

Getting tired of mashed potatoes every night in an LTR.

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So I've been thinking back about my divorce, and my ex wife, and how we got here. Now that I'm back on the market I'm loving it and wouldn't want to be married again. That being said, I don't like being at fault for things, and I feel like there is one thing that contributed to the end of our relationship that was actually my fault. I was tired of having sex with the same person all the time, so I just didn't. I know that sounds outrageous for a man to not want to have sex, but its not that I didn't want to have sex, its just that I didn't want to have sex with the same person I've been having sex with for the better part of the decade. Surely there is somebody else in this position, or who has been in this position before. I don't know that I'm really asking for advice because its all over with and I'm a lot happier now (that was far from the only problem in the marriage) but I guess it's just more of an open discussion, about what happened and maybe even how you handled in future LTR's.

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max_peenor • 23 points • 23 March, 2017 05:26 PM

I don't like being at fault for things

Well, then you are fucked, because nothing is ever a woman's fault.

salezman12[S] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 05:31 PM

Touche'

spaseur • 1 point • 24 March, 2017 06:05 PM

touché

Willow-girl • 6 points • 23 March, 2017 05:32 PM

Now that I'm back on the market I'm loving it and wouldn't want to be married again.

So don't be! Really not seeing the problem here ...

salezman12[S] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 05:36 PM

Well like I said, it's just more of an open discussion than asking anyone to help me solve a problem.

Luis_McLovin • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 06:25 PM

what is this discussion about? this is AskTRP not the main sub.

quicklogaccount • 3 points • 23 March, 2017 04:50 PM

Man, we've know for a while that sex isn't nearly enough to keep a relationship together. This isn't even RP novelty.

Monogamy is actually anguishing for both sides, it's not the optimal strategy for either. You need pretty strong reasons to embrace it, not just going from scarcity to presence of sex.

abdada • 5 points • 23 March, 2017 04:51 PM

There's no answer.

I spun plates excellently in my teens, 20s and 30s. Now in my 40s, but still with a high sex drive, it's just too time consuming to deal with. I know if my LTR at the moment fails me, there's a pack of women who want to be next in line, but actively spinning them as plates would just be a waste of my time, so I don't.

If you have a high sex drive and get bored easily, just spin plates and put up with the extra time involved to do it well.

If you don't want to spin plates, join a band and sleep with a different groupie every night if you want to.

htbf • 3 points • 23 March, 2017 05:30 PM

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Is it realistic to pick up an instrument in your late 20s ? Like, shouldn't you be focused on making bank with the skills you acquired so far instead of investing time and energy and money in something completely new ?

abdada • 2 points • 23 March, 2017 05:34 PM

You don't need skills to be in a band. You can acquire them while being in a band. Showmanship > talent.

Peter Buck from REM didn't learn to play guitar until his 20s at some point.

Leonard Cohen released his first album at 34 or so.

vandaalen • 3 points • 23 March, 2017 06:08 PM

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And the Internet puts no limitations on you. You could become a pop star at the age of 60 today if you play it right.

abdada • 4 points • 23 March, 2017 06:14 PM

Yep. I was in a band in my teen years and to be honest I am horrible at singing and playing an instrument. But I was pretty popular for the 7 months I was on stage. I used to puke from nervousness right before every show in the basement of a church youth center. I still did it.

In my 30s, it just so happens that one of my old high school band mates was in a relatively popular band -- nothing too crazy or popular, but popular enough. I got invited to a show and went with a plate and her best friend (I actually wanted a group date, lol) and the band guy invited me on stage to do a song from 20 years earlier. I can't believe I remembered the lyrics and riffs but I did it, didn't puke, and walked off 5 minutes later to not one but 10 women hot for me. Girls 10 years younger than me were offering me drinks and sidling up to me.

Last summer I was on a cruise ship all by myself and one of the Jamaican band members remembered me from a decade earlier doing a Jamaican song karaoke style. I can't even remember that happening but he was right because I know the song. So he invites me to sing with him and his band on the lido deck. I nervously took an extra mic and we ended up doing 2 songs together.

Mobbed by cute women after that for the rest of the cruise.

Seriously, just fucking get on stage and be a showman. Doesn't matter if you can sing or play guitar, JUST FUCKING DO IT. 99% of guys can't because they're pussies.

