

# Celebrity Break-Ups: Kelly Clarkson & Usher Connect Over Divorce Difficulties



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In the latest [celebrity news](#), Kelly Clarkson and Usher opened up about the pains they both experienced as they were going through [celebrity divorces](#). According to *UsMagazine.com*, the two discussed some of the challenges that follow a divorce in the spotlight on Clarkson's talk-show, the *Kelly Clarkson Show*. Clarkson had recently announced her [celebrity break-up](#) from Brandon Blackstock in July of this year after nearly seven years of marriage, while Usher has gone through divorces with both Tameka Foster in 2009 and Grace Miguel in 2017.

# Kelly Clarkson and Usher connected over their celebrity break-up struggles. What are some ways to support someone who is going through a rough split?

## Cupid's Advice:

Watching someone we care about go through an emotional break-up can be almost as painful as going through a break-up ourselves. If you are looking for ways to support a friend or family member through a rough split, Cupid has some advice for you:

**1. Listen to them:** The best way to show your support for someone in any situation, especially someone going through a rough split, is to simply listen to them. While it is great to offer advice and insight into similar situations you have been through, it is also important to make sure you are simply listening as the other person expresses their feelings. The last thing you want is for someone to falsely think you are trying to make the situation about yourself.

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**2. Spend time together:** One of the most difficult things that follows a break-up is filling the time that you used to spend with your significant other. If you know someone who is going through a painful break-up, a great way to support them is to offer them your time. Make plans to go out to lunch or watch a movie and allow them to escape from thinking about their break-up for a few hours.

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**3. Reserve your opinions:** Right after a break-up, many people turn to talking poorly about their new ex as a way of processing what they are going through. While you may have opinions about this person's ex or their relationship in general, it is better to reserve these opinions in the beginning. Whether you have been waiting for the couple to break-up or shocked that their relationship didn't work, waiting until all emotions have subsided to express your opinions can prevent any confusion or ill feelings between you and the person you are supporting.

**What are some other ways to support someone you is going through a rough split? Start a conversation in the comments below!**

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# Usher Opens Up About His Heated Custody Battle





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Usher is finally sharing the story of the heated custody battle he went through with his ex, Tameka Foster. [UsMagazine.com](https://www.usmagazine.com) reports that the claims have now been settled after three years, and Usher was rewarded primary custody of the couple's two sons, Usher V, 4, and Naviyd, 3, on August 24<sup>th</sup>. Usher has agreed to open up about his custody battle for the first time to Oprah on *Oprah's Next Chapter*, which aired September 16<sup>th</sup>. "This will be the only time that I've ever chosen to speak about it. I've been a man of integrity throughout the entire process, which I hope my boys will understand," Usher told host Oprah Winfrey.

**How do you make sure your custody battle doesn't affect your kids?**

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

Custody battles can be extremely difficult, and things can get heated between you and your ex. Making sure your kids stay out of it, however, is extremely important. Cupid has some advice:

**1. Don't talk about it in front of them:** While the custody battle is probably the most important thing on your mind, you should never be talking about it in front of your kids. You don't want to drag them into the drama, so don't say something bad about your ex or what is happening in court in front of your children.

**2. Remain civil:** things may get out of hand and you may really dislike your partner at this time, but it is important not to show that side to your kids. Try to remain civil with your partner when your kids are involved.

**3. Act like nothing is wrong:** Treating your kids like nothing has changed is the only way to keep them comfortable during this confusing time. If they have questions, answer them as best you can, but otherwise continue about your daily life, as you would have before the drama started.

**How did you keep a custody battle from affecting your kids?  
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