

What should you do if your female boss asks (in a professional or indirect way) if you have a girlfriend/wife, but you don't have either? I've had female bosses who literally say they think guys with girlfriends/wives are better employees/managers.

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CainPrice • 183 points • 26 November, 2018 04:26 PM

Just be polite. Say "Girlfriend. We're not married yet." That's not technically a lie. You're having sex with someone, right? Your boss doesn't need to know it's casual. It's not her business. And saying it that way makes it sound like you're a serious, mature guy versus a party guy.

This isn't a female boss thing. Male bosses think the same thing. Married men with kids are more reliable employees.

Guys who don't work in management and aren't married might think that single guys with no families or personal lives are preferable because they'll work insane hours on account of having nothing better going on, but single guys are actually some of the worst employees. Yeah, not all of them. Some are great. But if you want the best odds, married guys with kids are better employees.

Women face similar problems in the professional world. If not worse ones. A married woman out of school in her 20s? I assume she's going to be pregnant any minute now and vanish on me. A young mother? I assume she's going to be calling in once a week with a sick kid and asking for special hours for child stuff. Single women are a better bet, but a lot of them are flaky, too.

If I had only one type of candidate I could pick from, it would be married men. They're your best odds.

vicious_armbar 1 points 26 November, 2018 04:53 PM* **[recovered]**

He's right. Married men with kids are enslaved to their families. They can't afford to quit if they're being treated unfairly. Nor can they save up and quit on a whim to work on a personal project, or travel Europe for a few months. Making them much better peasants. Or "more reliable" in boss speak.

Just lie and say you're engaged. Or if you want to be more serious about it wear a fake wedding ring.

Alternatively if you don't care about your job too much you could fuck with your boss by saying: *"Are you hitting on me?! This conversation is making me uncomfortable. Kindly don't ask about my personal life again."*

[deleted] • 30 points • 26 November, 2018 05:09 PM

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kril89 • 30 points • 26 November, 2018 05:36 PM

Fuck it just tell them you're gay

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 29 November, 2018 03:08 PM* **[recovered]**

Engaged? Is it really that much better than just saying "not married yet"? I feel like engaged could mean that a few years down the road the boss or whatever might ask if you're married yet. It would be weird to say "no" at that point.

FatGirlsInPartyHats 1 points 26 November, 2018 04:50 PM* **[recovered]**

This guy manages.

Single married men are the backbone of the economy and for good reason. I even recommend wearing a

wedding ring to most job interviews.

[deleted] • 21 points • 26 November, 2018 05:42 PM

I used to wear a wedding ring an sales calls all the time when I was in my mid twenties.

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 29 November, 2018 03:09 PM* **[recovered]**

And now you don't because?

[deleted] • 1 point • 29 November, 2018 06:35 PM

I still do. I'm just actually married now. I used to just wear it for sales calls.

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 26 November, 2018 04:59 PM* **[recovered]**

What if someone asks if you're married? Or if there's a company function and they ask where your wife is?

whatdidshewrite • 14 points • 26 November, 2018 05:05 PM

I'd just lie. AFAIK they can't fire you because you lied about being married, and I doubt they'd care enough to

DefinitelyNotaCoder • 28 points • 26 November, 2018 05:45 PM

Idk, if anyone should go through this trouble. If you're talented and have worked on your technical skills and social skills, it shouldn't even matter. There are other ways of being and appearing mature and reliable.

2comment • 7 points • 26 November, 2018 10:32 PM

It's not a lie. "I'm married."

If you absolutely need to clarify later, "Oh, I meant to my work."

charlo100 1 points 26 November, 2018 11:50 PM **[recovered]**

Single married men..?

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 29 November, 2018 03:09 PM* **[recovered]**

What do you say about wearing a wedding ring every day on the job?

Smubii • 1 point • 26 November, 2018 11:43 PM

This guy beats dead horses

OfficerWade • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 01:34 AM

So Jordan Peterson was right about monogamy being the best case scenario for men.....

kri189 • 17 points • 26 November, 2018 05:05 PM

I'm single with no kids. I know I'm the exception to the rule for this but I work 7 days a week. I say well I'll work all the overtime I can. I've got no kids, no wife/girlfriend so I might as well be making money.

