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How to be a Pickup Artist

A Practical Reference

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Foreword

by John Henson, co-founder, Charisma Sciences

"Are you a Juggler too?," he asked

I pondered how to answer this question. I had just arrived at a group get-together where I would be meeting Wayne Elise, pick-up artist extraordinaire. An employee of mine from my previous company was a big fan of Wayne's, and told me that I should come to this dinner outing. My assumption was that this was a group of aspiring ladies men, all waiting to meet the master.

"Well," I responded, "I'm decent, but I definitely have some sticking points. More than anything else, I'm here to meet Wayne – I've heard a lot about him, and someone else here thinks we'd get along well."

"Oh yeah, he's great," responded my new, rather portly and balding acquaintance. If this guy was a skilled pickup artist, I thought to myself, I should have *no* problem.

He continued... "You should see it when he pulls out his flaming torches. I mean, I've never seen him do chainsaws, but I've heard he's good with those too."

Ohhhhhhhh. *That* kind of juggler.

And minutes later, I met Juggler. *The* Juggler. The guy whose postings to various internet newsgroups directly inspired thousands of men, and indirectly influenced tens of thousands more. It was fitting that he should chose to meet me not in the role of the legendary pickup artist, but as an ordinary guy; this suits his style. Substance over flash. Genuineness before pretension. Was this my first lesson?

As months went on and we began to spend more time together, his wisdom slowly became my knowledge. I began to develop theories of my own, and I dropped many longstanding beliefs. The clever lines have become irrelevant and I no longer take the first opportunity I can to tell people about my nice car. My arrogance has been checked by a genuine desire to learn about

other people I meet. The false defensiveness that I used as a social shield has been replaced with a strong yet friendly openness. And I am in the relationships I want to be in.

Of course, I have had the benefit of working with Wayne and all of our amazing instructors here at CSI. Seeing how these guys interact with the world has continued to inspire me. I hope we get a chance to meet you and help you as well some day.

In the meantime, here we have it – a collection of Wayne's thoughts on men and women and what makes the two come together. I've been reading through it for weeks, I am still able to find something new every time I go through it.

Much of the book is written as a dialogue between two potential lovers, punctuated with insights into the interactions. You will never find yourself in the same conversation twice, and while you are welcome to use the words verbatim, you will find it works best when you internalize the principals behind the words. That way you will be able to respond to what is given to you, and use her energy – good or bad – to direct the conversation towards building an enjoyable, intimate interaction.

Meditate on these principals. But don't try to put everything into practice at once – try one thing one night and something else the next day. When it clicks, you will know it.

Most importantly, continue to learn, improvise and develop your own personality. There is no way to cover every situation or every outcome in this material, but with enough experience, you will handle women, cold and sweet alike, with confidence.

Of course, if you'd like to expand your knowledge about what Wayne writes here, or see this stuff put into action, head over to www.charismasciences.com. There, you can find more of our materials, read our weblogs, and check out our upcoming events schedule to see when we are coming to a city near you.

All the best on your journey, JH

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A Letter to the Reader

Dear friend,

This book is written in an unconventional manner. It is designed to help you in multiple ways. There are tips and suggestions to assist you in your interactions with women, but this book was also created to work on your attitude and put you in the first-person shoes of a ladies' man so you can learn incontext.

I have applied layers here. This is not a book to read only once. Keep it on your computer, and re-read the samples from time to time. Do this especially before you go out to meet women. That would make me proud.

The samples are a culmination of situations and people who I have experienced while pursuing the art of connection with women. Except for Elvis, resemblance to any person living or dead, is purely coincidence.

Thanks and good read, Wayne (Juggler) Elise

Note... You do not need to live up to the samples. In general they are abbreviated for the sake of focusing on the key points. Your sexual relationships with women may take longer to develop and they will have their own unique flavor. Bon Appetite.

Chapter 1: The Fundamentals

The inner thoughts...

Beethoven: "What do I have to do to make women desire me?"

Juggler: "You have to be both interesting and interested."

Beethoven: "I think I can be interested enough."

Juggler: "What do you mean?"

Beethoven: "Maybe I'm too interested. Like I just asked this girl from my business-law class out. I took her to a steak and lobster dinner."

Juggler: "What happened?"

Beethoven: "It cost me 75 bucks to find out she just wanted to be friends."

Juggler: "Oh yeah, I know that girl. She is sleeping with Joe, the unemployed guy with five kids by three different women. How does that make you feel?"

Beethoven: (laughing) "Its been almost four weeks. I'm over her now - mostly. Its just frustrating to know that I'm a good guy but women can't seem to see that. They would rather be with some irresponsible guy who just wants to use them for sex and then dump them."

