

# Girl's dream becomes cause of harassment

DEARABBY: I am a 13-year-old girl in the eighth grade. For my Health and Human Services class, I had to do an oral report about my future career.

I have wanted to be president of the United States since fifth grade. But when I said that, my teacher laughed at me. He told me I had very little chance of making it, although he didn't say why.



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• dear abby

Then, "Jim," another student, started laughing hysterically and said girls aren't allowed to be president. I said, "Yeah, and I'll bet the idiots who came up with that idea were guys!" I was so upset I ran out of the room.

Now, a group of kids at school have started calling me names and spreading rumors about me. Jim even tripped me and made me bite

my lip. I try to ignore them, but it's hard. They keep laughing at me, and my teacher is no help. I am losing sleep and feel horrible.

Abby, I didn't realize so much trouble could come out of revealing a dream. It's not like I am not ambitious enough. I'm in the National Junior Honor Society and my poetry has been published in the paper more than once.

I have tried talking to the guidance counselors, but they have done nothing. And when I mention my career ambition to my family, all I get from them is, "That's nice, dear."

Please respond, Abby. My dream

is turning into a nightmare. — I HAVE A DREAM

DEAR I HAVE A DREAM: Please clip this and show it to your male chauvinist teacher. Because a woman has never been president of the United States does not mean that it will never happen. Fifty years ago there was a saying, "A woman's place is in the home." Today, more women work outside the home than in it. And this year, for the first time, there were more female applicants to medical schools than male.

Please don't let your classmates get you down. If necessary, ask your parents to get involved to stop the harassment. The people who imply

that you cannot fulfill your dreams are wrong. I expect to see a woman be elected president in my lifetime — and who's to say it won't be you? Certainly not this columnist!

DEARABBY: I have been going out with my boyfriend for two years. He has two boys, 7 and 9. He has been divorced from his wife for six years. We do not live together, but we would like to share the same bed when I stay overnight.

My boyfriend's 9-year-old son won't allow it. He either tries to get into the bed with my boyfriend or makes comments that he doesn't want us to sleep together. This is trying my patience.

I have tried to be understanding. Am I wrong to be frustrated with the situation? My boyfriend wants to sleep with me, too, but doesn't talk to his son about it; he just gives in. — BUMMED IN BEVERLY, MASS.

DEAR BUMMED: Call me old-fashioned, but if you're looking for sympathy from me, you've come to the wrong place. What adults do in private is their own business. But I don't think unmarried adults should sleep together in front of children. It sends the wrong message. Children want to keep their illusions, and I think adults should let them.