CainPrice • 28 points • 26 November, 2018 05:22 PM

Yeah. For every one of you, there's an unreliable loser with poor work ethic, nothing to lose, and no

reason to work his ass off.

It's great to find a single guy with nothing to live for except work, but not worth weeding through the losers to get there.

Plus, a single guy with great work ethic will either burn out in a few months after maintaining an unsustainable pace, or move on to a new company in a year. A single guy can pack up and move to another state for a better opportunity without a care in the world.

kril89 • 26 points • 26 November, 2018 05:29 PM

Well everyone should be changing jobs every 5 years anyways or else you'll be making way less than you should be. You are worth most to a new company. It doesn't pay to be a company man anymore.

<https://www.fastcompany.com/3055035/you-should-plan-on-switching-jobs-every-three-years-for-the-rest-of-your->

Auvergnat • 19 points • 26 November, 2018 07:28 PM*

Do you understand his point?

You're such a great employee, single and working your ass off, that you're very likely to defect to the competition or start your own business in the next three years. Nothing holds you back.

While married men are more often chained to their job: he has a mortgage to pay, a college fund to build for his kids, and can't move away (because her wife's mother live here or the kids love their school, or wifey won't leave her friends), he is way more likely to stay put at this job.

If you were an employer looking to fill a position, would you choose one that will work hard and quickly move to the competition after you've trained him, or one who will keep growing in the company?

masterpiece00 • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 07:02 AM

Unreliable loser? I think you mean unreliable self-aware slave.

Businesses and jobs can let you go at any moment, zero loyalty. Why work like a work horse expending all your creativity and life force for a job that doesn't care for you one iota.

CainPrice • 3 points • 27 November, 2018 02:14 PM

Typically, an employee needs his employer far more than his employer needs him. The company isn't going to close its doors if one of its cubicle workers is habitually late and does shoddy work, but that cubicle worker is going to struggle if he gets fired.

The employer is a big, rich company. The unreliable employee with poor work ethic is one insignificant man with entry-level skills. The company is -supposed- to have the power in this relationship. It's a successful company. The worker is some self-righteous dweeb who thinks he's too important to waste time and energy on this silly little job? Shit-can him.

masterpiece00 • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 03:29 PM

Spoken like a true wage slave.

jm51 • 4 points • 26 November, 2018 11:11 PM

if you want the best odds, married guys with kids are better employees.

I saw a show about work in the 50s. When choosing someone for an executive promotion, some big

companies also interviewed the guys wife. Usually over dinner. Priority went to guys who had a spendy wife. Not too spendy, just a few points more than he earned. Her spending would keep his nose to the grindstone.

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 29 November, 2018 03:12 PM* [recovered]

How would they know how spendy she is?

jm51 • 1 point • 29 November, 2018 08:10 PM

I assume that the decision maker would invite the prospect and his wife to dinner. With the expectation of a return invite.

Sees the prospects home and furnishings, plus how his wife dresses. Talks about vacations and schooling etc. Not hard to estimate the spending compared to his income.

ChadTheWaiter100 • 5 points • 26 November, 2018 07:04 PM

Hello bredda. How was your thanks giving?

CainPrice • 5 points • 26 November, 2018 08:26 PM

Good. Hotel had a decent gym and pool. Got to see the parents. Got to cook a big-ass turkey. Got to eat a big-ass turkey. Got to take a big-ass shit.

ChadTheWaiter100 • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 08:28 PM

Inkredible bredda? Did you get to fuck any throwback pussy from your hometown?

CainPrice • 4 points • 26 November, 2018 08:33 PM

Nah. Brought my girlfriend. I'm nearly 40. Too old to be trying to find people I went to high school with.

ChadTheWaiter100 • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 08:38 PM

Holy shit bredda. I did not realize you were that old. I thought maybe mid to late 30s.

It's not difficult to find hs people if you're on Facebook. A lot of them come home for winter breaks. But I digress.

Praecipuus • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 06:05 AM

Also single guys have usually way less expenses, no-one relying on their income and good savings. That makes them more likely to leave in the face of adversity.

