

First dates

GONE WRONG

Just getting someone to say
yes is stressful, but this
is only the beginning.
To relieve sweaty
palms and awkward
silences, know this before
the doorbell rings.



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LAST-MINUTE ADVICE

For males

Please pay
No pawing

For females

No primping
Smile

Awkward locations

Family events
Strips bars
Weddings
Funerals
Libraries

Questionable activities

Shopping
Tanning
Confession
Paintball
Skydiving

Please say you didn't do that

Check out others

■ So you thought no one would notice when you gave the servant a quick look (you know the look). Both males and females are tempted to flirt with waitresses or other patrons when out. What a bad move.

Fashionably late

■ Even five minutes is inexcusable on the first date. That someone special you found is already anxious thinking they might become the next horror story of being stood up. What were you thinking?

Answer a text

■ So you had to whip out the new phone and text your friend. Unless you are a heart surgeon or a superhero incognito, it is rude to use your phone when you are supposed to be giving someone special your full attention. Tell me you did not do this.

Food dribble

■ Well the spaghetti at the fine Italian restaurant proved to be a bad choice. Embarrassment from spilled food is the last thing you needed. I can't look.