Juggler: "Yes, but I don't blame them. I would rather sleep with Joe too."

Beethoven laughs.

Juggler: "Don't take women on anymore expensive dates."

Beethoven: "Ever?"

Juggler: "Maybe on your third wedding anniversary. But make sure she pays for the valet."

Beethoven: "...Okay."

Juggler: "You're angry with women."

Beethoven: "No, just a little frustrated."

Juggler: "Shut up. You're angry. Its okay. Let it out."

Beethoven: (laughing) "No I'm okay."

Juggler: "I'm serious. Tell me the truth. Part of your problem is you're not letting these &#^\$*! feelings out."

Beethoven: "Yes, I'm mad. I am beginning to hate women!"

Juggler: "Good. That's a necessary step."

Beethoven: "What do I do?"

Juggler: "Well I could give you some fancy lines and gimmicks to use during your dates."

Beethoven: "Okay."

Juggler: "But I am not going to do that. I like you too much. What is going on here is you are asking women out who you meet during your day-to-day life, school colleagues and girls from your gym. These women are socializing with you because, given the situation, they must and not because they have chosen to. Nothing wrong with that. But my guess is you are bulldozing them into going out with you. It probably goes something like this...

'Hey how did you do on that paper?' you ask.

'Fine,' she says.

'I remember how you were talking the other day about liking a well-cooked steak. Have you been to the new Big O' Texas Juicies? It's supposed to be good.'

'No..,'

'You wanna go?'

'What do you mean?'

'Do you want to check it out sometime? It could be fun. I hear they have a mechanical bull.'

'Okay.'

'Great, let me get your phone number.'

Is that how it happens?"

Beethoven: "Basically."

Juggler: "Are you asking her out on a romantic date or as friends or what?"

Beethoven: "I presume she knows what it means."

Juggler: "Bad presumption. You are making your intentions unclear so if she turns you down you can pass it off as a friendly-invitation. This is self-protection at its finest. The technical term is weak-move. If she understands your romantic intention she will think you gutless. If she doesn't, she will just be confused. Either way its a lose-lose."

Beethoven: "Maybe, but surely she should know it was romantic when we went out on our date. I washed my car and wore cologne"

Juggler: "Yeah she probably got it. Attractive women like her usually understand what's up. She knows you are playing it safe and waiting for some type of sign from her that it's okay to reveal your intent. This is called being murky. She hates these murky dates. She knows the murky type of guy who will play the whole date in this safe, murky place while he waits for her to take the lead. This is very unsexy to a woman. Its the pimple of dating techniques."

Beethoven: "Well, why did she agree to go out in the first place if she knew it was going to be, as you say, murky?"

Juggler: "You took her by surprise. She was being friendly. And once she was committed to being friendly she couldn't just turn around and say no way Jose. Most women aren't that strong. They can't even say the word no. She feared that telling you how she felt would make it appear as if she had been dishonest by being friendly. I know it doesn't make sense but that is how many women think.

Now a woman in a different situation would just never return your call or create some excuse. But this woman was in your class. You had her cornered like a thirsty penguin on the fourth of July. She had to keep up the charade and go through with your 'date'.

But of course she was simply putting off the inevitable rejection. She kept hoping you would get the idea she's not into you in that special way. But you didn't want to take any hints. You were persistent. Eventually she had to reject you. Usually this involves her leaving an embarrassed voicemail after you embossed your feelings for all time in a ten-line sonata. And now you have spent so much time and mental energy on her that you feel devastated. Is that how it goes?"

Beethoven: "Pretty much yeah. So what do I do? Can I still get this girl?"

Juggler: "I doubt it. Besides it is not worth spending time fixing problems with women that you will not even have once you learn to do things correctly from the beginning."

Beethoven: "You make it sound mechanical."

Juggler: "Do I? I don't mean too. Dealing with women is actually more of an art. You never know exactly what you will get when you set out with someone. That's why it's exciting. There are brush strokes to learn. But once you get all that, you can begin to try some new color combinations and styles. I'm an impressionist personally.

Look, you are getting the cart before the horse. You believe you can get her thinking you are a good guy, seeing that you respect her and all that garbage. You think that once that is accomplished she will see what a great guy you are and then want to jump your bones."

Beethoven: "I'm guessing you're going to tell me that's wrong?"

Juggler: "Yep. It is the other way around. An exciting and sexual vibe has to come first."

Beethoven: "So you want me to just walk up to women and announce I want to have sex with them?"

Juggler: "Not exactly. But I do want you to create a clear sexual vibe before you ask a woman out."

Beethoven: "But I don't want to be another guy who just wants sex."

Juggler: "What do you want?"

Beethoven: "I want more than that. I want to have a relationship."