CainPrice • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 02:18 PM

Definitely. A single guy can live in an efficiency apartment, buy a gym membership and a cheap cell phone, eat lean protein and carbs, and save two thirds of his salary in the bank. Give that guy a wife and suddenly he has a mortgage on a 3000 square foot home in suburbia, a car payment on his wife's SUV, private school for the kids, cable so they can have the cartoon network on Saturdays, and every five minutes, his wife is on Amazon buying something they don't actually need. Even if his wife works too, being a family man is costing him a crapton that he'd never spend on his own. On his own, it's modest rent, food, gym membership, and the cheapest cell phone plan out there, bank thousands of dollars a month. With a family, it's spend spend spend and hopefully not dip into the savings account this month.

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 29 November, 2018 03:06 PM* [recovered]

Would you recommend wearing a ring to work? The other comments imply this is a good idea, as people assume you are mature and committed in more ways than one and etc.

CainPrice • 1 point • 29 November, 2018 03:09 PM

There's no need to lie. Eventually, the fact that you're not actually married will come out when you have no wife to bring to company functions. And many employers take serious issue with dishonesty in their employees.

Talinor09 • 37 points • 26 November, 2018 06:02 PM

“Well actually, i’ve just started seeing someone”

We met at a friends bbq etc.

Women gush at stories of “new love”, provides them hope

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 26 November, 2018 06:24 PM* [recovered]

That’s a very keen insight. Some people would say it’s better to hint at a long-term relationship by wearing a wedding band on that first impression. Are you saying your method is preferable?

Talinor09 • 16 points • 26 November, 2018 06:30 PM

Try it. Probably more receptive to women than men.

Ironically i’ve found middle married aged men unimpressed by a young guy who dates up a storm. They see it as a sign of failure. Probably because it runs contrary to their blue pill model of life

qwertyuiop111222 • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 01:40 AM

unimpressed by a young guy who *dates up a storm*.

What does that expression mean?

GayLubeOil • 17 points • 26 November, 2018 07:20 PM

Guys with girlfriends and wives are better managers (of women) because they have tons of practice dealing with female nonsense.

So don't put that comment in the Reverse Sexism MRA Box of sadness and unfairness

helaughsinhidden • 14 points • 26 November, 2018 07:15 PM

It's illegal to ask about marital status or sexual orientation in an interview process. This violates the law in two separate ways.

boy_named_su • 16 points • 26 November, 2018 07:37 PM

Get a male boss

Andgelyo • 15 points • 26 November, 2018 08:13 PM

This. Female bosses are irrational, emotional, and terrible at management positions. They simply are not capable. Even my female patients have told me that the reason why management at my workplace sucks is because of my female supervisor. Female bosses should not be up in the chain. Sounds sexist, but it’s facts.

bluechipmonk • 10 points • 26 November, 2018 05:45 PM

"Men are better employees/managers than female ones"

Ivabighairy1 • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 08:44 PM

Knee jerk reaction is to tell you to get out of there.

Ex-sister in law ... notice the word EX? Worked in an office and her higher up, a female, told her if she wanted to move up the ladder she needed to get a divorce.

Don't think I have to tell you what that did to my nieces when the divorce went down.

Find a place with "secure" men in the higher positions and by secure I mean men that aren't worried about trivial things that are of no consequence.

Your work should be the only thing that matters, not some goofy rule or generalization.

So yea, Get out now!

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"It's complicated."

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 26 November, 2018 06:26 PM* **[recovered]**

What do you say to the people who think that sounds like you're having relationship problems?

TFWnoLTR • 4 points • 27 November, 2018 12:32 AM

Its complicated, but stable.

Auvergnat • 2 points • 26 November, 2018 07:33 PM

Someone knows his Roissy well.

[deleted] • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 07:48 PM

Roissy

Didn't know about this man, man. Thank you.

Auvergnat • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 10:16 PM

You're welcome. Ah rational wiki.. the good old bastion of leftist thinking adopting the cloak of Wikipedia to hide its bias. I recommend to you, dear hater, the "we hunted the mammoth" blog. You'll find there a lot more instances of biased reports on evil manosphere thought-leaders that you may not know about yet.

For everyone else, check for yourself actual material in context.

First, the timeless 16 commandments of poon, IMO the single most practical essay on Game ever written: <https://heartiste.wordpress.com/the-sixteen-commandments-of-poon/>

And then the compilation of the Roissy reader: <https://www.rooshvforum.com/thread-42283.html>

[deleted] • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 05:27 AM

You misinterpret my comment, sir. I'm no hater. Neither do I adhere to leftist ideology.