TUESDAY EVENING						E=Eagle Cable S=S&T Telephone		MAR. 16, 2004			
E	S	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
36	53	A&E	Biography "The Hussein Family" (N) [E]	Cold Case Files A woman kills her husband in a satanic rite. [E]				House of Dreams (N) [E]		Biography "The Hussein Family" (N) [E]	
4	6	ABC	8 Simple Rules (N) [E]	I'm With Her (N) [E]	According to Jim (N) [E]	Less Than Perfect (N) [E]	NYPD Blue "Colonel Knowledge" (N) [E]	News [E]	(:35) Nightline [E]	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) [E]	
26	48	ANPL	Koala Miracle [E]		A Joey Called Jack [E]		Animal Precinct "Junkyard Dogs" [E]	Koala Miracle [E]		A Joey Called Jack [E]	
63	54	BRAVO	Sexiest Moments in Film "Seductresses" (N)		Significant Others [E]	Significant Others (N) [E]	Queer Eye for the Straight Guy "Rob M." [E]	The West Wing "Take This Sabbath Day" [E]		Queer Eye for the Straight Guy "Rob M." [E]	
7	11	CBS	Navy NCIS "The Truth Is Out There" (N) [E]		Century City "Pilot" (Series Premiere) (N) [E]		Judging Amy "Disposable" (N) [E]	News [E]	(:35) Late Show Kate Winslet (N) [E]	The Late Late Show [E]	
24	50	DISC	Wild Asia "Himalaya" [E]		Deadly Crossings: American Intersections [E]		Justice Files "Old Enough to Kill" [E]	New Detectives: Forensic Science [E]		Seven Wonders of Ancient Rome (N) [E]	
33	44	DISN	Kim Possible [E]	The Proud Family [E]	Even Stevens [E]	Sister, Sister [E]	Sister, Sister [E]	Lizzie McGuire [E]	★ ★ ★ "Gotta Kick It Up" (2002) Susan Egan. A teacher changes the lives of some Latina students.		
49	81	E!TV	Goldie & Kate: The E! True Hollywood Story [E]				Donald Trump: THS [E]	Howard S. [E]	Howard S. [E]	Celebrities Uncensored [E]	
22	56	ESPN	College Basketball [E]		College Basketball: NIT First Round [E]			SportsCenter (Live) [E]		Outside [E]	Interruption [E]
54	57	ESPN2	Dream Job (N) [E]		NBA Fastbreak Tuesday [E]		ATP Tennis: Pacific Life Open [E]			Fastbreak [E]	Basketball [E]
32	46	FAM	★ ★ "Down Periscope" (1996) Kelsey Grammer. [E]				Who? [E]	Who? [E]	The 700 Club [E]	Funnies Home Videos [E]	
9	31	FIT TV	Bodies [E]	In Shape [E]	Workout [E]	Fitness [E]	Navy SEALs Training [E]	Bodies [E]	In Shape [E]	Workout [E]	Fitness [E]
35	31	FMC	(:01) ★ ★ ★ ★ "The Snake Pit" (1948, Drama) [E]				(:01) ★ ★ ★ "The Omen" (1976) Gregory Peck. [E]			(:01) "The Robe" (1953) [E]	
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live [E]		Roker on the Road [E]	Foodnation [E]	Food Finds [E]	Amer. Festivals [E]	Unwrapped [E]	Good Eats [E]	Emeril Live [E]
13	7	FOX	American Idol (iTV) Twelve finalists compete in front of a studio audience. (Live) [E]				The Fox Report With Shepard Smith [E]	Cagney & Lacey "Land of the Free" [E]		Kojak "May the Horse Be With You" [E]	
40	38	FX	Buffy Vampire [E]		Married... [E]	Married... [E]	Cops [E]	Cops [E]	★ ★ ★ "Kiss of the Dragon" (2001) Jet Li. [E]		
30	55	FXSP	NHL Hockey: Avalanche at Canadiens [E]				Rocky Mt. [E]	Best Damn Sports [E]	FOX One [E]	Rocky Mt. [E]	Rocky Mt. [E]
