

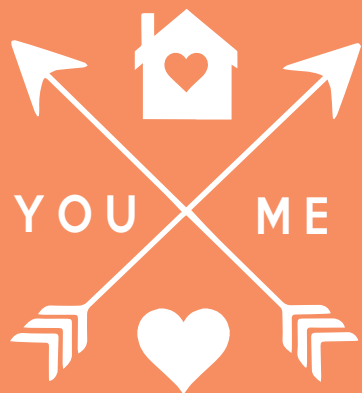


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QUESTIONS
TO ASK
before marriage

FROM THE DATING DIVAS



our future family

Do you want to have kids? If yes, how many?

How long after getting married would you want to wait to have children?

If we were unable to have children naturally, is adoption an option?

If we were unable to have kids naturally, are we willing to do fertility treatments?

What kind of parent do you want to be?

How do you plan to discipline your children?

What do you believe is the best method for raising children?

Will one of you stay home with the children or would you use child care?

Do you believe higher education is important for your children?

Do you anticipate raising our children (a) the same way you were raised (b) completely different from the way you were raised (c) a mixture of both?

What family traditions would you like to have in your home?

How do you feel about having guns in your home?

What is your relationship with your future in-laws?

How do you plan to split holidays with each other's families?

How often should you visit in-laws?

Do you have any concerns about any of my family members?

Do you hope to live close to family or away?

What did you admire about the way your mother and father treated each other?

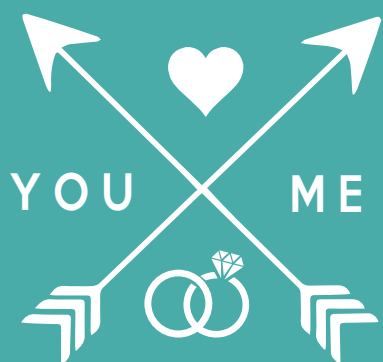
Do you want to have pets in your home? If so what kind?

Where do you plan to live?

Where do you not want to live?

How do you feel about immunizing your children?

*A house is made of walls and beams.
A home is made of love and dreams.*



expectations

in our marriage

How do you plan to divide up the household chores?

Are household duties dependent on the gender of the person?

Do you believe a married couple should do everything together?

How do you feel about maintaining relationships with other friends?

How do you feel about having relationships with friends of the opposite sex?

Do you need or want time alone?

Once married, do you expect your spouse to express their love daily?

What are your expectations for each of your roles in marriage?

What do you, as a couple, picture the ideal marriage to be?

What type of relationship do you hope your spouse to have with your family?

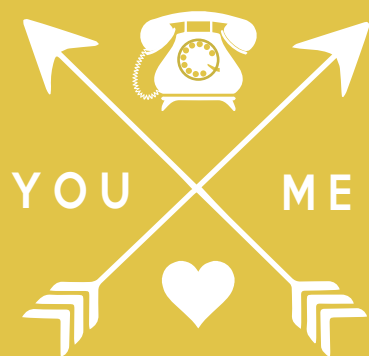
What type of relationship do you hope your spouse to have with your friends?

What are your short-term goals?

What are your long-term goals?

*“The goal of marriage is not to think
alike, but to think together.”*

-ROBERT C. DODDS-



communication and conflict *in our marriage*

Do you feel you could communicate with me under any circumstance and about any subject?

How do you respond to conflict? Do you avoid it? Does it intimidate you? Do you fight fair? Do you yell? Do you intimidate? Do you withdraw?

When there is a dispute in our marriage, how should the conflict get resolved?

What, if any, would be cause for a divorce?

What is unacceptable in marriage - no matter what?

What do you consider "abuse"?

How do you communicate love?

What makes you feel loved?

Do you have a hard time saying sorry?

What makes an apology feel sincere to you?

How do you express anger?

What triggers your anger?

How do you expect your spouse to express anger?

At what point should mediation be used in a marital conflict?

When you are in a bad mood, how would you like me to handle it?

Who, if anyone, would be a confidant outside your marriage to talk to about any problems?

Who should know about the arguments we have?

