

## Dream Date

*A young woman chooses one of three men for her date on a dating game show.*

**Host:** Hello, everyone, and welcome to *Dream Date*, the game where one lucky woman gets to choose her perfect date. I'm your host, Lucky Chance. Now, let's meet our first contestant.

**Announcer:** Lucky, meet Sarah Hawkins, a social studies teacher from Ames, Iowa.

**Host:** Hello, Sarah, and welcome to *Dream Date*.

**Sarah:** Hi, Lucky. It's great to be here.

**Host:** Now, Sarah, before we bring out our three bachelors, why don't you tell us something about yourself?

**Sarah:** Well, I'm twenty-eight years old. I'm interested in American history and government. I . . . I enjoy talking about politics, literature, the arts . . . about a lot of things, really.

**Host:** And what qualities do you look for in a guy?

**Sarah:** Well, I like someone who's honest and straightforward, and someone who's a good conversationalist. Also, I like it when someone is more interested in other people than he is in himself. I think that's really important.

**Host:** Well, those are all good qualities. Is there anything you *don't* like in a guy?

**Sarah:** Well, I can't stand it when a guy talks about himself all the time. That's something that really bothers me.

**Host:** Well, Sarah, now that we know a little about you, why don't you have a seat? And let's bring out our three bachelors so you can choose your "dream date."

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**Host:** Welcome, gentlemen. It's good to have you with us. Would each of you like to say hello to Sarah? Bachelor Number 1.

**Bachelor 1:** Yo, Sarah!

**Host:** Bachelor Number 2.

**Bachelor 2:** Hi, Sarah.

**Host:** And Bachelor Number 3.

**Bachelor 3:** Hello, Sarah!

**Host:** Thank you, bachelors. OK, Sarah, let's get started. Go ahead and ask your first question. And remember, you have to make your choice based on the answers you receive.

**Sarah:** OK. Bachelor Number 1. If you were out with your friends and then showed up late for our first date, what excuse would you give when you arrived?

**Bachelor 1:** Well, I'd be too embarrassed to tell you the truth, so I'd probably say that I had car trouble or got stuck in traffic or something.

**Sarah:** OK. Bachelor Number 2, same question.

**Bachelor 2:** Well, it really bothers me when people lie – and I wouldn't want to start our relationship on a lie – so I would tell you the truth, and I'd hope you'd be generous enough to forgive me.

**Sarah:** Bachelor Number 3?

**Bachelor 3:** Well, that's happened on other dates, as a matter of fact. I'd probably be honest with you and tell you what I tell everyone: "I'm sorry, but, uh, it's hard to divide my time among so many people!"

**Sarah:** Oh, really? OK. Uh, Bachelor Number 1, what's your idea of the ideal date?

**Bachelor 1:** Well, I think getting together with a bunch of my friends, having a barbecue, and heading out to a football game. Yeah, that would be a great date.

**Sarah:** OK. Uh, Bachelor Number 3, same question.

**Bachelor 3:** For me, I think I would take you to my favorite nightclub where everybody knows me.

**Sarah:** And how about you, Number 2? What's your idea of the perfect date?

**Bachelor 2:** I'd take you out to a nice dinner. That way you could relax and enjoy the evening, and we could get to know each other better.

**Sarah:** Great. OK. Uh, Bachelor Number 2, tell me two things about yourself: one positive and one negative.

**Bachelor 2:** Well, let's see. I . . . I think I'm a pretty good friend, and people trust me. Uh, negative . . . I'm very direct, and that sometimes upsets people.

**Sarah:** Oh, no, that's good, Number 2. Uh, Number 3, tell me something good about yourself and something not so good.

**Bachelor 3:** Actually, I'm pretty good at most things I do. And something not so good. . . . I can't think of anything.

**Sarah:** OK. Uh, Bachelor Number 1, tell me something positive and something negative about yourself.

**Bachelor 1:** Well, I guess I'm pretty easygoing. That's something good about me. Something bad. Well, I guess I'm not very ambitious. I mean, I don't care if I make a lot of money or save the world. I just like watching sports with my friends.

**Host:** OK, Sarah. Let's have a few final questions, and then you'll have to make your choice.

**Sarah:** OK. Uh, Bachelor Number 1, finish this sentence: "I can't stand it when . . ."

**Bachelor 1:** I can't stand it when people are talking while I'm watching the football game on TV.

**Sarah:** OK. Uh, Bachelor Number 3, finish this sentence: "I think it's disgusting when . . ."

**Bachelor 3:** I think it's disgusting when I'm at an expensive restaurant and I don't get the service I deserve.

**Sarah:** OK. Bachelor Number 2: "It really bothers me when . . ."

**Bachelor 2:** It bothers me when people get mad and they get into arguments over unimportant things. I just think people should be more easygoing and treat each other better.

**Host:** OK, Sarah. We're out of time. Now, I'm going to ask you to make a choice based on the answers you received. Who will that special date be with? Will it be Bachelor Number 1, . . . Number 2, . . . or Number 3?

**Sarah:** Well, they all sounded really nice, but I think I'm going to choose Bachelor Number 2.

**Host:** Great! OK. Was there any specific reason?

**Sarah:** Oh, well, like I said, they all sounded like great guys, but I liked what Number 2 said about being late for a date and being able to trust him. I appreciate it when people are honest with me. Also, he seemed interested in doing things to please me and not just himself.

**Host:** Well, before we meet your "dream date," let's say hello to the two men you didn't choose.

**Announcer:** Sarah, Bachelor Number 1 is twenty-nine years old. He's a former college football star from Pocatello, Idaho. He says he loves playing or watching almost every kind of sport. Sarah, meet Kevin Banks.

**Sarah:** Hi.

**Bachelor 1:** See you.

**Announcer:** Bachelor Number 3 is a thirty-year-old actor from Los Angeles. He says everyone should recognize him from his role on the soap opera *My World*. Sarah, meet Chip Billings.

**Bachelor 3:** Sarah.

**Sarah:** Chip.

**Bachelor 3:** Your loss!

**Announcer:** And finally, your choice: Bachelor Number 2. He comes from your own hometown of Ames, Iowa. In his free time, he enjoys reading and surfing the Internet. Sarah, meet Jim Chandler.

**Sarah:** Jim Chandler? Oh, my gosh! Jim, it's you? Oh, my gosh! We went to high school together.

**Jim:** Sarah Hawkins? I don't believe it! I thought you moved back East after graduation.

**Sarah:** And I thought you went to . . .

**Host:** Well, once again, one lucky woman finds her "dream date." That's our show. I'm Lucky Chance, hoping all your dates are "dream dates."