Juggler: "Yuck. Why would you want one of those? Just kidding. Relationships are fine. Matter of fact they can be beautiful. There is no other way to get to know someone deeply except over time. But even relationships must begin with a sexual vibe."

Beethoven: "Can't we be friends first?"

Juggler: "Generally no. Interactions with women develop momentum. The longer you have a platonic vibe, the harder it is to turn the corner into a sexual one. You begin to act like a friend. She begins to see you as a friend. Like a snowball rolling down a mountain, you might be able to stop it at the top while it's tiny but once it gets down near the bottom its a fast-moving, giant ball of death!"

Beethoven: "Uh..."

Juggler: "Sorry. I'm feeling dramatic today."

Beethoven: "I don't know if I can make it sexual like you are saying. I don't want to offend her."

Juggler: "Look, I like you. I want you to be successful with women. But you are lying to yourself. You think you are being respectful but you are only protecting yourself by playing it safe. Women find safe guys boring. Take some chances. Up the ante. The ironic thing is that once you start creating a more sexual vibe you will see that it is not even a risky thing to do but rather something women welcome."

Beethoven: "Okay, how do I create a more sexual vibe?"

Juggler: "First you need to reveal your sexual interest. I'll give you are quick story...

A few years ago I was a frustrated dater. I would take a woman to dinner. We would have a nice, safe conversation. I would find out she liked chocolate. She would find out I liked Barry Manilow. I would try to be funny. She might laugh. Then later I would drive her home. We would sit in the car and talk until I could wrestle up the courage to make my move. I mostly got rejected. 'I don't think so!' she would say. Other times she would remember a pressing need to give her cat a bath. Dates were just anxiety provoking.

Then one day I invented a gimmick.

As I was sitting across from a woman at dinner I was inspired to pull a Chapstick lip-balm out of my pocket. I popped the cap off in an obvious manner and made a show of glossing my lips with the stuff. Then I said to her, 'Not that I'm presuming anything, but in case there's any smooching later.'

I'm not sure where that stroke of genius came from. I guess desperation is the mother of invention. It got a laugh and then I went right back into talking about whatever, 'So you are going to be a marine biologist? My cousin fell into the Otter tank at Seaworld.'

We ended up making out in the restaurant parking lot before we had even found my car.

I decided to do the same with all my dates.

It became a win-win. I could tell from a woman's tone if she was up for a physical connection. If she became distant after the Chapstick I would cut the date short and get home in time to watch Seinfeld. But if she stayed in there with me I knew it was ON.

My success with women increased dramatically. My dates would even sometimes initiate the kissing. With my new found confidence I started to slow down and enjoy being around women.

You don't need a Chapstick to do this. That was just the prop I needed to discover this principle. Setting sexual expectations is the important part. Don't even wait until a date. You should do this when you meet a woman. Before you take her number. When your sexual expectation is clear it makes getting a phone number an accounting detail. Then you can spend the phone call flirting. Women love this. They drool over a man who can make it clear and not waste their time on murkiness."

Primer to sexual tension...

Sexual tension in its rawest form is created when attraction is prevented from fulfilling its destiny by an obstacle. Virtually all romance novels have this tension as an underlying premise. 'He was a slave. She was the daughter of a slave owner...'

Sexual tension is why foreplay, and playful teasing and flirting work. Its why married men get hit on. Its why strippers begin their dance with their clothes on. Its why people fantasize about sex in forbidden places. Its why the improbable is always more exciting than the sure thing.

It may help to show you this chart demonstrating some of the differences between sexual obsession and sexual tension.

Sexual obsession	Sexual tension
one-sided wanting sex your desire the goal hurried	two-sided wanting her both your desires the process prolonged
the situation	flirting
orgasm	foreplay

A man in a relationship can spice up his love life immediately with sexual tension. Don't come-on to your girlfriend in the bedroom. That's lame. Instead come-on to her at the library. Whisper in her ear and trail your fingers seductively along her hip. Tell her you want to make love to her between the stacks of books. It will get her hot and when you get home you will have super-hero sex.

As I had to learn the hard way, sexual tension cannot be created in the car at the end of the night. It has to happen way before then because sexual tension is as much about barriers as it is about attraction.

Beethoven: "I'm not sure I understand what you mean by barriers."

Juggler: "Okay. Maybe a story will help. A few years ago I met a woman through a friend who was visiting from out of town. I found this woman so attractive that at first I had a difficult time looking at her. It was like staring into the sun.

