

Series of losses leave woman unable to cope



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• dear abby

DEAR ABBY: I am 21 and having a really hard time right now. My dad left my mom and me about two weeks ago, and I had a miscarriage around the same time.

I told my boyfriend I wanted a break, and now I have feelings for another guy I met about a week ago. He makes me laugh, which I haven't done in weeks. I don't know if I want

to get back together with my boyfriend. I do love him — I just don't know if I want to be with him. Can you please help me? — FEELING LOST

DEAR FEELING LOST: Sometimes when a person doesn't know what to do, it's time to do nothing. You have been through a lot lately — in a sense, you have experienced three "losses." You do not need a love

interest to make demands on you right now. Your mother will need emotional support until she recovers from the breakup of her marriage. You may also need support because of the miscarriage and your father leaving. Your best bet right now is to maintain friendships with everyone and make commitments to no one. You will recover your balance, but for the time being, take a respite from heavy emotions and drama.

DEAR ABBY: I am 27 and two months' pregnant with my first child. Unfortunately, I have reason to believe my husband, "Anthony," 41, is having an affair. Several times in the past month, I have walked into a

room and found him whispering on the phone. Each time he has hung up quickly, and when I asked about it, he said it was "work-related."

When I found a pair of red thong underwear in the laundry that didn't belong to me, he claimed they belonged to his 70-year-old mother who had visited recently.

Anthony also forgot our anniversary.

I am concerned about my baby, and I don't want to be a single mother. Every time I mention my worries about our marriage, Anthony gets angry and threatens to leave. I love him, but is our marriage worth saving? — FRUSTRATED IN

FLORIDA

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Only you can answer that question. Offer your husband the option of marriage counseling in the hope that he'll be more forthcoming in the presence of a referee. If he refuses to go, then go without him, if only to learn why you would even consider tolerating more of his behavior.

DEAR ABBY: I am a girl in sixth grade. My parents are divorced. At school, I'm bullly target No. 1 and my grades are dropping.

I don't know how to talk to my parents, and I have been begging them to let me leave school. Can you help me? — DESPERATE IN DALLAS

DEAR DESPERATE: I'll try. Clip this letter, show it to your parents and tell them you wrote it:

DEAR PARENTS: Your daughter is in trouble at school. That is why she begs you not to make her go — and that should have been your first clue. You are overdue for a serious chat with your child. After that, schedule an appointment with her school principal. Most schools have policies for dealing with bullies, but they can't be implemented if the incidents go unreported. If that doesn't put an end to the problem, go to the school board — and possibly a lawyer. The situation will not improve unless you are prepared to act on your child's behalf, so don't put it off.