This is the first time I've come across Chateau Heartiste and I read the 16 commandments after you said the word "Roissy".

Thank you for the link to the compilation. Cheers.

ACE-JHN • 1 point • 26 November, 2018 05:36 PM

I've used this and it works like a charm

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 26 November, 2018 06:25 PM* [recovered]

How so?

ACE-JHN • 8 points • 26 November, 2018 06:27 PM

Manager was tryna set me up with her sister, and she asked me if I was seeing anyone so I told her "yeah, it's complicated"

W_O_M_B_A_T • 20 points • 26 November, 2018 04:31 PM

It's inappropriate, and she bloody well knows it.

Trying to game your female boss is on the list of all-time bad ideas.

Hold your frame and Pressure Flip.

"Is that question related to my job performance?"

If she says "yes" ask her exactly how it relates.

If necessary tell her: "Respectfully, I'm not interested in discussing non- professional matters. Is there anything else I can do for you."

ChadTheWaiter100 • 20 points • 26 November, 2018 07:08 PM

99999 times out of 100000 she would not say yes unless she is retarded af

Ivabighairy1 • 7 points • 26 November, 2018 08:52 PM

This is one reason I always thought that having a hobby you could make money off of is a good idea. If things go south and you get fired. You don't even have to put it down on your resume. Just say you were doing said hobby and it got to the point you were losing your enjoyment for it so decided to re-join the work force.

squishles • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 09:26 PM*

I've heard others say that; she's right. The being locked down and stable makes for a good manager. Company goes down or you get fired; you have something to lose. Having to go find another job means moving your family, and stressing out if your savings are going to burn out.

Know what my unmarried ass does if I lose a job; go find a new apartment, maybe take a months off(I start getting the jitters after that, but savings could take me 2-3 years to go through longer if I actually change my lifestyle), and accept my 20-30% pay raise. Having no fucks to give works for you not for a business.

Wolosocu • 2 points • 26 November, 2018 09:09 PM

Somewhat related: I always wear a wedding ring when going on job interviews, for this very reason. I've never been asked directly if I was married/single.

NewNombreWhoDis 1 points 27 November, 2018 03:58 AM* [recovered]

Lmaooo are you actually married?

Wolosocu • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 04:07 AM

Nope

[deleted] • 2 points • 27 November, 2018 01:33 AM

Lie. I mean, if you want to achieve success in this life without lying once, you gonna have a hard time.

cringeworthycomment • 1 point • 26 November, 2018 10:10 PM

"With all due respect, I'm not discussing my personal life."

ayylma088 • 1 point • 27 November, 2018 02:19 PM

You say: yes, many

binrobinro • 1 point • 26 November, 2018 09:00 PM

"I leave my personal life at home."

MrBowlfish • -8 points • 26 November, 2018 04:22 PM

"Yes, several".

[deleted] • 19 points • 26 November, 2018 04:43 PM

Don't say this, you should never run player douchebag game (or any type of game for that matter) on your employer.

xddm2653 • 10 points • 26 November, 2018 04:55 PM

lmao "You trying to apply?"

and several other bad responses

MrBowlfish • -5 points • 26 November, 2018 04:56 PM

Yes, go back to sleep, sheep.

Eldudearino89 • 1 point • 26 November, 2018 04:54 PM

Haha. Honestly everyone at work knows I don't have anything serious going on, and then again they don't care. But I work in the deaf community not many people give a shit.

c4toyourdoornobeef • 5 points • 26 November, 2018 04:55 PM

neither do they hear shit

Eldudearino89 • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 05:00 PM

Right, but they read people very well...

HurricaneHugues • -4 points • 26 November, 2018 04:54 PM

"That's not for you to be concerned with" or "I don't see how this is work related"

Fun2badult • 17 points • 26 November, 2018 04:57 PM

Yea start giving attitude and see how far that gets you

HurricaneHugues • 3 points • 26 November, 2018 05:01 PM

Your boss is not your master. They don't need to know about your personal life. You can always report it

to HR. You are not obligated to tell them anything. Imagine a male boss asking a female employee if she's seeing anyone.