

Woman has questions about future

DEAR ABBY: "Kirk" and I have been together for more than three years, and last year he asked me to marry him. We have yet to set a date because we don't want to rush into anything. I am 25; he's 24.

Ninety-five percent of the time, we are happy. He calls out of the blue just to say he loves me. I write him love letters. He blows me



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• dear abby

kisses from across the room.

My only concern is, we have had two fights that became mildly physical, and I'm afraid of repeating my parents' mistakes. When I was a child, Dad hit Mom more than once. (My brother and I would hide in our rooms and hear her scream for us.) They finally divorced when I was in high school.

My last fight with Kirk was over

a pregnancy scare. I had missed a couple of birth control pills, so I got the "morning-after" pill and took it. Kirk refused to believe I had taken it. At the breakfast table, he became furious and smashed the TV remote control.

It's not the first time he's thrown a temper tantrum. When he does, I always cringe. Then he gets over it and I clean up the mess. But this time, I was mad, too, so I smashed my cereal bowl on the floor. Well, it bounced and landed on his head! Blood poured everywhere. He was so frightened he called 911. They wanted to arrest me, but Kirk told

them it was an accident.

I didn't mean to hit him, although my mom says maybe I did.

Kirk took all his things with him when he went to the hospital for stitches, then went to stay at his brother's. The next day when I saw him, he hugged me and said, "You have a sick baby to take care of." He said he had been in so much pain he hadn't had time to get mad.

I feel terrible. If he'd done this to me, I would never see him again. (Although once he did hit my head against the car window while he was driving.)

In my heart I know I didn't mean

to hurt him, but nobody believes me. I should not have lost my temper. I know if I control myself and don't get mad over petty things, he will also be OK.

If he decides we should keep seeing each other, do you think it will work? — LOST MY TEMPER IN CHULA VISTA

DEAR LOST: Your mother has spoken with the voice of experience, so pay attention. Young love may be tempestuous, but it is not supposed to leave you black-and-blue or with stitches. There are healthier, more constructive ways to deal with anger.

Unless you and Kirk learn to control your tempers in an adult and civilized fashion, you will repeat your parents' mistakes. As much as you may care for each other, it is vital you both get anger management counseling before you live together again. Please don't wait. Your problems will escalate if you ignore this issue.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"If a diplomat says yes, he means maybe.

"If a diplomat says maybe, he means no.