SATURDAY EVENING											Eagle Cable S-S&T Telephone				MAY 22, 2004									
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36	53	A&E	American Justice: Shattered Innocence		Cold Case Files A California serial killer. (R)	City Confidential (R)		Crossing Jordan "Conspiracy" (R)		American Justice: Shattered Innocence		36	53	A&E	Biography "Saturday Night Live" "Saturday Night Live" (R)		Biography "Simon Cowell" (R)		Airline (R)		Airline (R)		Biography "Saturday Night Live" (R)	
4	6	ABC	The Nick & Jessica Variety Hour (R)		★ ★ ★ "The Fast and the Furious" (2001, Action) Paul Walker, Vin Diesel. (R) (DVS)			News (R)	(-35) Seinfeld (R)	(-05) Entertainment Tonight Celebrities. (N) (R)		4	6	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (R)		Alias "Resurrection" (Season Finale) (N) (R)		Super Millionaire (N) (R)		News (R)	(-35) Seinfeld (R)	Sports Machine (R)	Diamond Adventures (R)
26	48	ANPL	Crufts Dog Show 2004		More than 18,000 dogs compete. (N)			Crufts Dog Show 2004		More than 18,000 dogs compete. (N)		26	48	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter "Forces of Nature" (R)		Big Cat Magic (R)		The Crocodile Hunter "Forces of Nature" (R)				Big Cat Magic (R)	
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7	11	CBS	Price Is Right Million Dollar Spectacular (N)		The Dick Van Dyke Show Revisited (R)		Carul Burnett: Let's Burn Up the Lights		News (R)	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	7	11	CBS	Cold Case "Lover's Lane" (R)		★ ★ "Reversible Errors" (2004, Drama) (Part 1 of 2) William H. Macy. Premiere. (R) (DVS)		News (R)	(-35) News (R)	(-05) The Outer Limits "Abaddon" (R)			
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49	81	EITV	Celebrities Uncensored		Hollywood Wives' Tales		True H'wood		Wild On...		Howard S. Howard S.	49	81	EITV	American Idol		William Sisters		Good to Be Good to Be		Anna Kournikova		William Sisters	
22	56	ESPN	NBA Basketball: Eastern Conf. Final Game 1 -- Teams TBA				SportsCenter (Live) (R)		Baseball Tonight (R)			22	56	ESPN	MLB Baseball St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs. (Live) (R)					SportsCenter (Live) (R)		Baseball (R)		
54	57	ESPN2	NHRA Drag Racing		NHRA Drag Racing		Baseball Tonight (R)		Billiards: Legends		Fastbreak NBA	54	57	ESPN2	NHRA Drag Racing: NHRA Route 66 Nationals		2003 Poker		World-Poker		Fastbreak		Streetball (R)	
32	46	FAM	"Romy and Michele's High School Reunion"		★ ★ "Home Fries" (1998)		Drew Barrymore. (R)		Funnies Home Videos			32	46	FAM	★ ★ ★ "Good Will Hunting" (1997, Drama) Matt Damon.		Whose?		Switched		Switched		J. Osteen Feed (R)	
59	-	FIT TV	Peak Performance		I Want... (R) Workout		In Shape		Workout		Peak Performance	59	-	FIT TV	Fitness		Peak Performance (R)		Aerobic		Workout		Peak Performance (R)	
35	31	FMC	(-01) ★ ★ ★ "Scandal Sheet" (1985, Drama)		(-01) Hour of Stars		(-01) ★ ★ "David Copperfield" (1970, Drama)					35	31	FMC	(-01) ★ ★ "It Happened in Athens" (1962)		(-01) ★ ★ "Porky's II: The Next Day" (1983)		(-01) "Porky's Revenge"					
53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live (N)		Varsity Cook-Off		Iron Chef Iron Chef Chen is challenged. (N)		Morimoto R.A.W.		Emeril Live	53	68	FOOD	Emeril Live Summer entertaining. (N)		Top 5: Summer Sensations (N)		Summertime Unwrapped		Unwrapped "Snacks"		Top 5	
13	7	FOX	Cops (N)		Cops (R)		America's Most Wanted-Fights Back		She Spies Shane suffers acute memory loss. (N)		Mad TV David Alan Grier: Fred Willard. (R)	13	7	FOX	The Simpsons (N)		Malcolm in the Middle (N) (R)		American Idol "The Phenomenon" (N) (R)		Stargate SG-1 Daniel and Ska'ra return. (N) (R)		The Outer Limits Deadly history lesson in space. (R)	
40	38	FX	(5:00) NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup Series -- All-Star Challenge. (Live)				NASCAR Drivers 360		★ ★ "Double Impact"			40	38	FX	★ ★ ★ "Die Hard With a Vengeance" (1995) Bruce Willis, Jeremy Irons.				★ ★ "Commando" (1985) Rae Dawn Chong					
30	55	FXSP	College Baseball Texas at Texas A&M. (Subject to Blackout) (Live)				Rocky Mt. Rockies		(-15) ★ ★ "Deliver Us From Evil" (2003) (R)			30	55	FXSP	Darts		Boxing		Beyond the Glory (N)		America I, Max (N)		Rocky Mt. Rockies (R)	
5	14	HBO	(5:00) "The In-Laws"		(-45) Real Sports (R)		(-45) Boxing DeMarcus Corvey vs. Floyd Mayweather. (Live) (R)					5	14	HBO	(5:00) "Beavis and Butt-head Do America" (R)		★ ★ "Mars Attacks!" (1996, Comedy) Jack Nicholson, Glenn Close. (R) PG-13 (R)				Six Feet Under "Twilight" (R)		The Sopranos "Long Term Parking" (N) (R)	
62	67	HGTV	Sensible Decorating		Mission Designers' Design		Home Design		Home Smart		Smart Decorating	62	67	HGTV	Designed Curb		Housewares		If Walls Building		House Remember!		Curb (R)	
