situation causing you to wait for them. Were you in love with someone so intensely, yet they loved another person? If you've answered yes to these, and your scenarios of waiting are over...go and get them. Go out there, do whatever you have to do to have them in your life again.

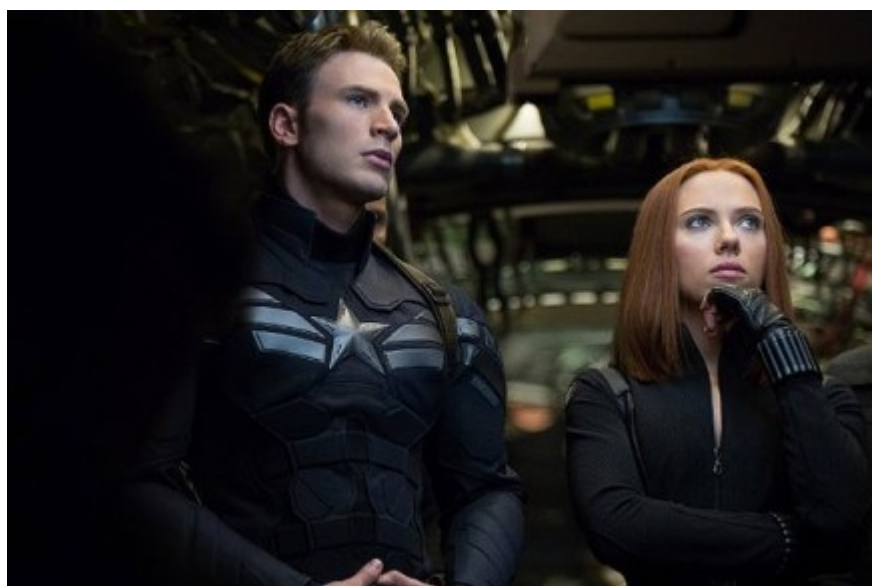
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**3. Wrong partner:** Did your ex get together with the wrong person? Are they now realizing what a mistake they made by choosing them over you? This is your time to shine, to show them how right you are for them. How you two should of been together in the first place, how they will be happier with you instead of their current partner. Show them that they chose the wrong partner and live happily ever after.

**Have you ever won back the love of your life? Explain below.**

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## Star-Casted Romantic Comedy, 'The Big Wedding'



By Meghan Fitzgerald

*The Big Wedding* has a vamped up cast, including Diane Keaton, Robert De Niro, Susan Sarandon, Robin Williams, Katherine Heigl, Amanda Seyfried and Topher Grace. This new romantic



comedy directed by Justin Zackham is about a modern family attempting to remain sane for the weekend of Alejandro (Ben Barnes) and Missy O' Connor's (Amanda Seyfried) wedding. Don (Robert De Niro) and Ellie Griffin (Diane Keaton) are a long divorced couple who are playing "happy" for their adopted son's wedding. Alejandro's biological mother is also in attendance, after deciding to fly halfway around the world. Not only does she not approve of divorce, but she also doesn't know that Alejandro's foster parents are adopted. The Griffin family tries to keep their cool as they are bombarded with the past, present and future throughout the weekend.

**Should you see it?:** This movie will be one for the books. One that people will remember for years to come. With this cast, how could you not see it? With the soft hues of humor intertwined with an old and new story of love, you can not miss it. It has the dysfunctional family attempting to keep it together, old romance, comedy, and a real story.

**Who to take:** All people who enjoy Rom-Com's should without a doubt see this movie. It has Katherine Heigl in it: Queen of Rom-Com city. *27 Dresses*, *The Ugly Truth*, *Life as We Know It*. The list goes on and on. Do you love the humor of Diane Keaton, Robert Williams, and Robert De Niro? Than you need to see this movie as soon as possible.