While out to dinner with a group of people I began to flirt with this woman. To my surprise she flirted back. But our mutual friend saw this and was not happy. Maybe this weirded him out because he also knew her boyfriend back in New York, who was apparently a real nice guy. Or maybe it was just worlds colliding. I don't know. But throughout the night our friend tried to keep us apart with stern looks and even a private little lecture to me. His efforts only sufficed to turn what may have been casual flirting into a definite hook-up. The more daring our flirts, the more obstinate he became, the more we flirted. Our friend had inadvertently made himself a barrier against which we could build up lots of sexual energy which later had to be released in his wife's knitting room.

Sexual tension is created by being sexual while acknowledging barriers. You don't have to bring along an obstinate friend to do this. There are many barriers all around you. You just have to tune into them and use them to flirt.

You can say, 'I think you are completely sexy. But of course I just met you so I can't tell you that.'

She wants in on the fun too. She does not want to be the static 'target'. When you lead by being sexual while acknowledging barriers, you create safe flirting zones where she can get in on the act as well.

She might say, 'And I can't tell you that your mustache is sexy.'

Another quick story. I was coaching this guy over the telephone. He lamented that he was thirty years old and lived with his parents. He was embarrassed to bring a girl home at night. I told him he was lucky. It was an opportunity. He could say to women, 'I want to show you my fish tank, hint hint. But my parents are there so it may be only the fish that get wet.' He

could use his situation to his advantage. That is what Bruce Lee would have done.

Beethoven: "Okay, that makes sense but I am hesitant to give her reasons to dislike me."

Juggler: "You are thinking too logical. Its not like you are going to say, "I like you but I have herpes." That would be dumb."

Beethoven: "I don't have herpes."

Juggler: "I'm sure you don't. The point is that barriers can be small. They can even be fun. You just need something to push against. That's flirting."

Beethoven: "Can I say something like, "You're sexy but I don't date blondes."

Juggler: "That will usually come across as cocky and trigger her ego to fight you. That is not necessarily bad if you can let a heated response on the merits of blonde-hood roll off you and not get caught up in a battle of attitude. I am not going to say don't do it, but the best barriers are the ones she can agree with easily. That lets her flirt back.

You can say, 'You're sexy but I don't know. A blonde and a guy in a turtleneck. It would never work out.'

And she may say, 'You're right. That is a horrible turtleneck. I may just have to take it off of you.'

Unfortunately most guys waste energy on trying to destroy, play down and hide barriers and never seem to get around to becoming sexual. One of the worst mistakes a guy can make is to destroy obstacles a woman brings up. These are her safety valves that enable her to flirt. Instead he should support them and use them to crank up the tension.

She says, 'I can't get with you I don't know you well enough.'

You say, 'You're right. I would like to kiss you slowly all over your body but I really want to get to know you as a person first.' That will drive her nuts.

Beethoven: "But I read somewhere that a guy should never show sexual interest in a woman."

Juggler: "Whoever said that should be forced to eat Spam. An attractive woman will not initiate a sexual relationship with you. It just makes her feel desperate. It goes against her ego, her biology and most of her fantasies. You have to go first. She longs for a man who can lead her into a sexual relationship.

When a woman meets you a window of potential opens. She wonders if you will sweep her off her feet. If you let that window close she will make the presumption you either do not like her in a sexual way or are a gutless wimp. At that point, even if you are pulling elephants out of hats she will become bored and either place you in the platonic friends category or just vamoose."

Beethoven: "But isn't sexual interest implied?"

Juggler: "That is a common misunderstanding. Sexual obsession is implied. Every woman has the idea in her head that men are obsessed with sex. Ironically, that is not a very sexy thought to her. Sexual obsession is closer to masturbation than sex.

Loving women and being interested in her individual sexuality is sexy and definitely not implied. You must spell that out for her. Showing this type of interest allows her to reciprocate by showing interest in you and that is when things become fun."

Beethoven: "That is very different than how most guys act."

Juggler: "I know. But in a way its not their fault. Watch television or read a magazine and you get sexual obsession hammered into your skull. The prevalent view in society is that sex is a favor to men. And most men have bought into that faulty and unhelpful idea. You see it everywhere. I saw this skanky homeless woman on the street the other day in San Francisco come up to this skanky homeless guy and ask for a cigarette. He gave her one and then said, "Now what are you going to do for me?" in an insinuating tone. I wanted to pull my hair out. That is not a fair trade! He should have asked for a skanky back rub or for one of her good shopping bags - something a little more one-sided.

Women like sex as much as men. Sex is something that is mutually enjoyable. Never act as if sex is a big-deal favor to you. When a woman insinuates that you might get lucky if you do what she wants tell her that you would rather have her clean your car or give your dog a walk. Those things are a pain in the butt and actually mean something.

Even if you are a 35 year old virgin you are not sexually obsessed. Ironically you will get more sex when you act like it isn't a big deal.

Some more great things about sexual tension...