"If a diplomat says no, he ain't no diplomat!" — Andre Gabor

TUESDAY EVENING										E= Eagle Cable S=S&T Telephone				DEC. 23, 2003			
E	S		6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30					
2	2	PBS	Marvin Hamlisch's Christmas		Christmas at Baylor (N) (G)		Kitty Hawk: The Wright Brothers' Journey		As Time Goes By	That's My Boy	Charlie Rose (N) (G) (U)						
3	35	IND	★★★ "EdTV" (1999, Comedy) Elfmán. A video clerk agrees to have his everyday life televised.		Matthew McConaughey, Jenna Elfman. (C)35 ★ "Fair Game" (1995, Suspense) Crawford, William Baldwin. (G)		★★★ "EdTV" (1999, Comedy) Elfmán. A video clerk agrees to have his everyday life televised.		★★★ "EdTV" (1999, Comedy) Elfmán. A video clerk agrees to have his everyday life televised.	★★★ "EdTV" (1999, Comedy) Elfmán. A video clerk agrees to have his everyday life televised.	★★★ "EdTV" (1999, Comedy) Elfmán. A video clerk agrees to have his everyday life televised.	★★★ "EdTV" (1999, Comedy) Elfmán. A video clerk agrees to have his everyday life televised.					
4	6	ABC	8 Simple Rules (N)	I'm With Her (N) (G)	According to Jim (G)	Less Than Perfect (G)	Line of Fire "Mockingbird" (N) (G)	News (G)	(:35) Night-line (G)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (G)							
5	14	HBO	★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. PG-13		(:45) ★★ ★ "The Fifth Element" (1997, Science Fiction) Bruce Willis, Gary Oldman. PG-13 (G)		★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. PG-13		★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. PG-13	★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. PG-13	★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. PG-13	★★★ "Two Weeks Notice" (2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. PG-13					
7	11	CBS	A Home for the Holidays (N) (G)		Guardian "Big Coal" (G)		Judging Amy "Going Down" (N) (G)	News (G)	(:35) Late Show Darlene Love. (N) (G)	(:37) Late Night (N) (G)							
8	8	NBC	Tracy Morgan	Whoopi (G)	Frasier (G)	Happy Family (G)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Tragedy" (G)	News (G)	(:35) Tonight Show (N) (G)	(:37) Late Night (N) (G)							
11	82	TVLND	Leave	Leave	Sanford	Bewitched	Griffith	Leave	I Love Lucy	Jeannie	Munsters	Munsters					
12	56	ESPN	College Football: Fort Worth Bowl -- Boise State vs. Texas Christian		SportsCenter (Live) (G)		Outside	NFL Live									
13	7	FOX	That '70s Show (G)	Simple Life (G)	American Idol Christmas (G)		Fox Report With Shepard Smith (G)		Cagney & Lacey "On the Street" (G)	Kojak "Over the Water" (G)							
15	29	MAX	"Against", Jeff	★★★½ "The Fugitive" (1993, Drama) Harrison Ford, Tommy Lee Jones. PG-13 (G)		Harrison Ford, Tommy Lee Jones. PG-13 (G)	Women-Hair		★★★ "Star Trek: First Contact" (1996) Patrick Stewart, Jonathan Frakes. PG-13 (G)								
16	41	SPK	Real TV (G)	Real TV (G)	Real TV (G)	Real TV (G)	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.	"Cheech", Tommy							
17	44	DISN	Kim Possible	Proud Family (G)	Sister, Sister (G)	Even Stevens (G)	Sister, Sister (G)	Lizzie McGuire	★★★ "Tarzan" (1999, Adventure) Goldwyn, Glenn Close. (G) (G)	Voices of Tony							
18	63	LIFE	Nanny (G)	Nanny (G)	★★ "Unlikely Angel" (1996), Roddy McDowall		Golden	Golden	Nanny (G)	Nanny (G)							
20	34	USA	Law & Order		★★½ "Dragonheart", Voice of Sean Connery		Law & Order	Dead Zone (G)									