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**How do you avoid wedding chaos?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

It seems that wedding chaos is inevitable if your family is the slightest bit dysfunctional. Any wedding malfunctions are common, even if it seems drastic and not normal. To keep the slight malfunctions from turning into complete chaos, you need a leader. A person to put everyone in line, to keep calm and

organized. Cupid has some more advice on this:

**1. Keep the bride calm:** As much as men can say they have equal part involvement as the bride, they're wrong. Most women have been thinking about their wedding since they were young. They have been checking over the table arrangement, moisture of the cake, songs played at the reception....all since day 1. They know their wedding like the back of the hand, and if a slight problem occurs; the bride must remain calm.

**2. Unwanted guests:** At some wedding, unwanted guests may arise. Ex-husbands, old friends, abandoned family members; they all could pop in at any moment. With these unwanted guests showing up at your perfect wedding, chaos may loom. The best thing to do here is stay perfectly calm, and have a responsible and unbiased adult exit them out of the venue. No chaos if there are no unwanted guests.

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**3. Caterer/flowers:** Check in with your caterer constantly days before your wedding. Make sure they have the right times, addresses, and menu. Chaos will emerge if there is no food at the wedding. The same thing goes along for flowers. It is necessary to keep in contact with your florist and be aware of what you ordered, how much you ordered, the colors, and anything else essential.

**Have you ever been to a wedding resulting in chaos? Share your experience below.**

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# American Romance Film, 'To The Wonder'



By Meghan Fitzgerald

In this new movie, 'To The Wonder,' Ben Affleck plays Neil, an American traveler who winds up falling in love with Marina (Olga Kurylenko). Marina is a Ukrainian divorcee raising her ten year old daughter Tatiana in Paris. The newlyweds take their romance to Mont St. Michel, with Neil making a firm commitment to his love, Marina. Marina and her daughter Tatiana move to Oklahoma for Neil's sake, and settle down as a family.

**Should you see it:** This is not some measly star actor here ... it's Ben Affleck ladies and gentleman. He's got scruffy facial hair, superb eye for producing, and is an all-in-all phenomenal actor. Plus, he's the director and actor of *Argo*, and *The Town*. If you are completely infatuated with Ben Affleck, or simply enjoy his impressive acting skill...see this movie.

**Who to take:** For this movie, take someone who thoroughly enjoys cinema. Someone who appreciates great acting, a strong romance story, and is willing to shed a few tears in the theaters. This is a great movie for a date night out. With warm weather rolling its' way in, take your partner to dinner somewhere outside. Than treat them to this tear-jerking, heart ache of a romance film.

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The relationships cools off as Marina and Tatiana go back to Paris because of visa expiration. Neil rekindles a past relationship, Jane. An old flame who he inevitably falls in love with again. Drama ensues with Marina and Neil is left to decide what to do. Who to love. Where to go. What is life supposed to be.

**When should you get back together with an old flame?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

There will usually come a time after a breakup when you'll want to get back together with your ex. You have to handle this situation carefully because you may get back into the relationship for the wrong reasons. Make sure your head it clear when you reconsider the two of you. Cupid has some more advice:

**1. Soul mate:** Many believe that there is a person out there in this enormous universe which is yours. Your other half, the person who keeps you sane, keeps you happy, and keeps you in love. If you know that your ex is your soul mate, make sure of it. Don't hop back into the relationship because you're lonely or jealous. If you know you two should be together, do something about it.

**2. Responsibility:** There are certain responsibilities attached to relationships. Especially if children are put into the

equation. If your ex is suffering, both physically and financially. There comes a time where it may be your responsibility to rekindle the relationship for your partner's sake. Only you know what these situations are, and only you can determine if it is worth the risk.

**3. Change:** Did you and your mate end things because they weren't what you thought they were? Have they now changed and you are considering getting back together? This is common throughout breakups everywhere. It is possible for a person to change. You may not want to believe it, however it is true. If your ex really has changed, rekindling is a superb idea.

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## Stephanie Meyer's Novel Turned Into a Movie, 'The Host!'