5	14	HBO	(5:45) ★ ★ ★ "Path to War" (2002) Michael Gambon. Advisers push President Johnson to step up the Vietnam War. [E]				★ ★ ★ "A Mighty Wind" (2003) Bob Balaban. [E]	PG-13 [E]		Curb Your Enthusiasm "Opening Night" [E]	
62	67	HGTV	Outer [E]	Sensible [E]	Decorating [E]	Design [E]	Designers' [E]	Designers' [E]	Home [E]	Design [E]	Outer [E]
58	52	HIST	Modern Marvels Technological breakdowns. [E]		The Iraq War: One Year Later (N) [E]		Eyewitness in Iraq Journalists travel embedded. [E]	Infamous Murders [E]	Infamous Murders [E]	Modern Marvels Technological breakdowns. [E]	
25	35	IND	★ ★ "Gone in Sixty Seconds" (2000, Action) (PA) Nicolas Cage. A retired thief must steal 50 cars to save his brother. [E]				(:40) ★ ★ "Gone in Sixty Seconds" (2000, Action) (PA) Nicolas Cage. A retired thief must steal 50 cars to save his brother. [E]				
18	63	LIFE	(5:00) "The Devil's Bed" [E]		★ ★ "Murder at 75 Birch" (1999, Mystery) [E]			Golden [E]	Golden [E]	The Nanny [E]	The Nanny [E]
23	77	MTV	TRL (TV) [E]		Made [E]		Direct Effect [E]	TRL (iTV) [E]		Real World [E]	Real World [E]
3	9	NBC	News [E]	Ent. Tonight [E]	Whoopi (N) [E]	Happy Family (N) [E]	Frasier (N) [E]	(:31) Scrubs (N) [E]	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [E]	News [E]	The Tonight Show [E]
8	8	NBC	Whoopi (N) [E]	Happy Family (N) [E]	Frasier (N) [E]	(:31) Scrubs (N) [E]	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit [E]	News [E]	(:35) The Tonight Show (N) [E]	(:37) Late Night (N) [E]	
34	43	NICK	Oddparents [E]	Garcia [E]	Full House [E]	Full House [E]	Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]	Roseanne [E]	Roseanne [E]	Cosby [E]
2	2	PBS	Ken Burns American Stories [E]		The Lewis and Clark expedition ends. [E]	(Part 2 of 2) [E]	(DVS) [E]	BBC World News [E]	That's My Boy [E]	Charlie Rose (N) [E]	
38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) ★ ★ ★ "Waterworld" (1995) Kevin Costner, Dennis Hopper. [E]				Star Trek: Next Gener. [E]	Star Trek: Next Gener. [E]	Oblivious [E]	Oblivious [E]	
61	41	SPK	Real TV [E]	Real TV [E]	Real TV [E]	Real TV [E]	Star Trek: Next Gener. [E]	Star Trek: Next Gener. [E]	Oblivious [E]	Oblivious [E]	
39	51	TLC	While You Were Out [E]		Clean Sweep Old wallpaper needs changing. [E]		In a Fix Marriage proposal and improvements. [E]	In a Fix A family room is a shambles. (N) [E]		Rides "Road to Riddler" Riddler trophy. (N) [E]	
28	37	TNT	Law & Order "Bitch" [E]		Law & Order [E]	(DVS) [E]	Charmed [E]	Angel "Home" [E]		The X-Files [E]	
51	86	TRAV	Food Crazy [E]		Made [E]	Made [E]	Kings of the Road [E]	Food Crazy [E]		Made [E]	Made [E]
21	82	TVLND	Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]	All-Family [E]	All-Family [E]	All-Family [E]	All-Family [E]	All-Family [E]	Sanford [E]	All-Family [E]
60	89	UNIV	Mariana de la Noche [E]		Bajo la Misma Piel [E]		Casos de la Vida Real [E]	Impacto [E]	Noticiero [E]	En las Mejores Familias [E]	
20	34	USA	Law & Order [E]		★ ★ ★ "Spy Game" (2001) [E]	Robert Redford, Brad Pitt. [E]		News [E]	Law & Order [E]	Sisco [E]	
12	3	WB	Friends [E]	Everybody-Raymond [E]	Gilmore Girls "Dear Emily and Richard" [E]		High School Reunion [E]	News [E]		Friends [E]	Will & Grace [E]