21	24	SHOW	"Nobody", Gary Old	(:45) ★★ ★ "Renaissance Man" (1994, Comedy) Danny DeVito, Gregory Hines. PG-13 (G)		(:45) ★★ ★ "Renaissance Man" (1994, Comedy) Danny DeVito, Gregory Hines. PG-13 (G)	★★★ "Orange County" (2002) Colin Hanks, Jack Black. PG-13 (G)	★★★ "Jeepers", Justin									
22	26	TMC	(:5:30) ★★ ★ "Defiance" (1979), Theresa Saldana		(:15) ★★ ★ "Jackknife" (1989, Drama) Robert De Niro, Ed Harris. (G)		★ "Longshot" (2001, Drama) Tony DeCamillis, Hunter Tylo. (G)	★ "Comic Bk", Mi									
23	77	MTV	TRL (TV) (G) (G)		MTV Special (G)		Room Rdr	Room Rdr	Rich Girls	Rich Girls	Punk'd (G)	Punk'd (G)					
24	50	DISC	Wild Asia Land and sea compete at shorelines.		Untamed Indonesia "Island Castaways" (G)		Justice Files "Getting Even"	Unsolved History			Cold Mountain						
28	37	TNT	Law & Order (G) (DVS)	★★ "Call Me Claus" (2001), Nigel Hawthorne		★★ "Call Me Claus" (2001), Nigel Hawthorne	"Willy Wonka & Chocolate", Jack Albertson										
30	55	FXSP	Football	Rocky Mt.	Review	Football	Best Damn Sports Show	Period (Live) (G)	Rocky Mt.	Rocky Mt.							
32	46	FAM	"A Chance of Snow" (1998), Michael Ontkean		Who's? Who's?		700 Club (G)		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.							
33	9	NBC	News (G)	Ent. Tonight	Tracy Morgan	Whoopi (G)	Frasier (G)	Happy Family (G)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Tragedy" (G)	News (G)	(:35) Tonight Show						
34	43	NICK	Oddparents	Rocket	Full House	Full House	Cosby	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Cosby					
36	53	A&E	Biography "Jimmy Stewart: His Wonderful Life"		Cold Case Files A woman convinces police to investigate her sister's murders. (G)		Third Watch "The Tys That Bind" (G)	Biography "Jimmy Stewart: His Wonderful Life"									
38	83	SCIFI	X-Files "Two Fathers"		X-Files "One Son" (G)		X-Files "Arcadia" (G)	"Roswell: The Aliens Attack", Kate Greenhouse									
39	51	TLC	While You Were Out		Clean Sweep Combining two home offices. (G)		Secrets of Forensic Science (G)	What Were You Thinking? (G)			Mostly True Stories: Urban Legends Revealed						
40	38	FX	Buff Vampire		Cops (G)	Cops (G)	Cops (G)	★★½ "Kingspin" (1996) Woody Harrelson, Randy Quaid.									
45	31	FMC	(:01) ★★ ★ "Seven Thieves" (1960), Rod Steiger		Hilton Sisters		Howard S. Howard S.	Wild On...									
49	81	EITV	Rock Star Daughters: True Story		Secrets (G)		Kings of the Road (G)	Secrets (G)									
51	86	TRAV	Secrets		Secrets (G)		Kings of the Road (G)	Secrets (G)									
53	3	WB	Friends (G)	Everybody-Raymond	Gilmore Girls "An Affair to Remember" (G)		One Tree Hill "Life in a Glass House" (G)	News (G)	Friends (G)	Will & Grace (G)							
54	57	ESPN2	Strongest Man		College Basketball Illinois at Missouri. (Live) (G)		Season (N)	Fastbreak	Streetball								
58	52	HIST	Deep Sea Detectives "S-5: Doomed Sub" (N)		Tactical to Practical (N)		Modern Marvels "Toys" (N) (G)	Christmas Unwrapped: History-Christmas			Deep Sea Detectives "S-5: Doomed Sub"						
59	-	HLTH	Doctors Diaries (G)		Diary		Health Specials (G)	Doctors Diaries (G)	Diary	Diary							
60	89	UNIV	Velo de Novia		Te Amaré en Silencio		Casos de la Vida Real	P. Impacto	Noticiero	En las Mejores Familias							
62	67	HGTV	Outer	Decorating	Sensible	Design	Designers' Designers'	Design	Design	Outer	Decorating						
99	36	WGN	NBA Basketball: Bulls at Nets		News (G)		Becker (G)	Will-Grace	Osbourne Show								