By Meghan Fitzgerald

Aliens, called 'souls' invaded Earth and have begun to take control of people's minds! The new upcoming supernatural movie, *The Host*, is adapted from Stephanie Meyer's novel. Written and directed by Andrew Niccol, the stars on deck include Saoirse Ronan, Max Irons, Diane Kruger, and Jake Abel. Souls can only survive through inserting a host into another person's body. Melanie Stryder (Ronan) was inserted with one of these 'souls.' Melanie begins to feel sympathetic towards humans, discovers what love is, and is trying to run away from the people trying to kill her.

**Should you see it:** Are you a huge fan of the *Twilight Saga*? Are you completely obsessed with the love story of Edward and Bella? Are you interested in the movie, *Beautiful Creatures* currently in theaters? If answered yes to any of these questions, you should absolutely see this movie. If you have read the book by Stephanie Meyer, this movie better be number one on your list.

**Who to take:** When I endured a *Twilight Saga* opening night, I was immersed in teeny-boppers. Since Stephanie Meyer is responsible for *Twilight* and *The Host*, an I think this may be a 'bring your kids' kind of movie. People who enjoy supernatural beings, and a sci-fi romance should also go. The age level may vary with this movie compared to *Twilight*, bring

anyone with an open mind!

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**When do you know a friendship can loom into a relationship?**

**Cupid's Advice:**

This type of relationship is the trickiest kind to get into. Turning a friendship into a relationship is more than challenging. The main dilemma here is if the relationship fails, your friendship is gone. And if you're considering getting into a relationship with your friend, they are definitely one of the best. Although this may be a sticky situation, there are many ways where a friendship can blossom into a relationship. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Love:** Love is everywhere you go. In super markets, restaurants, movie theaters, work places, the park, dinner table, almost everywhere you look. This being said, it is not uncommon that you fall into love with your best friend. If you have fallen into love with one of your friends, and wish for it to turn into a relationship, make sure it is real love. Don't think it's love because they are around all the time or you tell them everything. Make sure you can't spend a day without them and wish to be with them romantically.

**2. Subtle hints:** If you do want to turn a friendship into a relationship, you need to know if the other person feel the same way. If they already drop hints, such as, casual touches, strong eye contact, constant blushing; they may feel the same way. If they don't, than you need to drop these hints and see how they react to them. This reaction will determine whether or not you can turn your friendship into a full blown relationship!

**3. No change:** A great thing with turning a friendship to a

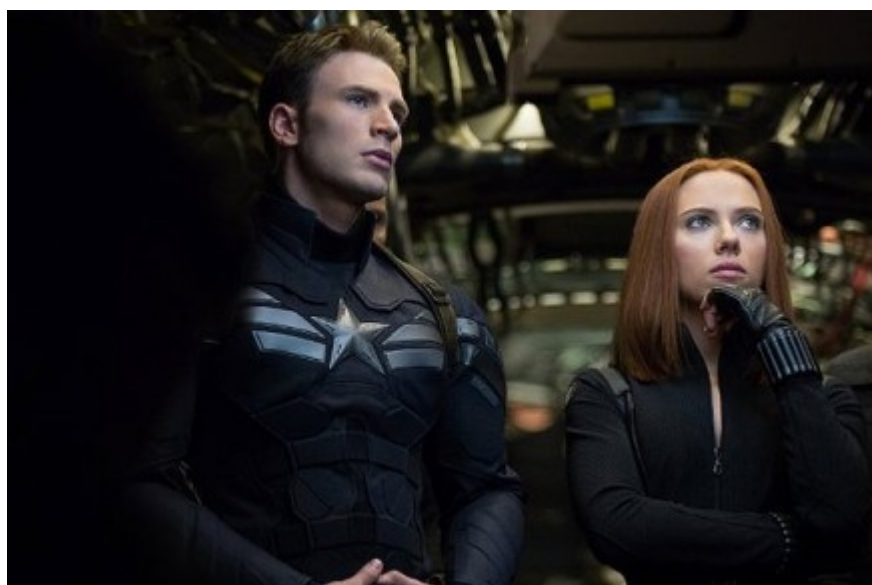


relationship is how little change there will be. Obviously you both will now be involved romantically. However, you two most likely already know every little thing about each other, have a routine, nick names, favorite restaurants. You and your mate do not have to worry about meeting each others parents because you already did! The relationship would be effortless since you both are already comfortable with one another!