58	52	HIST	★ ★ "Attila" (2001, Adventure) Gerard Butler, Powers Boothe. The story of one of history's most famous warriors. (R)						★ ★ "Attila" (2001) Gerard Butler. (R)			58	52	HIST	Tora, Tora, Tora: The Real Story of Pearl Harbor The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.		Mail Call (R)		Tales of the Gun		Tactical to Practical Hybrid vehicles. (R)		Tora, Tora, Tora: The Real Story (R)	
25	35	IND	(5:00) ★ ★ "Set It Off" (1996) Jada Pinkett.		★ "Gone in Sixty Seconds" (2000, Action) (PA) Nicolas Cage. A retired thief must steal 50 cars to save his brother. (R)				★ ★ "Terminal Velocity" (1994, Adventure) (PA) Charlie Sheen. (R)			25	35	IND	★ "Gone in Sixty Seconds" (2000, Action) (PA) Nicolas Cage. A retired thief must steal 50 cars to save his brother. (R)				★ "Snake Eyes" (1998) Nicolas Cage. A local cop must solve a high-profile assassination. (R)				"To Live & Die" (R)	
18	63	LIFE	(5:00) ★ ★ "Degree of Guilt" (1995, Drama) Daphne Zuniga. (R)				1-800-Missing (R)		"Vanished-Trace" (R)			18	63	LIFE	"Too Rich: Doris Duke" (R)		The Division (R)		Strong Medicine (R)		1-800-Missing (R)		Wild Card (R)	
23	77	MTV	Challenge Challenge		Challenge Challenge		Challenge Challenge		Challenge Challenge		Challenge Challenge	23	77	MTV	Pimp Ride Pimp Ride		Real World Real World		Wild Boyz Viva Bam		Pimp Ride Punk'd (R)		Viva Bam Pimp Ride (R)	
3	9	NBC	Entertainment Tonight Celebrities. (N) (R)		★ ★ ★ "Jurassic Park" (1993, Science Fiction) Sam Neill, Laura Dern. Cloned dinosaurs run amok at an island amusement park. (R)		News (R)		Saturday Night Live "The Best of Christopher Walken" (N) (R)			3	9	NBC	Dateline NBC (R)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Consumed" (N)		Crossing Jordan "Dead in the Water" (R)		Crossing Jordan "Dead in the Water" (R)		News (R)	(-35) Over-time (R)
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34	43	NICK	Grown Up "Romeo! (N)"		All That (R) Amanda		Cosby		Cosby		Roseanne	34	43	NICK	Garcia Sabrina		Full House Full House		Cosby		Cosby		Roseanne	
2	2	PBS	Keeping Up As Time Goes By		The Lawrence Welk Show "New York Show"		Two's Company		Red Green		Austin City Limits "Spoon; Ben Kweller" (R)	2	2	PBS	Nature "Extraordinary Cats" (R) (DVS)		Masterpiece Theatre "Prime Suspect 2" Detective Oswaldie disastrously pursues the investigation. (N)		Globe Trekker "Northern Thailand and Laos" (R)		Mystery! "Inspector Lyn-Thailand and Laos" (R)			
38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) ★ "Pythons 2"		"Boa vs. Python" (2004) David Hewlett. (R)		★ "Boa" (2000, Horror)		Dean Cain. (R) (R)			38	83	SCIFI	(5:00) ★ "Mosquito"		★ "Skeeter" (1994) Tracy Griffith. (R) (R)				Tripping Scare		Code Name: Eternity (N)	
61	41	SPK	(5:00) ★ ★ "Rocky V" (1990) (R)		Real TV (R)		WWE Velocity (N) (R)		Ride		Trucks! (R) Trucks! (R)	61	41	SPK	Champ Car Racing		Ride		WWE Heat		Ride		Spike 52 Favorite Cars (R)	
39	51	TLC	In a Fix Uncut tiles in kitchen.		Trading Spaces: Family		While You Were Out Fitting a biker's needs.		Clean Sweep Business receipts. (N)		Trading Spaces (N)	39	51	TLC	Sports Disasters		Overhaulin' "Parts Guy"		Trading Spaces: Family Bonus rooms. (N)		Wild Weddings (N)		Wild Weddings (N)	
28	37	TNT	(5:00) "Bad Boys" (R)		★ ★ ★ "Boyz n the Hood" (1991, Drama)		★ ★ "Life" (1999) Eddie Murphy. (R) (DVS)					28	37	TNT	NBA Tip		NBA Basketball: Conference Playoffs -- Teams TBA				Inside NBA		★ ★ ★ "Money Talks" (1997) (R)	
51	86	TRAV	Kings of the Road (R)		Road Trip (R)		Ends of the Earth (R)		Kings of the Road (R)		Road Trip (R)	51	86	TRAV	Millionaire Trailer Parks		RV Crazy! (R)		Rich RV Parks		Millionaire Trailer Parks		RV Crazy! (R)	
21	82	TVLND	GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre	21	82	TVLND	GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre		GreenAcre GreenAcre	
60	89	UNIV	Sábado Gigante		Impacto		Noticiero		Otro Rollo			60	89	UNIV	(5:00) La Parodia		Hora Pico La Jaula		Ver Para Creer		Impacto		Noticiero	
20	34	USA	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law Order CI		Touching Evil (R)	20	34	USA	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order	
12	3	WB	★ ★ ★ "A Few Good Men" (1992, Drama) Tom Cruise, Demi Moore. A Navy lawyer defends two Marines in a comrade's death.				News (R)		★ ★ "Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan" (R)			12	3	WB	Superstar USA		★ ★ "There's Something About Mary" (1998, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Matt Dillon. (R)				News (R)	News Sports	Friends (R)	Will & Grace (R)
99	36	WGN	MLB Baseball: White Sox at Twins				WGN News at Nine (R)		Fresh Pr.		★ ★ ★ "Crimson Tide" (1995) (R)	99	36	WGN	Andromeda (N) (R)		The X-Files "Firewalker" (R)		WGN News Replay		Matlock "The Ex" (R)		In the Heat of the Night (R)	

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