

Opinion

How to recognize a jerk...your ticket to heartache

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You've all seen them. They're cool, they're confident, and they all have one thing in common...they're jerks!

The first thing to be on the lookout for is the guy that is still growing up. This is the one who tells you he loves you and wants to marry you...on your second date!

The second sign of a jerk is the "I can't get enough of you" syndrome. Coming to your house every day and keeping your telephone lines hot, this guy can't go a minute without your presence.

Another way to recognize a jerk is to look for the guy who thinks he's "tool cool." You know, the macho male who can't pass a mirror without stopping to look admiringly at himself or is constantly fixing his hair in his rear-view mirror.

boasts to all of his friends about the last girl he "dissed" (although he is the one who got dumped!) his new car phone, and his Rolex watch.

Now it is time to examine the guy who "doesn't know what he wants." Although you've been seeing each other exclusively for the past six months, he still claims he is not ready for a steady relationship.

There is one more jerk you need to be able to recognize. This guy calls you every night, comes to see you, sends you cards and flowers, and even makes an unsuccessful attempt to get you to go steady with him.

Having heard several different descriptions of jerks, you should now be able to recognize and defeat them. Some of you may have already run into one or more of the above types of guys.

Replicas of Revolutionary War flags on display in rotunda

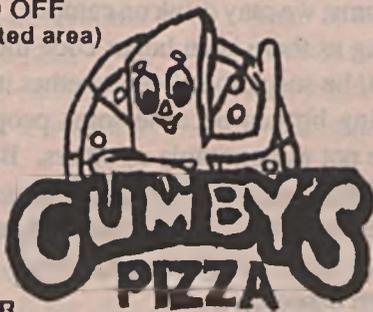
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