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## A Timeline of Taylor Swift and Kim Kardashian's Feud

Take a look back at the drama between Taylor Swift and Kim Kardashian through the years

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[Taylor Swift](#) and [Kim Kardashian](#) have endured many ups and downs through the years.

Following [Swift and Kanye West's long history](#), West's then-wife Kardashian became part of the narrative in 2015 as Swift publicly reconciled (and then unreconciled) with West.



The following year, Swift responded to the drama with her sixth studio album *Reputation*, which was [dominated by snake imagery](#) as she reclaimed the snake emoji posted in her Instagram comments section at the time.

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Ahead, take a look back at Swift and Kardashian's relationship through the years, including what they've said about the drama.

## **2009: Kim Kardashian says she "loves" Taylor Swift**

Back in 2009, Kardashian spoke with [Entertainment Tonight](#) on the red carpet, where they asked her what the No. 1 song her iPod was. She giddily replied that it was "Love Story" by Swift, before adding, "I love Taylor Swift! I'm the biggest Taylor Swift fan."

She added that she was following her on Twitter, before adding, "I'm watching you, Taylor!"

## **November 11, 2012: Taylor Swift and Kim Kardashian pose together at MTV EMAs**



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**February 8, 2015: Taylor Swift and Kim Kardashian share a hug at the Grammys**

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As Swift and West reconciled following their long-standing feud, Swift was seen getting chummy with Kardashian in the audience. After posing with JAY-Z and West for a photo, she was seen giving Kardashian a hug.

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However, the friendship was short-lived as the following February, West released his song "Famous" featuring a dig at Swift, saying he "made that bitch famous." Swift publicly reacted to the lyric during her Grammys speech for album of the year.

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for your accomplishments or your fame," she said on stage. "If you just focus on the work, and you don't let those people sidetrack you, someday when you get where you're going, you'll look around and you will know that it was you and the people who love you who put you there, and that will be the greatest feeling in the world. Thank you for this moment."

## June 16, 2016: Kim Kardashian claims Taylor Swift knew of the infamous Kanye West "Famous" lyric all along

"She totally approved that," Kardashian said in the July issue of GQ that year regarding Swift's knowledge of the lyrics of "Famous" before the song's release.

Kardashian added, "She totally knew that that was coming out. She wanted to all of a sudden act like she didn't. I swear, my husband gets so much s--- for things [when] he really was doing proper protocol and even called to get it approved."

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"recognizes the pressure Kim must be under and that she is only repeating what she has been told by Kanye West," the statement about Kardashian started off.

"However, that does not change the fact that much of what Kim is saying is SKIP TO CONTENT true. West and Taylor only spoke once on the phone while she

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conversation took place. It was on that phone call that Kanye West also asked her to release the song on her Twitter account, which she declined to do."

## July 17, 2016: Kim Kardashian explains why she defended Kanye West against Taylor Swift

On [a July 2016 episode](#) of *Keeping Up with the Kardashians*, the family discussed the longstanding feud between West and Swift in great detail, as well as [West's controversial rant](#) during his appearance on *Saturday Night Live*, where he was recorded backstage calling Swift fake.

She explained that when she did her GQ interview, she felt the need to speak out. "I never talk s--- about anyone publicly, especially in interviews. But I was just like, I had so had it," she said "I wanted to defend him in it."

At the end of the episode, Kardashian sat down with momager Kris Jenner to discuss the controversial interview. Jenner tried to play peacemaker, asking, "What would happen if you just called Taylor up and say 'What

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**JULY 17, 2016: KIM KARDASHIAN RELEASES video footage of Kanye West's phone call with Taylor Swift**

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her then-husband West and Swift, discussing the "Famous" lyrics – as well as their history.

"It's like a compliment," Swift is heard saying in the video after West reads the lyrics to her (which include, "For all my Southside n----- that know me best / I feel like me and Taylor might still have sex").

"What I give a f--- is you as a person, and as a friend, I want things that make you feel good," West said, and thanked Swift "for being like, so cool about it" after she told him she appreciates the "heads up" on the lyrics.