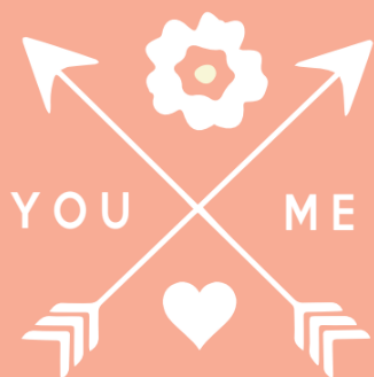
How do you respond to stress?

What helps you destress?

How do you respond to grief?

What embarrasses you?

"The way we communicate with others and with ourselves ultimately determines the quality of our lives." -ANTHONY ROBBINS



spirituality

in our marriage

Is there a certain religion you profess to?

Will religion play a part in raising your children?

Do you share a common belief? If no, how important are those beliefs to who you are?

What do you believe is the purpose of life?

Would you support your spouse in their service to their church?

Do you believe in prayer? If yes, do you hope to pray together as a couple?

Do you expect to go to church each week?

Where do you want to be married?

Is it important who marries us?

If your faiths are different, how will you raise your children?

*“The greatest marriages are built on teamwork.
A mutual respect, a healthy dose of admiration,
and a never-ending portion of love and grace.”*

-FAWN WEAVER-



general

questions for our marriage

Why do you want to get married to each other?

Why have you chosen me for your future spouse?

How long should you be engaged?

What are you most worried about in regard to getting married?

What are your top priorities in life?

Do you have any health problems I should know about?

Do you have any psychological problems I should know about?

What are your political views?

Are there political issues that you are passionate about?

Is there anyone opposed to our marriage? If so, why?

How important are physical looks to you?

Is there anything that I should know about you that I don't know about you?

Do you have any unresolved issues from past relationships?

Have you ever been involved in criminal activity? If so, what?

Are there any hobbies that you engage in that are time consuming?

You come to love not by finding the perfect person, but by seeing an imperfect person perfectly.



intimacy

in our marriage

What are your views on fidelity?

What do you consider as "cheating" in a marriage?

What does "commitment" mean to you?

How do we show love to each other?

How often do you expect sexual intimacy?

If I were to gain weight, would it affect our sexual relationship?

If physical attraction were eliminated, what would be left in our relationship?

What are your views on pornography?

Do you have a history with pornography?

Who should initiate marital intimacy?

How often do you think we should say "I love you" to each other?

What would you need to feel wanted and needed sexually?

What turns you on sexually?

What turns you off sexually?

What boundaries do you have when it comes to sexual intimacy?

How will you deal with one partner wanting it and the other not?

How do you feel about showing affection (kissing, holding hands etc.) in public?

*Nothing is sexier than someone
who wants you just as much as you
want them.*



our future finances

Are you a saver or a spender when it comes to money?

How much, combined, will we make annually?

Together, how much do you owe in debts?

Together, how many assets do we have?

What are our financial goals?

Who should be in charge of paying the bills?

What are your career goals?

How do you plan to achieve your career goals?

How much time do you spend at work?

How much time is too much time to spend at work?

How much, combined, do we have in savings?

How much do you think we should have in savings?

How should money be budgeted in our marriage?

Would you want to have joint banking accounts or separate?

Do you plan to rent or buy?

Do you plan to invest in properties, stocks or bonds?

Are you a risk-taker when it comes to investments?

When is it acceptable to use credit cards?

How often do you use credit cards?

What is your credit score like?

What is your definition of wealth?

How important is money to you?

What justifies going into debt?

How should we prepare for a financial emergency?

How do you feel about creating a budget before we are married?

Do you live by a budget now?

Do we have health insurance?

What are your retirement plans?

Do either of us need to pay alimony or child support?

Where do you currently spend most of your money?

Which items do you view as necessary to have vs. nice to have?

Is it important to you to have a certain standard of living?

Do you like to gamble?

Do you plan to give to charity on a regular basis?

What is your work history? Have you been able to maintain a job for a long period of time?

*Don't tell me where your priorities are. Show me
where you spend your money & I will tell you
what they are.*