- * She will not be taken by surprise by an abrupt change to the physical.
- * You don't waste time on murky dates. You create sexual tension before you ask her out.
- * Women find a man's sexual desire a turn-on. Women's fantasies are often about being desired for their unique sexuality.
- * Ironically women feel more comfortable with an out-inthe-open sexual acting man than a presume-he-is-hidingsomething platonic acting man.

* Building sexual tension will demonstrate that you are sexually interested in her unique person and not simply sexually obsessed.

A final tip on sexual tension...

Here is a quick way to gauge a woman's expectations on your next date. As she sits down get a peak at the top of her underwear. If you start building in sexual tension earlier on I bet you will start seeing more thongs than cottons.

Is approaching difficult?

Wolfgang: "I have approach anxiety."

Juggler: "I have been demonstrating the art of meeting women for almost four years. I still get approach anxiety. Its natural and will never go away."

Wolfgang: "You don't understand. I have bad approach anxiety. I can't go talk to a strange woman. I just can't do it."

Juggler: "Have you tried talking to a strange man?"

Wolfgang: "No. I'm straight."

Juggler: "That may be. But you don't have to start off with the hot girl. Talk to other people to get into a talkative mood. You like to go to bars right?"

Wolfgang: "We call them pubs."

Juggler: "Whatever. When you walk through the door of your pub see who looks friendly and approachable. Doesn't matter who it is. Just go talk to that person. Don't hesitate."

Wolfgang: "What do I say?"

Juggler: "Just say hi. Ask what's up. Offer to buy that person a beer."

Wolfgang: "I thought we weren't allowed to buy drinks."

Juggler: "Of course not. When they say, 'Sure thing I would love a pint,' pat yourself on the pockets and say, 'Damn I forgot my wallet.' That's when they will offer to buy you one."

Wolfgang: "I thought we weren't supposed to drink in the field."

Juggler: "You're not. It clouds your judgment and makes you have to pee. You will take that pint over to someone else and give it to them and volia you have made two friends."

Wolfgang: "That sounds wacky."

Juggler: "I know. But the point is you want to have fun and not take yourself too seriously. Anxiety is created when we think about ourselves too much. Think about other people. Try to make them laugh. Try to make them happy. That's how you make friends. The more friends you have out there the more options you have. Women are attracted to social guys."

Wolfgang: "Then what do I do?"

Juggler: "After you get warmed up you can start approaching other women."

Wolfgang: "I think I might still be scared."

Juggler: "Most women at the pub are going to be with other girls or groups of people. You don't have to approach the ice princess. Approach the ones in her group who are the most outgoing and friendly."

Wolfgang: "Which ones are those?"

Juggler: "You get a sense for it after awhile. In general they are the ones who are doing more of the talking. It can be tempting to talk to the quiet ones but they are quiet for a reason. They usually won't give you much back. You want someone who is going to get involved."

Wolfgang: "What if the quiet one is the cute one?

Juggler: "Often she is. But she will feel more communicative once she sees her friends liking you. Then you can slide over."

Wolfgang: "I get nervous just thinking about approaching a single girl at the park during my lunch break."

Juggler: "Here is a trick to get you started. Ever see a girl sitting down who you think is hot but you don't get the nerve up to approach her? Then when she stands to leave you see her butt is like a kilometer wide and as she turns she has a fist-sized, hairy mole on the other side of her face?"

Wolfgang: "No."

Juggler: "Okay maybe its just me."

Wolfgang: "But I know what you mean."

Juggler: "Good. How do you feel when that happens?"

Wolfgang: "Like I was foolish to be afraid of talking with her. Like she would have been lucky to have me go talk to her."

Juggler: "And if you'd known what she looked like you would not have been nervous, right?

Wolfgang: "Yeah."

Juggler: "Well I want you to use your imagination. As soon as you see a woman you want to approach imagine that she has a big hairy juice-filled mole on the other side of her face and a butt two kilometers wide."

Wolfgang: "Really?"

Juggler: "Yep. I have all kinds of scenarios. Sometimes I imagine women as invading androids from planet Notmuchfunatall and I have to blow them up by making them laugh."

Wolfgang: "Juggler, you are a strange dude."

Juggler: "Thanks man. I love you too."

Wolfgang: "Okay I will try it out."

Juggler: "One other thing. Approaches are easiest when you have momentum. For instance if you have been sitting at a table in the coffee shop and it has been thirteen minutes, forty six seconds and you still have not spoken to the hot little French girl nearby it can be very hard to start up a conversation after all that time. But if you leave and go to the counter to buy a cookie it will feel more natural starting a conversation as you return and sit down again, "Vous êtes-vous ennuyé de moi?"