From All Your Friends & Family
Wishing You A
Merry Christmas
and a Joyous New Year!

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E	S		6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
2	2	PBS	Arthur's Perfect Christmas ⌈ ⌋ (DVS)		Great Performances "The Nutcracker From the Royal Ballet" ⌈ ⌋				As Time Goes By	Two's Company	Charlie Rose (N) ⌈ ⌋	
3	35	IND	Seinfeld ⌈ ⌋	Seinfeld "The Pick"	Ripley's Believe It or Not!		★★★ "Grumpier Old Men" (1995, Comedy) Jack Lemmon, Walter Matthau. ⌈ ⌋		Ripley's Believe It or Not!			
4	6	ABC	My Wife and Kids	It's All Relative ⌈ ⌋	George Lopez	Married to the Kellys	America's Funniest Home Videos ⌈ ⌋		Santa's Workshop	(:35) Night-line ⌈ ⌋	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live ⌈ ⌋	
5	14	HBO	Rebels Oakland	★★ "Weekend at Bernie's" (1989), Jonathan Silverman ⌈ ⌋ PG-13		(15) ★★★ "The Majestic" (2001, Drama) Jim Carrey, Martin Landau. Citizens embrace an amnesiac writer as one of their own. ⌈ ⌋ PG ⌈ ⌋						
7	11	CBS	60 Minutes II ⌈ ⌋		King of Queens ⌈ ⌋	Becker ⌈ ⌋	48 Hours Investigates ⌈ ⌋		News ⌈ ⌋	(:35) Christmas Eve Service (N) ⌈ ⌋	Figure Skating	
8	8	NBC	★★★★ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. ⌈ ⌋ (DVS)				News		(:35) Showcase Jubilee Christmas.	Christmas Eve		
11	82	TVLND	Leave	Leave	Sanford	Bewitched	Griffith	Leave	I Love Lucy	Jeannie	Leave	Leave
12	56	ESPN	(5:30) College Football Las Vegas Bowl -- New Mexico vs. Oregon State.				SportsCenter (Live) ⌈ ⌋		Rome Is Burning (N)			
13	7	FOX	★★★ "Anastasia" (1997, Adventure) Voices of Meg Ryan, John Cusack. ⌈ ⌋				Fox Report With Shepard Smith ⌈ ⌋		Cagney & Lacey "Ordinary Hero" ⌈ ⌋		Odd Couple Felix invites Gloria to move in.	
15	29	MAX	"Fly Away", Nicolas Cage, Jon Lovitz. ⌈ ⌋ PG-13		★★★ "Trapped in Paradise" (1994, Comedy) Nicolas Cage, Jon Lovitz. ⌈ ⌋ PG-13		★★★ "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" (2001, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. ⌈ ⌋ PG ⌈ ⌋					
16	41	SPK	"YouOnly", Akiko Wakabayashi		★★★ "Diamonds Are Forever" (1971) Sean Connery, Jill St. John. ⌈ ⌋		"World", Sophie Marceau					
17	44	DISN	Kim Possible	Proud Family ⌈ ⌋	Sister, Sister ⌈ ⌋	Even Stevens ⌈ ⌋	That's So Raven ⌈ ⌋	Lizzie McGuire	★★ "Twins the Night" (2001) Bryan Cranston, Josh Zuckerman.		(:40) That's So Raven	
18	63	LIFE	"Christmas", Gregory Kinnear		"Christmas in My Hometown", Tim Matheson		Golden		Golden	Nanny ⌈ ⌋	Nanny ⌈ ⌋	
20	34	USA	"Cats Dogs", Elizabeth Perkins		"Stealing Christmas" (2003), Lea Thompson ⌈ ⌋		★★ "Dear God" (1996), Laurie Metcalf ⌈ ⌋					
21	24	SHOW	(5:45) ★★★ "Crimes and Misdemeanors" (1989), Woody Allen		(5:45) ★★★ "Orange County" (2002) Colin Hanks, Jack Black. PG-13		★★★ "Crossroads" (2002) Britney Spears, Anson Mount. PG-13 ⌈ ⌋		"Zoolander", Owen Wilson			