"I never would've expected you to like tell me about a line in your song," Swift said. "I mean, I don't think anybody would listen to that and be like, 'Oh, that's a real diss.' You gotta tell the story that way that it happened to you and the way you experienced it."

She went on to add, "If people ask me about it, look, I think it would be great for me to be like, 'He called me and told me before it came out ... Joke's on you, guys. We're fine.' "

Shortly after, Swift's rep told PEOPLE, "Taylor was never made aware of the actual lyrics, 'I made that bitch famous.'"



Swift quickly defended herself online, noting how the phone call never showed West telling Swift he was going to call her "that bitch." "It doesn't exist because it never happened. You don't get to control someone's

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"Of course I wanted to like the song. I wanted to believe Kanye when he told me that I would love the song. I wanted us to have a friendly relationship. He promised to play the song for me, but he never did. While I wanted to be supportive of Kanye on the phone call, you cannot 'approve' a song you haven't heard. Being falsely painted as a liar when I was never given the full story or played any part of the song is character assassination."

"I would very much like to be excluded from this narrative, one that I have never asked to be a part of, since 2009," Swift continued. She captioned the post, "That moment when [Kanye West](#) secretly records your phone call, then Kim posts it on the Internet."

## August 27, 2017: Taylor Swift references Kanye West and Kim Kardashian drama in "Look What You Made Me Do" music video

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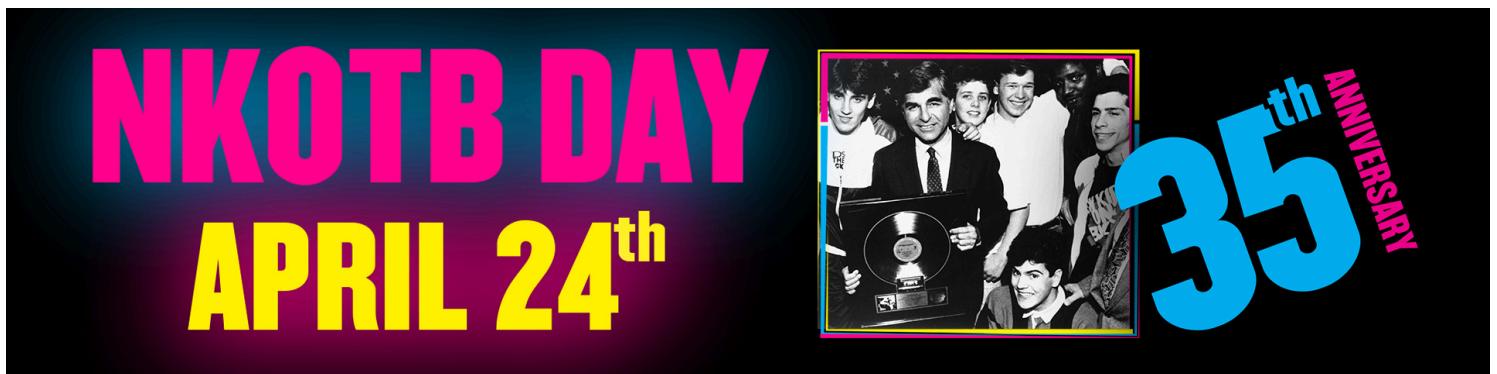
the release of her sixth studio album, *Reputation*. Swift teased the news with a series of mysterious Instagram videos depicting a serpent. This appeared to be her way of reclaiming the snake emoji posted in her Instagram comments section (implying that she was a liar).

In the music video for the song's lead single "Look What You Made Me Do," Swift referenced the drama with various Easter eggs throughout the video. In addition to having various snake imagery throughout, she also had the quote "Et tu, Brute" from William Shakespeare's play *Julius Caesar* written on her chair as a reference to West stabbing her in the back.

At the end of the video, she further referenced the drama as several different "versions of herself" lined up in a row, including one that kept taking videos on her phone, saying, "I'm going to edit this later."

