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How to make true love last in college | Seven places to find

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Making a relationship work is always difficult. During the college years, it is especially hard to find that special someone with so many new and exciting things to experience. Here's how to make that true love last.

First things first, remember to take things slow. You shouldn't jump into a relationship until you know for sure that you're ready to commit. While in college, there are many opportunities to date. Make sure that you get the dating game out of your system before you settle down.

Next, when you decide to date, try to get along with each other's friends. It'll be much easier in the long run if you can all hang out in a group. Warning: Don't give up your friends for his/hers. You both still need your own space, and friends are a great outlet.

When you start dating do things you both enjoy. Even if you don't have a whole lot in common, there are still things you can do together. Try watching a movie that you both like. If one enjoys horror films and the other likes chick flicks, compromise on a comedy. Don't let things get boring once you start getting serious. If you're out in public make small gestures to let your significant

other know you care. Whisper a secret in, hold hands and just smile. Make sure he or she is aware that you enjoy his or her company. Another helpful hint is to pay attention when talking on the phone. Men don't normally enjoy phone conversations so when

they do talk to on the phone - listen up, ladies! Until you're absolutely sure that you're going to spend the rest of your life with you partner, do not tell them everything. Even if it makes you feel better to talk, some things can be left unsaid. If you have too many problems, your significant other

Try not to be a jealous girlfriend/boyfriend. Don't worry if your significant other is a flirt. Some people love the attention they get from harmless flirting. More than likely, they are just doing it for fun. Remember, they are dating you and only you.

Never forget to have trust in a relationship. If you don't have trust, the relationship will be uncomfortable. Neither one of you will be able to go out with your friends and have a good time without worrying what the other one thinks. Without trust, the relationship will go nowhere.

Tips for expressing your feelings

This one's for the guys! Are you in love and not too sure how to express your feelings to your girlfriend? Well nothing says "I Love You" better than roses. What if you're not quite ready to say those three little words? That's fine...here are some meanings behind all the different kinds of roses so you can find the perfect color to fit what it is you want to say.

> Dark pink- thankfulness (thank you) Light pink- grace, admiration, joy, gentility, friendship Yellow- joy, gladness, friendship **Peach**- admiration, sympathy Coral- fascination, enthusiasm, desire Lavender- enchantment

White- spiritual love, secrecy, silence, purity and innocence Bridal white- happy love

Red-love, passion, respect, courage (I love you) Dark red- unconscious beauty Red and white mix-unity Red, white, pink mix- trinity One single rose- simplicity, gratitude

love on campus

They always say that you find love when you're not looking for it. Here are seven places to look for your "true love" on campus.

1. Library-

If you notice someone searching for a book, help them out! They'll be thankful and impressed that you took the time to help.

> 2. Co-ed gym class-Take a swimming class. Not only will you feel better physically but you also get a chance to look at the opposite sex in their swim suits.

> > 3. Bruno's-

Don't get so caught up eating lunch that you don't know what's going on around you. Survey the area for potential love interests

4. Join a club. Pick a club that interests

you. That way, if do meet someone special, you already have one thing in common.

5. RA programs-

Just think: there are more than 200 people living in the residence halls. Odds are at least one of them will catch your eye.

Think how proud your parents will be if you tell them you met your significant other at church.

7. Class-

Form a study group. Most people enjoy studying in groups and it's a great way to get to know someone better.



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