22	26	TMC	(5:15) ★★ "Mr. Destiny", Michael Caine ⌈ ⌋		(15) ★★ "Touch" (1997, Comedy) Bridget Fonda, Christopher Walken. ⌈ ⌋		★★★ "An Officer and a Gentleman" (1982, Drama) Richard Gere, Debra Winger. ⌈ ⌋					
23	77	MTV	Music Videos ⌈ ⌋				Hard Rock Live (N) ⌈ ⌋		MTV Special ⌈ ⌋			
24	50	DISC	Polar Bear Attacks Attacks by polar bears.		Untamed Indonesia "Magical Forest" ⌈ ⌋		Realm of the Reindeer Herds of reindeer. (N)		Monster House "Christmas House"		Monster Garage "Wheelie Santa Float"	
28	37	TNT	★★★ "A Christmas Story", Darren McGavin				★★★ "A Christmas Story", Darren McGavin				"Christmas", Darren	
30	55	FXSP	Football Rocky Mt.		See This Football		Best Damn Sports Show Period (Live) ⌈ ⌋		Rocky Mt. Football			
32	46	FAM	Santa Claus		Without Santa		Rudolph's-New Year 700 Club ⌈ ⌋		Oak Ridge Boys			
33	9	NBC	News ⌈ ⌋		Ent. Tonight		★★★★ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide. ⌈ ⌋ (DVS)		News ⌈ ⌋		Holiday on Ice	
34	43	NICK	Rugrats ⌈ ⌋		Full House Full House		Cosby	Cosby	Roseanne	Roseanne	Cosby	Cosby
36	53	A&E	Biography "Santa Claus"		American Justice People wrongly convicted.		American Justice "The Yosemite Killer" ⌈ ⌋		Third Watch "Faith" ⌈ ⌋		Biography "Santa Claus"	
38	83	SCIFI	Beyond Belief		★ "Highlander: Endgame", Christopher Lambert		"Highlander II: The Quickening", Sean Connery					
39	51	TLC	For Better or for Worse "Amanda & Ian" ⌈ ⌋		For Better or for Worse "Katrina and Chris" ⌈ ⌋		For Better or for Worse "Kelli and Randy" ⌈ ⌋		For Better or for Worse "Sharon and David"		While You Were Out Fireman's retreat.	
40	38	FX	Buff Vampire		Married... Cops ⌈ ⌋		Cops ⌈ ⌋	Cops ⌈ ⌋	★★★ "Say Anything..." (1989), Ione Skye			
45	31	FMC	(:01) "Say One for Me" (1959), Debbie Reynolds		(:01) Hour of Stars		(:01) "Christmas Coal Mine Miracle", Kurt Russell					
49	81	EITV	Richard Gere		Julia Roberts		Celebrities Uncensored		Howard S. Howard S.		Wild On...	
51	86	TRAV	Where Christmas Begins		Sec.-Holy Land		Secrets of Jerusalem		Where Christmas Begins		Sec.-Holy Land	
53	3	WB	Friends ⌈ ⌋	Everybody Loves Raymond	Smallville "Phoenix" ⌈ ⌋ (Part 2 of 2)		Smallville "Lineage" ⌈ ⌋		News ⌈ ⌋		Friends ⌈ ⌋	Will & Grace ⌈ ⌋
54	57	ESPN2	Long Drive		2002 Re/Max Long Drive			Long Golf Drive Championship. ⌈ ⌋		NFL Live Football		
58	52	HIST	Jesus of Nazareth Jesus causes a crisis in belief. (Part 3 of 4) ⌈ ⌋		Jesus of Nazareth Jesus is crucified. (Part 4 of 4) ⌈ ⌋		Jesus of Nazareth Jesus is crucified. (Part 4 of 4) ⌈ ⌋		Jesus of Nazareth (Part 3 of 4) ⌈ ⌋			
59	-	HLTH	Doctors Diaries ⌈ ⌋		Diary	Diary	Health Specials ⌈ ⌋		Doctors Diaries ⌈ ⌋		Diary	Diary
60	89	UNIV	(5:00) "Jesus, el Niño Dios" (1970), Jorge Rivero		Don Francisco Presenta		P. Impacto		Noticiero		Misa del Gallo del Papa	
62	67	HGTV	Decorating Decorating		Designers' Designers'		Design Design		Design Design		Decorating Decorating	
99	36	WGN	★★★ "Scrooge" (1951), Alvin Karpis		Kathleen Harrison ⌈ ⌋		News ⌈ ⌋		★★★ "A Christmas Carol", Edward Woodward			