Hell, I am a pussy too. I barely can get on there and perform, but I do it sometimes and it proves a point. Imagine if I put myself into trying to do it regularly. I can't imagine the SMV boost.

vandaalen • 3 points • 23 March, 2017 06:48 PM

The Sex Pistols should be a lesson on this for everybody.

abdada • 3 points • 23 March, 2017 06:53 PM

I'd say that was part of what gave me the urge to perform at 14 or 15. Johnny Rotten was repulsive, untalented at performing and really never sober but he had showmanship.

Around 1989 or so there was actually a Chicago Tribune (IIRC?) article on Johnny that I read as a teenager and said "holy shit." Got me to buy tickets to that show where I also saw New Order and some other band (Bjork maybe?) and it really changed my ideals of what a rock star was. Just get ugly people on stage playing pre-recorded digital keyboards and scream over the tunes and drunk teenagers would love you.

FieldLine • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:43 PM

So I play the piano. I'm really, really great at it, too.

Suppose I'm at a bar where there "happens" to be a piano - how do I sit down and play without coming off as an insecure showoff? I mean, I've done it - hotel lobbies, bars, whatever, even sang while I did it, but I always feel super awkward and never know where to look or go after, even if I do get a round of applause.

abdada • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:48 PM

On a date or solo? I'd say do it on dates or when you're with friends for sure. Solo, I think it depends on the crowd.

FieldLine • 2 points • 23 March, 2017 08:55 PM

Either. When I'm with friends it's because they egg me on. How would I work it in on a date?

I've also done solo, that's when I feel weird after.

abdada • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 09:02 PM

I guess it depends on you and who you date.

My friend is a pianist by trade (film scores mostly) but doesn't tell anyone about his income so as to stay mysterious. One of his favorite things to do (not planned, just random) on dates if he comes across a piano is to do Disney movie songs with the girls based on their age. Naturally all women know EVERY Disney song from the movies they saw growing up, so they'll sing along with him.

It's a ridiculous tingle maker.

[deleted] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 05:36 PM

Some men are able to lead their women to be "more" or "different" in the bedroom.

Think of it this way - pussy= pussy=pussy.

The only thing that matters is the personality its attached to, how fun you can get that personality to be for you.

Start to accept that the "fault" was yours - either you picked an unsatisfactory woman, or you couldn't lead her where you wanted her. Or both .

WhorehouseVet • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 05:58 PM

Even if you hire a 10/10 escort every night, you will still want to have variety, it's just our nature.

WishingForWhiteness • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 07:36 PM

You have to weigh your values. If you want kids, you're gonna either knock up a variety of women and run all over the place, or get hitched and have a marriage whereby you produce kids.

Write out what you value and map how you can accomplish these things.

salezman12[S] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:20 PM

I definitely DO NOT want kids. I actually really can't stand kids. I am extra careful and always wear a raincoat even when I don't otherwise need to solely because of how much I don't like kids.

Abadalt • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:01 PM

It kind of was your fault.

Truth is, there's no point in an LTR unless it's going somewhere. That usually means kids. Doesn't matter how perfect she is, you'll still get bored. So if you weren't planning on having kids, getting bored/ wanting something new is inevitable.

salezman12[S] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:18 PM

Yea, I actually really really dislike kids and I don't think I ever want any. Not in the foreseeable future anyway.

Abadalt • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:21 PM

Totally Fair. Kids do suck, but it's how kings/ conquerors ensured they had some sort of legacy.

salezman12[S] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 09:07 PM

I have a pretty unpopular view on that. I don't care what happens to anything once I'm gone, including my legacy. I know its selfish, but I just couldn't care less. I'm dead and not bothered by a thing.

TheRedStoic • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:11 PM

You can't negotiate attraction.

Are there no kids? No shared ownership? No shared accounts? Leave.

You're bored, go do right by yourself, (and her) and leave.

As far as future ltrs, that's almost impossible. They'd have to get through about 2 yrs of plate, 2 yrs of date, and 2 yrs of cohabitation for me to pop the question. And that's if there's no glaring red flags by my account and I still have my money, access, and power.

salezman12[S] • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 08:18 PM

Nah no kids, and its already done. I suppose you're right about moving forward though. I don't hate the idea of EVENTUALLY finding a good woman to settle down in theory, but I know I'll just get bored (and fat) again.

Solidgame • 1 point • 23 March, 2017 10:59 PM

That's called the coolridge effect and we're not the only mammals experiencing it