Get Her To Commit

You want a woman committed to the interaction with you. When she is committed she values the interaction more. She sees you as a real person and has put herself on the line as well. For her to commit she has to feel you are committed. Like most things with women, it is best when you lead.

It is normal for an attractive woman to have initial resistance to talking with a strange man or else she would not have time to even wash her panties. A ladies man expects that. Its just part of the game.

Commit yourself. Approaching women is like Karate-chopping boards. A Karate master knows that breaking boards is not so much a demonstration of skill as it is one of commitment. He must have no doubt or fear. He must hit with speed and power. If he holds back or is tentative the board will break his hand instead of the other way around.

A ladies man does not hold back when approaching women. He approaches in a way that is fully committed. He knows that is the only way to protect himself from rejection. A woman would have to reject his person and not simply an approach.

The presumption women make about men is that they are insincere. She thinks you are just trying to get something from her and that is not sexy. So amp up your expressions and body language as you talk. PERFORM your words. Show her you care about what you are talking about. This makes you appear more sincere and will get her listening and reacting to you, and not in her head thinking about how to deal with the typical needy guy.

Have a strong presence

You have probably heard the term 'stage presence'. This is a fancy term that refers to a performer's ability to appear unruffled and calm under the pressure of an audience's glare. Watch a successful politician speak. Typically his body movements are limited to reinforcing the points and emotions that he is trying to convey. There is no nervous wobbling of the feet. His body is erect and his chin is up. Before he speaks he will often take a moment to quietly look out at his audience. This broadcasts his strength and focuses the audience on what he is about to say.

The stronger your presence, the more comfortable women will feel around you. Maybe they feel protected or maybe they just take on your vibe. I just know that is how it works.

Presence is created by limiting unintentional (nervous) words or movements.

When you limit your unintentional (nervous) words and movements you render your intentional words and movements more discernible. You will have uncluttered your communication. This will make your expressions more powerful and easily understood. This is presence.

* Use a mirror or even better, videotape yourself talking for five minutes about your day. You will probably hate your voice - everyone does. But you will discover many things about yourself that you did not know were there.

Body position...

The most important rule is to look relaxed. Whatever that takes. In general taking up more space makes you look more confident but while being hunched into yourself makes you look more timid.

Movement...

It is not necessarily about big movement. Is is about increasing the signal to noise ratio. You can do that by increasing the signal or lowering the noise or both.

Concentrate on moving the parts of your body that you need to express while keeping everything else still. This increases your signal to noise ratio. Try locking your body and only using facial expressions as you speak. Or only your hands. Notice the effect these have on your listeners.

The more clear and uncluttered you can make your message the more women will enjoy listening to you.

It is okay to talk with your hands. But...

Keep your hands low so as to be non threatening. A good guideline is to keep your hands roughly below your bellybutton.

Keep strong outward hand gestures to an angle away from her unless you are in kung fu class. Hi-hah!

Pointing at her in conversation is an intense move. A nice alternative effect can be accomplished by turning your hand over whilst you roll your palm and fingers outward toward her. This gives a 'and now to you' effect to her and is smoother than pointing a finger.

Use your hands in sync with your words. When you say, "The park is too big but I like the way this garden makes me feel at peace," make an open encompassing gesture followed by a smoothing one or some such equivalent. Aligning your gestures with your words lends power to both.

Keeping your hands still while you are listening shows your calmness. For a nice effect you can also freeze your hands in dramatic positions for a second as you pause for your point to sink in.

Sometimes you will have to talk exclusively with your hands. If I am in a loud club I will often just shrug my shoulders at the inability of the girl and I to hear each other and start doing Juggler Sign Language - which makes no sense at all but is buckets of fun.

Say no to verbiage.

Try to eliminate useless words and phrases.

Phrases such as, "You know," broadcast insecurity by subtly checking for approval.

Saying "uh," and my personal bane, "and," too much, clutter up your message. Using these is a sign you are feeling unsure of being able to hold a woman's attention. You are creating a constant stream of sound so that she cannot change the subject or say, "I gotta go.". You are denying her the **choice** to listen to you.

Choose plain language

Use plain language whenever possible. Notice how advertising and popular songs use common and easily digestible language. These marketers and songwriters are adept at connecting quickly with people. Follow their lead.

Another benefit in using common language is that you will be free to concentrate on the vibe you are projecting.

Talk in primary colors. Don't hedge you language. Give up the need to be exact or correct in exchange for being bold.

A final thought on presence and body language...

Bringing out strong presence and getting your body language in shape may impress women. But that is not really the purpose. That would just pander to your approval-seeking side. The purpose is to make women feel comfortable enough to be part of an intimate interaction. It's not really about you.

Alpha suggestions

Who is the Alpha Male? Some would say that we are genetically predisposed to "alpha" or "beta" roles within interactions. However, there are conscious things you can do to improve your confidence and interaction skills.