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36	53	A&E		Biography: John Wayne Gacy: Monster		American Justice "Playing With Fire" (N) [E]	City Confidential [E]		Third Watch "Castles of Sand" [E]	Castles of Sand [E]	Biography: John Wayne Gacy: Monster	
4	6	ABC		My Wife and Kids	My Wife and Kids	Extreme Makeover (N) [E]	Stephen King's Kingdom Hospital (N) [E]		News [E]	(:35) Nightline [E]	(06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) [E]	
26	48	ANPL		Most Extreme "Disguise" [E]		The Crocodile Hunter Diaries (N) [E]	Animal Precinct Menacing-looking mastiff. [E]		Most Extreme "Disguise" [E]		The Crocodile Hunter Diaries	
63	54	BRAVO		Sexiest Moments in Film: Scenes		★★★ "No Way Out" (1987, Drama) Kevin Costner. job leads a Navy officer into a deadly game. 'R' [E]		A Pentagon [E]	The West Wing "Celestial Navigation" [E]		"No Way Out" (1987) [E]	
7	11	CBS		Survivor: All-Stars "Pick a Tribemate" (N) [E]		The King of Queens (N) [E]	The Stones "Pilot" [E]	48 Hours Investigates [E]	News [E]	(:35) Late Show Courtney Love. (N) [E]	The Late Late Show	
24	50	DISC		Stink! Ten Smelliest Animals		The Real Miami Cops [E]		The FBI Files "The Price of Greed" [E]	Secret Science of the Bible [E]		Antony & Cleopatra: Battle at Actium [E]	
33	44	DISN		Kim Possible [E]	The Proud Family [E]	Even Stevens [E]	Sister, Sister [E]	Lizzie McGuire [E]	"The Luck of the Irish" (2001, Fantasy) Ryan Mer- riman, Alexis Lopez. [E]		(2001, Fantasy) Ryan Mer- riman, Alexis Lopez. [E]	
49	81	E!TV		Britney Spears Singer Britney Spears.				Celebrities Uncensored		Howard S. [E]	Howard S. [E]	Celebrities Uncensored
22	56	ESPN		NBA Basketball		College Basketball: NIT First Round				SportsCenter (Live) [E]		Outside [E]
54	57	ESPN2		College Basketball: NIT		High School Basketball		WTA Tennis Pacific Life Open -- Quarterfinals. [E]	Open -- Quarterfinals. [E]		College Basketball: NIT	
32	46	FAM		★★★ "The Flintstones" (1994) John Goodman.		Who? [E]		Who? [E]	The 700 Club [E]		Videos [E]	
59	-	FIT TV		Bodies [E]		In Shape [E]	Workout [E]	Navy SEALs Training [E]	Bodies [E]		In Shape [E]	Workout [E]
35	31	FMC		(:01) ★★★ "Fourteen Hours" (1951, Drama)		(:01) Hour of Stars		(:01) Hour of Stars		(:01) ★★ "Big Trouble in Little China" (1986)		
53	68	FOOD		Emeril Live "Emeril's Potato Recipe Contest" [E]		Good Eats [E]	Good Eats [E]	Spuds Unwrapped Tater trivia. [E]		Unwrapped "Hot Stuff" [E]	Good Eats [E]	Emeril Live "Emeril's Potato Recipe Contest" [E]
13	7	FOX		That '70s Show (N) [E]	American Idol (iTV) (Live) [E]	Arrested Dev. [E]		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith [E]		Cagney & Lacey "A Class Act" [E]		Kojak "Photo Must Credit Joe Paxton" [E]
40	38	FX		Buffy Vampire [E]		★★★ "Kiss of the Dragon" (2001) Jet Li. [E]		★★★ "Dr. Dolittle 2" (2001) Eddie Murphy. [E]				
30	55	FXSP		NBA Basketball: Nuggets at Celtics [E]		Rocky Mt. [E]		The Best Damn Sports Show Period [E]		FOX One [E]		Rocky Mt. [E]
5	14	HBO		★★★ "Powder" (1995, Drama) Mary Steenburgen, Sean Patrick Flanery. [E]		PG-13 [E]		★★★ "While You Were Sleeping" (1995) Sandra Bullock. [E]		PG [E]		Making Dead. [E]
62	67	HGTV		House [E]	Before Aft [E]	Weekend [E]	Mission [E]	Curb [E]	Curb [E]	House [E]	Restore [E]	House [E]
58	52	HIST		Modern Marvels Technological breakdowns.		Hunt for Osama and Saddam: Killers [E]		Modern Marvels "Central Command" (N) [E]		Infamous Murders [E]		Modern Marvels Technological breakdowns.
25	35	IND		Seinfeld [E]	Seinfeld [E]	★★★ "Crocodile Dundee II" (1988, Comedy) (PA) Paul Hogan, Linda Kozlowski. [E]		Ripley's Believe It or Not! [E]		★★★ "National Lampoon's Vacation" (1983) [E]		
18	63	LIFE		"It Was Him or Us" [E]		"Liar, Liar: Between Father and Daughter" (1993) [E]		Golden [E]		Golden [E]	The Nanny [E]	The Nanny [E]
23	77	MTV		TRL (iTV) [E]		Video [E]	John Kerry [E]	Direct Effect [E]		TRL (iTV) [E]		Newlywed [E]
3	9	NBC		News [E]	Ent. To- night [E]	The Apprentice [E]		Law & Order "Floater" [E]		Law & Order "Ill-Con- ceived" [E]		News [E]
8	8	NBC		The Apprentice [E]		Law & Order "Floater" [E]		Law & Order "Ill-Con- ceived" [E]		News [E]		(:35) The Tonight Show (N) [E]
34	43	NICK		Oddparents [E]		Garcia [E]	TV Land Awards 2004 (N) [E]		Roseanne [E]		Roseanne [E]	Cosby [E]
2	2	PBS		Great Steam Train Tours [E]		Daniel O'Donnell & Friends [E]		International singer Daniel O'Donnell. [E]		BBC World News [E]		Two's Com- pany [E]
38	83	SCIFI		(:00) ★★ "The Magical Legend of the Leprechauns" (1999) [E]		★★★ "Leprechaun" (1992) Warwick Davis. [E]		★★★ "Leprechaun" (1992) Warwick Davis. [E]		Warwick Davis. [E]		
61	41	SPK		Real TV [E]	Real TV [E]	Real TV [E]	Real TV [E]	Star Trek: Next Gener. [E]		Star Trek: Next Gener. [E]		"World Is Not" [E]
39	51	TLC		While You Were Out [E]		Clean Sweep "Sock It to Me" [E]		In a Fix "Nightmares and Beams" (N) [E]		What Not to Wear Moth- er dons sweats. [E]		For Better or for Worse "Trena and Scott" (N) [E]
28	37	TNT		Law & Order [E]		(DVS) [E]		Law & Order "Precious" [E]		★★★ "Fried Green Tomatoes" (1991) Kathy Bates. [E]		The X-Files [E]
51	86	TRAV		Vegas Pools [E]		World Poker Tour (N) [E]		Vegas Pools [E]		World Poker Tour [E]		
21	82	TVLND		Cosby [E]	Cosby [E]	TV Land Awards 2004 (N) [E]		TV Land Awards 2004 [E]				
60	89	UNIV		Mariana de la Noche [E]		Bajo la Misma Piel [E]		Don Francisco Presenta [E]		Impacto [E]		Noticiero [E]
20	34	USA		Law & Order [E]		Law & Order [E]		Touching Evil "Pilot" [E]		Law & Order [E]		
12	3	WB		Friends [E]	Everybody- Raymond [E]	Smallville "Slumber" [E]		Smallville "Viewers' Choice" [E]		News [E]		Friends [E]
63	54	WB		Smallville [E]	Smallville [E]	Smallville [E]		Smallville [E]		Smallville [E]		Will & Grace [E]