

Why is this so accurate? Have men always been like this?

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If you have to ask where it's going, it ain't going anywhere.

PearlEarringGirl • 126 points • 5 January, 2021 09:32 PM

True. Should we just walk away? I wouldn't like to ask only to have him ask me to be his gf just to string me along, cos you know, if you ask you give them the chance to do that

honeybeeroll • 70 points • 6 January, 2021 02:29 AM

The handbook says to not divulge what you're looking for/never ask what you are, because well, if he really wanted to be your boyfriend you wouldn't have to ask. When you tell a guy what you're looking for (even something simple as "I'm looking for an LTR") you're just giving them the script to play you with. If you find yourself wondering what you are, if you really want to ask him, walk away because he's not serious.

calloftululu • 29 points • 6 January, 2021 03:51 AM

Exactly this! We're hiding what we actually want so we can vet harder. Never divulge these details, it just gives them a chance to string you along by weaponizing what you want and dangling that carrot in your face.

maj0relle • 16 points • 6 January, 2021 01:03 PM

What is he asks you directly 'what are you looking for?' Is there a way to answer that question without divulging but also not sounding like you want something casual? I've always struggled with that question

honeybeeroll • 14 points • 6 January, 2021 05:39 PM

I have heard some women here say they just respond that they'll know when they see it. I am not sure if the handbook offers tips on this directly but I would recommend you ask this like here or on askFDS so some ladies who have skillfully answered this can chime in!

[deleted] • 128 points • 5 January, 2021 10:05 PM

In all my long-term relationships, I've never had to ask. This has actually always been the norm in my country, so I'm sad to see this modern American trend of "seeing where things are going" while having sex or even dating become the norm (thanks to OLD). We never did dating in that sense here since you never knew you were dating until you were already together lol. You just met someone through friends or hobbies and you would do stuff together as friends. If the guy started asking you out for one on one activities and paying for you, you could guess he was probably courting you but as a woman the ball was always in your court to initiate a kiss (at which point it was understood that you are a couple, no talk needed). It was also a very normal thing to wait some time before having sex. Hell, I have friends that even established they were a couple a week before they kissed. When you know, you know ☐

I just liked how the onus was on the party that didn't feel the spark to bring up that they didn't want a relationship (once physical contact has been made) as opposed to the person who wanted the relationship to ask for one. I guess this is why so many women nowadays are feeling confused and mistreated because everything is in reverse now!

balanaise • 22 points • 6 January, 2021 03:39 AM

This is so much better than what we have. I wish it worked that way here

thowawaywookie • 16 points • 6 January, 2021 08:52 AM

It used to work that way from what my grandmother said.

Abuse was hidden and many women just endured.

nostradamusapologist • 6 points • 6 January, 2021 10:19 PM

What country/region is this? You don't have to answer obviously, just curious

[deleted] • 11 points • 6 January, 2021 10:22 PM

Let's say I'm in western Europe ;)

autumnxo92 • 37 points • 5 January, 2021 09:51 PM

Run, don't walk!

iamwildflowers • 29 points • 5 January, 2021 09:56 PM

When in doubt "Run, don't walk" ☐. I'm adding this to my list of 2021 mottos.

Revy_Ur_Engines • 20 points • 5 January, 2021 10:44 PM

Personally I just walk away because I lack patience. But you also can tell them what you want and if they want to come on board then let's go. Anything other than an enthusiastic yes means you have to go.

Levelupmama • 3 points • 7 January, 2021 04:10 PM

Treadmill lol

souredskittles • 432 points • 5 January, 2021 08:21 PM

Basically they want you around without the responsibilities. Don't do it ladies!

2340000 • 115 points • 5 January, 2021 11:59 PM*

Preach girl! And you shouldn't have to ask, "where is this going?"... Wtf.. Have you even asked yourself if you want it to go somewhere?□

It's not, "I accept the relationship because he's kind enough to consider me for a relationship". Or keep dating him because he gave the DTR talk□

The point isn't to get every man to commit. Or even want to. Put the focus back on the woman. Geesh...

Canijustbekim • 59 points • 6 January, 2021 03:13 AM

This! If a man wants you, you'll know. Unfortunately "He's Just Not That Into You" is still a very accurate book.

My boyfriend said he knew on the first night he met me that I was the one for him, so men know what they want, if they say they don't know, it ain't you, sorry.

calloftululu • 41 points • 6 January, 2021 03:47 AM

My boyfriend was the one to initiate the relationship talk in just two weeks of dating. He was the one asking me where it's going by the fourth week, since I was still vetting by then and had a rotation going on. There was never any confusion, mixed signals or inconsistency. They ALL know.

oceanstains • 152 points • 5 January, 2021 09:03 PM

In 4th grade □□□□□□

HolyIsTheLord • 36 points • 6 January, 2021 01:26 AM

That was my favorite part.