Small things add up to large ones. Here are many itty bitty suggestions. Taken on their own they are nit picky. Used together, they are a re-wipe of your personality.

- * Use presumptions to presume you will get good service at all times.
- * Replace the word 'need' with 'want'. You don't NEED a ride to the airport you WANT one. No matter how desperate you are, you want, maybe you like but you never need. Stagger out of the dessert, "I want a glass of water." Own it.

Ironically saying you need is a way to disown your needs. It is really saying, 'Something else that is bigger and more important than me is demanding this. So don't blame me if you don't want to give me this. I would never be presume to think you would give this to mere me.'

What you are afraid to say is, 'I am important enough to want this for myself.'

Saying 'want' places the whole thing on you. On your authority. Own it.

- * When a woman tells you her problems she doesn't really want you to fix them. Memorize this phrase, "I have confidence that you will be able to take care of this yourself."
 - * Replace service questions with service statements.

Again, it is an esteem issue. Asking the taxi driver, "Can you take me to the airport?" is a way to avoid letting her know your needs and wants are important. Try, "I would like to go to the airport."

* Don't Steer. Cheap salesman and bad waiters steer. "Is that food good?" is bad.

"How is the food?" is better. Be a good waiter.

- * Don't say, "You know?" or "See what I'm saying." These things are ways to subtly check for approval.
- * Try to be for and not against. It is just plain easier to be against something. Negativity is the cult of the weak. There is no risk in being against something but there is no power.
- * Limit modifiers. I am most often guilty of this one. I catch myself saying that movie was pretty cool instead of saying it was cool. We use modifiers when we are afraid to speak in bold colors. In our quest to be exact we only become fuzzier.
- * Limit your television viewing. TV is a constant input into your soul. But a pick-up artist needs to create. He needs more output from himself.
- * Play dumb. There is no profit in being a know-it-all. There is power and much fun to be had in being taught to dance or

I get a lot of mileage out of not knowing the day of the week.

Me: "This is Friday."

Her: "No it's Saturday."

Me: "Are you sure? I do my laundry on Friday."

Her: "Well you must have done your laundry twice this week."

Me: "Huh... It really feels like a Friday."

Her: "I am going to get the newspaper."

- * Never show jealousy.
- * You don't need her approval

You care about other people but don't take yourself too seriously. You have learned to laugh at yourself. If a girl makes fun of you, you laugh and say, "I like feisty women," Woman find a man who is this way sexy as hell.

You enjoy telling funny stories about your mistakes or most embarrassing moment. No one does this but cool guys who are not tying to prove themselves.

You never want to show that the interaction is that important to you.

Be laid back about yourself. Don't try to sell yourself.

* Have fun and enjoy yourself. Be in the moment because that is all you have.

Get your style together

I am far from perfect. In my mid-thirties and I still get pimples. I am very skinny yet I have a fat chin like a turkey and unfortunately my parents decided to save the money on the orthodontist and buy a swimming pool instead. But fortunately they make smart clothes and toiletries which can distract from our flaws with a little hipness.

Hot chicks do not want to be seen with an engineer who looks like an engineer. They want to be seen with an engineer who looks like a record producer. So you will be bringing out your inner record producer. Fortunately the world is shallow and packaging is now part of the product - this plays perfectly into your plans. If you are low to average on the looks scale you can become average to good-looking and if you are especially attuned to hip clothing you can even enter the rarified air of super-cat.

Consult magazines such as GQ, Details and Blender. Check out other guys who look hip. Fly to France if you must. Collect ideas and then go to the stores. If you are in LA try Melrose Avenue. NY has Fifth Avenue, London - Soho, Sydney - Oxford street, Detroit - Royal Oak, Bakersfield - well you may have to drive a little.

Pick up one of your more hip friends and make a day of it.

Clothes...

When in doubt spend the cash. Go upscale and less conservative. Select items with good detail - women have eyes for micro things like thread count and intricate pattern. In general, if it looks like it was a pain in the ass to make that is good.

You are going to look great with some contrast in your wardrobe. Wear something casual under something fancy. Personally these days I am having good effect with a suit coat with a baseball cap and printed T-shirt.

Good blue jeans are a must these days. Women spend hours agonizing over which jeans their butt looks best in, and have developed a trained, if unconscious eye for quality. A&G, Paper Denim, Diesel, and Damagé (pronounced dah-ma-j) are all popular brands these days.

Colors...

There are certain colors which you look best in. It may be wise of you to consult a professional. Wear shades that make people see your friendly, approachable side. You want friendly colors that make people feel comfortable around you. Baby blue, orange and pink are great colors that create a warm vibe.

