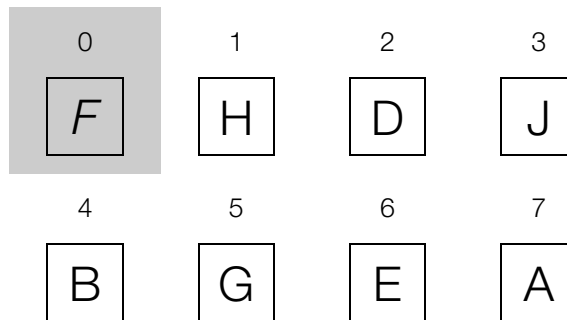


## Korrekturhinweise

It's over, or isn't it?



## Begründungen

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The paragraph is about what happens after breakups and what two people do when they finally go their separate ways. The text says: "They throw out the snapshots and souvenirs, mourn and mope for a while, dig into the ice cream, and sooner or later, resume the search for a suitable mate. The exes never see each other again. Out of sight, eventually out of mind."

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The paragraph elaborates that with using social media a final breakup is not so easy. The text says: "The newly decoupled might not call each other or meet up – that could be too direct – but there are other ways they stay connected. When you have 100 numbers in your cellphone and 700 friends on Facebook, links linger."

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The paragraph is about the face or words of an ex may lingering and popping up unexpectedly on social media sites anytime. The text says: "Deleting an ex's number or clicking 'Unfriend' takes work. Worse, it can feel like salt in a wound. An ex's words and smiles may continue to float across Facebook feeds or pop up in chat windows. It's easy to keep tabs on a former partner. In ways that weren't even imagined before the advent of instant messages and status updates, broken-up partners remain, for better or worse, a part of each other's lives."

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The paragraph is about "soft breakups", which means ways that enable ex-partners to still be in contact with an ex-partner through social media or other online activities. The text says: "By impeding a definitive ending, technology has created what relationship researcher Scott Stanley dubs the 'soft breakup'. 'There are so many easy, cheap ways to stay in contact now,' says Stanley, a professor of psychology at the University of Denver. 'Social media have completely transformed the chances of persistent connection.'"

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The paragraph elaborates on the consequences of so-called "soft breakups". One of them is that a partner might be more willing to end a relationship they no longer believe in if they have the option of a "soft breakup". The text says: "Compared with a wall of silence, a friendly text message here and an email there can take the edge off a breakup. 'The soft breakup gives us a new way of saying 'I don't want to date you, but let's try to be friends,' says Galena Rhoades, a clinical psychologist who frequently collaborates with Stanley on research. 'Having the option to do a soft breakup might motivate people to get out of a relationship they know is a dead end.'"

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The paragraph is about the fact that social media enable us to still be informed about what is going on in an ex-partner's life, which might raise hopes that the relationship could be renewed. The text says: "At a minimum, electronic ties tempt exes to look backward. By offering a perpetual gaze into the lives of former partners, social media platforms enable exes to hang on to hope. Yet every hour spent monitoring an ex is an hour not spent searching for a better match.

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The paragraph is about the worries a new partner may have about exes who still stay in touch electronically. The text says: "Lingering links can also fuel anxiety in a new partner. Rhoades hears clients voice fears of being left for the ex who hovers electronically. Not every concern is so dire, but it's worrisome enough to feel that 'your partner may be sharing things that are not shared with you.'"

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The paragraph elaborates on the fact that the opinion that ex-partners have of us is often still important to us. The text says: "Given the drawbacks of soft breakups, wouldn't it be easier for exes to sever all ties, analog and digital? Often, prior partners are people who merit respect and whose opinions we value. We prefer to think that they view us favorably despite the unhappy ending. 'If we're deleting somebody from our life, chances are the other person is doing the same, and that's uncomfortable,' Rhoades says."