

# DATING

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As freshmen, and with school dances coming up, this is a time in your life that some of you may take a girl on a date.

## How to treat a woman on a date:

1. Dress well. Pants at your waist.
2. Be on time.
3. Go inside and talk to her parents; establish a curfew. (Say "Yes Sir" and "Yes Ma'am.")
4. Help her put her coat on. If she doesn't have a coat, and it is cold, let her wear yours.
5. Open all doors for her.
6. Take her to a nice restaurant, pull out her chair for her, and pay.
7. Look her in the eyes and listen to her. (No headphones. No texting.)
8. Treat her with respect and honor. (Pretend as if her father is there with you).
9. After the date. Get her home on time; walk her to the door and make sure she makes it home safely.
10. Thank her parents for letting you take their daughter on a date.

You are looking for a classy, caring, and honest girl; and a classy, caring, and honest girl will never go on more than one date with a person who does not treat her with respect and honor.

Now that you know some tips for going on a date, here is something that you need to understand. There is a proper order to relationships with women. First you date. Now I don't mean go to the movies and make out. I mean really date. Go on walks. Talk. Spend time together. Years and years down the road, after you have dated for a long time, then you get engaged. After you get her father's permission, get down on one knee (getting down on one knee is important); give her a ring, and ask her to marry you. Thirdly, after you have been engaged, then you get married. Now here comes the important part. Pay close attention. After you have done all of those things, then you move in together. Don't move in together before you get married. It makes things harder. Don't take my word for it. Here is an excerpt from an article published in The New York Times in April 2012, written by clinical psychologist Meg Jay:

"Couples who cohabit before marriage (and especially before an engagement or an otherwise clear commitment) tend to be less satisfied with their marriages, and are more likely to divorce, than couples who do not."

Here is another important part. Only have kids after you are married. According to the CDC, 329,797 babies were born to women aged 15-19 in 2011. Half of teen mothers drop out of high school.

When you take a girl on a date, follow the ten steps. As you get older and the relationship becomes more serious, remember there is a proper order. Following this order will ensure that her goals and your goals are achieved.

QUOTE: *"If you are looking for the perfect girl, start by not ruining her perfection."* –Unknown

### **OBSERVATION**

- 1) How should you talk to her parents?
- 2) Who should you pretend is on the date with you?
- 3) What three words should describe the girl you date?
- 4) When does the chance for divorce increase?

### **APPLICATION**

- 1) What is your purpose in dating someone?
- 2) What qualities should you look for in a girl?
- 3) There is a chance you have never even met the person you will one day marry. How do you hope your future wife is acting since you have probably not met her yet?

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Less than two percent of all new marriages are a result of a high school relationship. Of people who do marry their high school sweetheart, only 19% make it to college, and less than two percent of those actually finish college ([professorshouse.com](http://professorshouse.com)).