**Has a friendship of yours turned into a relationship? Share your experience below!**

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## **New Comedic Romance Film, 'Admission' Starring Tina Fey**



By Meghan Fitzgerald

Tina Fey, *30 Rock* star, and Paul Rudd, recent star of *This is 40*, are joining together on the screen for the first time

together. Director, Paul Weitz, nominated for an Academy Award shows what occurs on the route to happiness. Tina Fey's character in the new romance comedy, *Admission*, is a cookie-cutter, straight edged Princeton admission officer, Portia Nathan. A promotion is open for Portia, and she takes off on a recruiting trip for the upcoming year. On the road, she reconnects with her mother, expressing love for one another again. Portia heads off to New Quest school.

**Should you see it:** This is Tina Fey ladies and gentleman! SNL superstar, comedian of a myriad of skits, author of *Bossy Pants*, star of *Baby Mama*. And Paul Rudd! Starring in big shot movies such as *Knocked Up*, *I Love You Man*, and *Role Models*. Comedian extraordinaires! If you like to laugh yourself off the chair, see this movie! If you enjoy a twist of comedy and romance, see this movie! If you like either of these all star comedians, see this movie!!

**Who to take:** Take people who enjoy comedy, people who like to laugh for five minutes on end, or cry at the sincerity of Fey's character, Portia. Take your more mature children to the PG-13 movie, or your mother for shared laughs. Take your husband after a long week, or take yourself! All the people above the age of thirteen are encouraged to see this comedic romance film!

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At New Quest, she meets up with former college classmate, the optimistic John Pressman (Paul Rudd). He informs Portia that Jeremiah (Nat Wolff) the extremely gifted yet slightly unconventional student may be the child Portia secretly gave up for adoption. Twists spiral out, Jeremiah is applying to Princeton University. Portia re-evaluates the admission requirements, Jeremiah's application and the binding rules of the Ivy League school. Portia finds herself bending the rules for her possible child's admission to Princeton, and for the

love she finds turning up in her life.

## **When should you take a professional risk for love?**

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

It is always challenging to know whether or not you should take a professional risk for love. The possibility of losing your job is a frightening thought. However, don't you want a little danger in your life? A little risk? Don't you want to discover if this person could be the love of your life? Even if it may risk your life, do you want to risk your chance of losing love? Cupid has some more advice:

**1. Soul mates:** You know that feeling when you just simply know you and your partner mesh together? It is hard to describe when you're in it, you don't believe you could get along with one person so much. This feeling is when it would be acceptable to take a professional risk for love. Even if it is still scary for you, and you may not want to jump out of your comfort zone, you absolutely should! When these feeling are present, it is ridiculous to ignore them.

**2. Danger:** Are you looking for a little danger in your life? Is the person you are currently seeing going to cause a risk in your profession if you continue the relationship? If you want to spice a few things up in your life, than take the risk. Who knows what it will lead you to! Everyone needs a little suspense, mystery, and secrecy once in a while. Continue on the relationship with your mate will ensure all three of these.

**3. Feelings are mutual:** You do not, and I repeat, do not want to put a risk on your job for love if the feelings are not mutual! This is where most people fall down hill and spiral out of control. Do not be naive, ask your partner how they honestly feel and what they foresee out of the relationship. If your mate thinks you should take the risk because they care

for you more than life itself, take that risk!

**Have you ever taken a professional risk for love? Share your experience below!**