

Married

Age 30 - End Result – Married

Being married when I am 30.

Age 28 - Intermediate End Result #4 – Living Together

If I am going to be married at Age 30 I feel I need to have lived with the other person for a couple of years before getting married. I am a little hesitant to make the long term commitment marriage requires. Thus by the time I turn 28 we need to start living together.

Age 27 - Intermediate End Result #3 – Dating Seriously

Before I would start living with someone I would have to date them seriously for at least a year, thus I would have to start dating them seriously when I turn 27. I hope we have actually been dating seriously longer than one year because moving in together makes it much harder to break up.

Age 26 - Intermediate End Result #2 – Met & Dating Significant Other

Since you don't usually start dating seriously on your first date I would have to have been dating them during the year after I turned 26

Age 22 - Intermediate End Result #1 – Graduate

Graduate from college, get a job and get a social life out in the real world.

Insights

I have placed some constraints on myself: wanting to live together for 2 years before getting married and wanting to date seriously for 1 year before living together. This backs everything up 3 years. But I think this is going to increase our chances of having a successful marriage.

This still gives me four years to meet my future Significant Other. I have four years to have fun dating around. I even have enough time to have serious relationships that don't work out. I figure how else will I know when I have met the right person if I haven't had at least one serious relationship?