
How To Marry an Idiot

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It seems many people have marrying an idiot as their goal. The amount of couples getting divorced proves to me that many have already become experts. Sadly, there are still those hold-outs who insist on taking their vow of “till death do us part” seriously even when they get bored with one another or a more interesting/exciting/attractive person comes along.

To those old-fashioned people who care that divorce harms children in drastic, life-altering ways, or who still think difficulties in marriage are worth overcoming rather than throwing in the towel, this article is not for you. You need to get with the times. To the rest of you who wish to join the cultural norm of marrying an idiot and eventually getting divorced only to marry yet another idiot, please keep reading. I will help you find fulfillment.

Here are five steps to get you started:

Continue dating that person whom you’ve already determined you would never want to raise children with or even spend the rest of your life with.

Who cares about Mr. Right or Mrs. Right? Just go with Mr. or Mrs. Right for Now. Time is slipping away! Sure, you could break up with this person, stop wasting time, and go find a much better match, but why take the risk? Do you want to be single for the rest of your life? Ignore that sinking feeling in the pit of your stomach that’s telling you you’re making a huge mistake. You can rationalize away all his or her flaws. Besides, you will certainly be able to change this person into the person you really want him or her to be. People always change, especially those people with serious problems and addictions. They’ll get much better once you’re married. Just wait and see.

Speaking of kids, do *not* speak about kids

As in do you both want them and/or how many? Talking about how you’ll raise them and educate them is a total mood killer. So what if you find out later that one of you wants to homeschool them or send them to a Catholic School while the other insists they’d be better off in public school? Or if one of you wants to protect their innocence, while the other says you ought to throw them to the wolves because it will make them stronger! Sheltering is bad for children. Let them make their own choices, form their own opinions. At least agree that you will not form the consciences of your children, because everyone knows that parents have no responsibilities in teaching their children right from wrong or religious moral values. But in order to marry an idiot, be sure you don’t agree on these issues. Or better yet, don’t discuss them beforehand at all.

Pay no attention to your mom or your best friend who knows you better than anyone when they tell you this person is not right for you.

Yes, they have an objective outside opinion, but you're right and they must be wrong! The warm fuzzies and exciting newness is all you need. It will last FOR EVER. It's all about your emotion. If you feel good being around this person, that's all you need. People who love you who notice real serious flaws in this person just don't get it. They can't possibly be right!

Once you've successfully made it to the point of engagement, largely because you've been together so long everyone just expects it of you, don't you dare take that marriage preparation seriously.

Doodling or checking your Facebook page on your phone is a definite must during marriage preparation day. That FOCCUS Marriage Inventory couple that is trying to help the two of you to focus in on important topics to talk about before you get married know nothing. And that little test they give, but insist isn't really a test, but just a measure of your compatibility is not important. What right do these two people have to question your fitness to marry one another? Their little test is a waste of time. In fact, when the results of the Inventory indicate serious differences between you and your future spouse means its best to ignore these problems until after you get married. Serious red flags concerning your compatibility as a married couple are topics to be avoided at all costs. Can't the priest and marriage inventory couple see how much in love you are? What more do you need? You're totally ready!

And finally and most importantly, you absolutely positively must live together before marriage.

How else will you find out if you're compatible? Clearly, playing house is a good warm up for the real thing. It doesn't in any way mean that you don't fully trust one another to take the plunge. Sure, there are countless studies saying that cohabitation is bad for your marriage, and that you're chances of divorce increase drastically. Yes, the National Marriage Project stated "no positive contribution of cohabitation to marriage has ever been found," but what do they know? You can beat those odds. So what if that's what everyone thinks, they must be clearly wrong? They're not you. You're special. You're different from everyone else. Do what feels right and nothing else matters.

Congratulations, faithful readers. If you have followed these five easy steps, you too can marry an idiot.