I love this lady.

MagnifiqueMaleficent • 20 points • 6 January, 2021 02:24 PM

My NVM abusive ex was always accusing me of lying about the littlest things that no one would lie about. Straight projection. Like, if I said I went to X on vacation when I was a sophomore in high school, he said that it wasn't true. □ If I said I had gotten a X on the SAT test, he said it wasn't true. □ If I said I routinely ski down black diamond ski runs, he said it wasn't true. □ He seemed to think he was omnipotent and knew facts about me from years before he even met me. I finally told him it was annoying and I really didn't like having to defend every single thing I'd ever said and he said that it was because he has "trust issues." A girl he had been on a date with once when he was in high school had told him a lie once. Once. In high school. □□□ I still kick myself that i allowed him to waste my time and energy trying to prove myself to him when I should've just said, "bye, little man."

autumnxo92 • 127 points • 5 January, 2021 08:40 PM

"Man fetus" □

sunologie • 115 points • 5 January, 2021 08:49 PM

This is so accurate lmao! Men just want everything in the world with no effort and no responsibility

eluriaeve • 49 points • 5 January, 2021 08:29 PM

Bahaha so accurate

Pasdepromesses • 51 points • 5 January, 2021 09:12 PM

Don't even ask. He's showing you. Run.

Kristeninmyskin • 47 points • 5 January, 2021 09:54 PM

While this has been all of us at one time in our lives, I think we can all agree to not ask a man where something is going or what they want. We don't have to ask, *they will tell us with their actions!*

RedditRabbitt • 9 points • 7 January, 2021 03:28 AM

SO TRUE! I asked my now husband bc he was foreign and I thought I needed to "make sure we were on the same page" since it was a long distance thing. As if... him talking to me every single night on the iPad he bought me so that he could see my face, and the trips he took from Australia to visit, and the gifts he bought me, and him waking up in the middle of the night to be on my time zone to talk bc I had to work, and flying in to meet my crazy religious family... didn't solidify that we were together. I still cringe at the fact that I asked.. □

Dontstopmenow2021 • 49 points • 5 January, 2021 11:23 PM

I'm 100% sure she's one of the us...the "I've been cheated on when I was in 4th grade" gave her away XD

ChocolateBiscuit96 • 30 points • 6 January, 2021 12:34 AM

loooooo. This dude was like "I told you my secrets and I said I loved you". He never referred to me as his girlfriend of course. The games boys play □□♀□

[deleted] • 28 points • 6 January, 2021 05:20 AM

No sex weeds out the fakes.

laylamiller • 26 points • 6 January, 2021 10:12 AM*

This! This guy had the nerve to ask why after two weeks we weren't having sex. And I was like, "We're not in a relationship." And he then claimed that such terms were "archaic" and that we had a "connection" we needed to express physically. But he also claimed he wasn't just out get sex but to feel desired. Dumb shit but it was highly amusing reading the texts.

[deleted] • 11 points • 7 January, 2021 12:51 AM*

"We HaVe A CoNneCtiOn wE nEeD tO eXprEs pHySicAlLy." But only through sex, not through the other plethora of ways to be physically affectionate.

Also, women are in a bit of a pickle now because guys can think because of most women "only having sex in a committed relationship" (not married) that they can slap on the "girlfriend" label and now we have to sexually service them because we are their GiRIFriEnD, which has no real tangible commitment and is totally arbitrary. But unless we want to date die-hard followers of Abrahamic religions, with all the drawbacks that entails, this is what we are dealing with.

This is why I advocate #DitchMen2021 lol. Don't tell my man.

laylamiller • 9 points • 7 January, 2021 01:12 AM

Exactly. Long story but my first everything I was engaged to him. Turned out he was living a double life. He had a 2nd apartment for his side chick. I thought because I had a ring, we shared an apartment, he even called me his wife that meant we were serious. Chick in the other apartment that didn't know about me must've thought the same thing.

[deleted] • 9 points • 7 January, 2021 01:58 AM*

I cannot with these scrotes. Lol we have to extend past men paying for all dates to give less resources to date other women and make sure they also pay for all bills so they don't have whole ass second families! □ □ Guys are out here trying to live like kings in 200 B.C. while making 60k a year and having their women subsidize their fantasies and it shows.

laylamiller • 3 points • 7 January, 2021 03:18 PM

He was a provider so that bullshit was all on his dime. I'm not gonna say that made me trust him but it made me feel like he loved me because he was so generous, why else would he invest so much of his resources in me/us?

Turns out he simply had a different scam going on because he was a narcissist.

