## Red Flags in Relationships



This list was excerpted from a "Dear Abby" column. Taken from the relationship institute.

- If your parents or siblings have doubts about him/her, pay attention. Listen and check it out.
- 2. If your intended has nothing good to say about his/her ex, beware. This is a pattern; divorce or break ups are rarely one person's fault.
- 3. If his/her children have nothing to do with him/her; do not believe it if the reason is that his/her ex brainwashed the children.
- 4. Look closely at his/her credit and job history. They are certain predictors of what your life will be like.
- 5. If s/he is over 30 and has no money, do not let him/her move in with you, and don't marry until s/he is financially solvent. Otherwise, this will be one of the problems in your marriage.
- 6. Be sure in your heart that you can live with him/her AS IS. You cannot change another person.
- 7. If your friends dislike him/her, pay attention. This is also true if s/he hates your friends.
- 8. If s/he has one personality at work or with others, and another alone with you, run.
- 9. If she is emotionally abusive, it will only get worse. Yelling, name-calling and glowering are classic signs of an abuser.
- 10. If he's mean to children, animals or pets, recognize that he's pathological and the next victim could be you.