## January 14, 2019: Kim Kardashian claims there's no more "Bad Blood" with Taylor Swift

In January 2019, Kardashian cleared the air during an appearance on *Watch What Happens Live With Andy Cohen*.



## March 2019: Taylor Swift insinuates that Kim Kardashian and Kanye West still haven't lied to her

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"I learned that disarming someone's petty bullying can be as simple as learning to laugh," Swift wrote in *Elle*. "In my experience, I've come to see that bullies want to be feared and taken seriously. A few years ago, [she] faced an online hate campaign by calling me a snake on the

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screaming fans," she wrote. "It's the Stadium Tour equivalent of responding to a troll's hateful Instagram comment with 'lol.'"

"It would be nice if we could get an apology from people who bully us," Swift continued, "but maybe all I'll ever get is the satisfaction of knowing I could survive it, and thrive in spite of it."

## March 20, 2020: The full phone call between Kanye West and Taylor Swift leaks online

Four years after [Kardashian shared the edited phone call](#) between West and Swift discussing his "Famous" lyrics, extended portions of the lengthy conversation were [leaked online late on March 20, 2020](#).

In clips posted to Twitter, the rapper is heard asking Swift to release his new song on her Twitter account. "So my next single, I wanted you to tweet it ... so that's why I'm calling you. I wanted you to put the song out," he tells the Grammy winner on the phone.

After telling Swift he included a "[very controversial line](#)" about her in the



Further discussing his proposal to have her release the song, Swift — who expresses relief that the lyrics aren't about her being "that stupid dumb bitch" — tells West she needs to "think about it because it is absolutely

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tells Swift, who has long contended she never heard the song before its release, at the end of the call.

Days later, [Kardashian liked a tweet](#) referencing the leak, stating, "The video showed nothing new. We all knew that. I'm so confused right now," reads the tweet.

## March 23, 2020: Taylor Swift responds to the leak of her full phone call with Kanye West

"Instead of answering those who are asking how I feel about the video footage that leaked, proving that I was telling the truth the whole time about \*that call\* (you know, the one that was illegally recorded, that somebody edited and manipulated in order to frame me and put me, my family and fans through hell for 4 years)...SWIPE UP to see what really matters," [wrote Swift on Instagram Stories](#) on March 23, referencing the leaked call.

"The World Health Organization and Feeding America are some of the



That same evening in late March, Kardashian returned to Twitter — albeit "embarrassed" to do so — to clap back at Swift's remarks.

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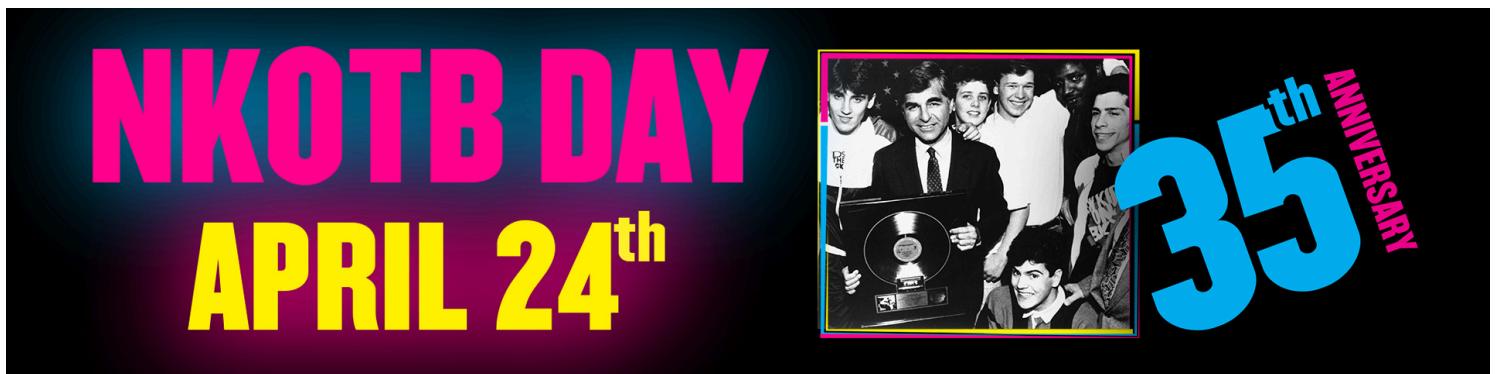
permission...' They clearly spoke so I let you all see that. Nobody ever denied the word 'bitch' was used without her permission," tweeted Kardashian.