RedditRabbitt • 6 points • 7 January, 2021 03:32 AM

It really does and I tell my friends this. They don't listen. Then complain the guy they fucked from the bar isn't interested in a real relationship! Like, my friend genuinely can't figure out why she can't get a relationship and she sleeps with every guy the first night. She doesn't even wait for a first date!

SansaDeservedBetter • 20 points • 5 January, 2021 09:37 PM

I keep thinking she's using the music from Gone Girl in her tiktoks but I'm not so sure. Either way, I love her.

BungalowBootieBitch • 19 points • 6 January, 2021 02:08 AM

I don't use tik tok but I'm so tempted to make an account just to send this to my good friend. She's literally in this situation. Except she's also unsure of what she wants. It killed me that she was trying to figure out how to ask the man to not sleep with other women while gone for the holidays. Like that's probably why he hasn't made it clear to her what's going on.

RedditRabbitt • 2 points • 7 January, 2021 03:44 AM

Just send it from reddit!

Revy_Ur_Engines • 17 points • 5 January, 2021 10:39 PM

Textbook lvm. Boy bye □ ♀ □ □

verhoodled_chicken • 15 points • 6 January, 2021 03:20 AM

They want the perks of a relationship without having to put in the effort for one!

laylamiller • 8 points • 6 January, 2021 10:17 AM

Relationships only take effort if you're immature and selfish.

ermadelsol • 13 points • 5 January, 2021 11:20 PM

Hahaha this is a work of art

Ola_the_Polka • 13 points • 6 January, 2021 12:55 AM

Omfg I'm dealing with this exact situation right now. I'm heartbroken, but I walked away and blocked his number.

He's a specialist doctor in his mid 30s like WOT?? I was banking on you having atleast SOME emotional intelligence and interpersonal communication skills □ □

pascalines • 8 points • 6 January, 2021 11:05 PM

Oh no girl. I've dated a 35 year old emergency medicine attending, a machine learning engineer at Google, an M&A corporate lawyer, they were all dumb as fuck actually. Skilled in 1 career thing ONLY and idiot children in all other aspects, tragic.

mysecret diary2 • 13 points • 6 January, 2021 01:13 AM

Can confirm if they want a relationship they'll make it clear very soon.

iamwildflowers • 12 points • 5 January, 2021 09:52 PM

Omg this made my day ☐☐

leiimoo78 • 12 points • 6 January, 2021 12:57 AM

This reminds me of when a dude asked me what I thought about a half way open friends with benefits . Where only he could be interested and mingle with other people . I quickly said: "no not into that."

One_Olive_8933 • 12 points • 6 January, 2021 03:51 AM

My last relationship in a nutshell. Hilarious now... emotionally taxing and painful at the time -10/10 would not recommend.

rth132 • 9 points • 6 January, 2021 05:11 AM

Recently talking to a guy like this he always deflects the question makes me feel like im in limbo ☐

Squid wrd_Tortellini • 17 points • 6 January, 2021 04:34 AM

these scrotes really are 32 years old being sadistic and toxic to women cause they're still trying to get back at their 4th grade "girlfriend" for "cheating on them" AKA holding another boy's hand on the school bus

lessadessa • 9 points • 5 January, 2021 11:46 PM

Omg I busted out laughing...

onceuponasea • 6 points • 6 January, 2021 12:27 AM

If you have to ask and explain to him that he needs to move from the past, just go. It won't worth it.

livelyfire4 • 6 points • 6 January, 2021 01:41 AM

☐☐☐ this was so creative

spicyspa • 7 points • 6 January, 2021 02:57 AM

Hold your head still. I'm going to try that next time. If only for kicks.

gummmmybean • 8 points • 6 January, 2021 03:40 AM

LMAO

spicyspa • 7 points • 6 January, 2021 02:52 AM

So true

clairemaffeis • 9 points • 6 January, 2021 06:24 AM

And they say women aren't funny. This is comedy gold. ☐☐☐

[deleted] • 2 points • 6 January, 2021 12:29 AM

This is priceless.

throwawayproperty127 • 2 points • 7 January, 2021 01:32 AM

Also I don't think men have always been like this...it's a new thing stemming from sex positivity and hook up cultures. Back in the day the only time a man could wet his Willy was to get married! There was prostitution and cheating with mistresses still but it was way more ostracized and harder to back then than now...so if a man wanted consistent sex he had to be a provider and had to be committed to a marriage. Now men don't need to have any redeemable qualities or any commitment to get pussy thrown at them.

Levelupmama • 2 points • 7 January, 2021 04:10 PM

The accuracy.

andyyrah • 1 point • 6 January, 2021 11:30 PM

They want all the benefits of a relationship without staying loyal