Swift's publicist, Tree Paine, who never denied the existence of the phone call in her statements, replied this time, re-sharing her very first statement on the matter, and asking, "P.S. who did you guys piss off to leak that video?"

## December 16, 2021: Kim Kardashian says she likes all of Taylor Swift's songs

During an interview on [the \*Honestly\* podcast](#) with host Bari Weiss, Kardashian was asked about Swift during a lightning question round. When asked what her favorite Swift album was, Kardashian responded, "I really like a lot of her songs. They're all super cute and catchy. I'd have to look in my phone to get a name [of an album]."

## October 22, 2023: Kim Kardashian reshares

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**December 7, 2023: Taylor Swift says Kanye West and Kim Kardashian feud felt like 'leath'**

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past feuds in her cover story. In particular, [she recalled the leaked phone call](#) between her and West, that the moment and the public's reaction felt like "a career death" and "took [her] down psychologically to a place [she'd] never been before."

"Make no mistake — my career was taken away from me," the "Cruel Summer" singer said.

"You have a fully manufactured frame job, in an illegally recorded phone call, which Kim Kardashian edited and then put out to say to everyone that I was a liar," she recalled.

"That took me down psychologically to a place I've never been before," the Grammy winner continued. "I moved to a foreign country. I didn't leave a rental house for a year. I was afraid to get on phone calls. I pushed away most people in my life because I didn't trust anyone anymore. I went down really, really hard."

## April 19, 2024: Taylor Swift seemingly sings about Kim Kardashian on *The Tortured Poets Seminar*



song seems to reference the Greek goddess of the same name, who was granted the power of prophecy by Apollo. However, when she rejected him, he "sabotaged that power with a curse that no one would believe her . . . according to the [Brooklyn Museum's website](#).

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me now?" Taylor sings in the new track, also appearing to reference the snake emoji that featured in her feud with the reality TV star.

## April 23: A source tells PEOPLE Kim Kardashian is 'over' the feud

Following the release of Swift's new track, a source gave PEOPLE insight into [Kardashian's reaction](#). She's over it and thinks Taylor should move on," the source explained. Kardashian "doesn't get why [Swift] keeps harping on it," the source added. "It's been literally years."

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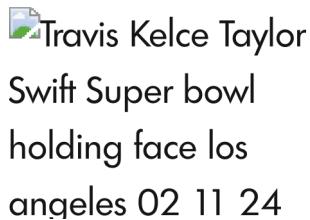
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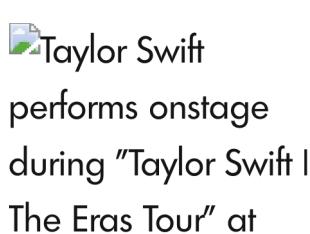
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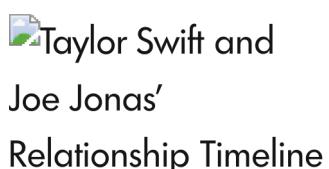
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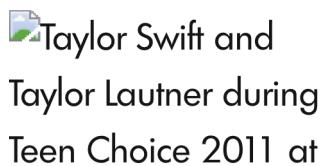
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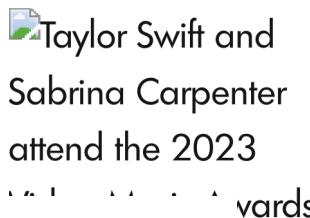
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