Even though you may look like a bad-ass, avoid wearing too much black as that can intimidate people.

Use your better judgment to steer clear of ethnic stereotypes. It took me many years to realize that khaki pants and a dress shirt make me seem the typical un-hip white guy. Asian men should be careful of wearing too much black or piercings unless they be mistaken for a triad. Heavy jewelry on a black man will make him into a caricature. Latino men should avoid aboriginal patterns.

It's fun to look different than your peers. If you are a college kid dress like a wealthy banker. If you are a banker dress like a bad-ass rapper. If you are a rapper dress like a European.

Hair...

You know that space above your eyebrows and above the back of your neck? That is one of your best assets. I highly recommend spending \$60 for a stylist or at least buying some goo and going to town with your creativity. Chicks dig interesting hair.

If you are balding don't worry. Some of the sexiest men ever were bald. Just shave it and you can easily be seen as the next sexual guru. Now put on your new you and go walk back and forth in front of a sorority. If you don't get more attention from women take your clothes back and get something less conservative.

Accessories...

Women will start conversations with you if you give them something to use. Wear things that women can comment on. A huge oversized watch is fun. A shirt with some foreign writing will get them to ask for the translation. When looking at accessories ask yourself, 'what could someone ask about this?' If questions come to mind buy it.

For comprehensive information on fashion, hair, accessories, and more, check out our forthcoming Style Guide.

Chapter 2: Conversation Dynamics

Your first instinct

As you listen to a person speak your first instinct may be to either agree or disagree. We all do this as part of the normal process of evaluating information. I am thankful that the guys who put together the airplane I am riding on right now had this instinct. When designing airplanes or submarines or heart monitors it is important that everyone is on the same page. If the designer says .05 nanometers I don't want the fabricator to just decide .06 nanometers sounds more fun.

Listening to a woman socially, however, takes a different type of listening. You do not evaluate information in the same way. It is more important to vibe than to find truth.

If your first instinct is to argue about truth you are not dominating anyone's reality but rather are coming across unsure of your own. Else why would you need for other people to agree. Men with strong realities simply pull people into them. They do not have to push them on other people.

A helpful mind-shift that you could make when dealing with women socially is that reality is relative. Just believe there is no objective reality. Whether this is true or not doesn't matter. Don't believe me? Well that is your reality. Hah! This is a mind frame that will help you build connections with women. Just decide to let women have their own reality.

The accuracy of details is unimportant. Relating to the feeling behind the thought is what counts. Once you get in the habit of doing this you will find a whole new way of connecting with women.

Make it easy...

There is a difference between making something easy and making something guaranteed.

When something is easy you hold on loosely and enjoy the process. It means you don't care so much as to get your pride involved. You leave room for fortunate coincidences because you are relaxed. The amateur tries to squeeze out the effects of chance. The professional uses his skills to put himself into a position to take advantage of chance.

Always seek to make your success with women easy and not guaranteed.

Interaction as art...

Men and women will become incredibly boring to each other if the art of connection ever becomes a quantified science. Those who adhere to strict rules and structure of human interaction tend to leave their personalities behind. They become stiff and wooden. Always in their wooden heads thinking their wooden thoughts and rarely in the moment.

This book contains guidelines and rules. Consider them a starting point. But picking up women will remain in good part an art that cannot be quantified. The funny thing about art is that you cannot create it entirely on purpose. Art always needs a dose of the inexact and lumpy. Perfection can sometimes happen but it can not be achieved entirely on purpose. As you bring out the pick up artist in yourself leave room for the imperfect and unexpected in your dealings with women. Have fun.

Back in caveman days...

Men evolved to pursue women who were beautiful. Beauty equated with health and we needed healthy children who could carry on our genes. A man spotted a woman who fit the bill, took her to his cave and that was that.

Women had no say in selecting their mating partners. Other men who were stronger may have been able to push weaker men aside but women had no role in this.

However there is mating, and then there is mating. Women did have a role in selecting which sperm made it to their eggs. The sperm who succeeded belonged to the men who could make her feel sexual, open, free...

A woman's fantasy is to for you to bring out her sexual animal. She wants to roar. She checks you out for clues that you can do this. Do you make people relaxed and open? Do people trust you? Do you look as if you have a wild side that can bring out her wild side? From afar she can only make guesses. She learns much more from talking with you. She can sense within a few seconds if you could possibly be the one. If you are relaxed and comfortable and have a good vibe she will want to know more.

Be a lover...

A woman is turned on by your appreciation for her. She feels tingly when you tell her you like her thoughts on the universal oneness. She becomes infatuated when you laugh at her funny dancing. She becomes excited when you find the freckles on her shoulders incredibly sexy.

She knows you will make a great lover when she sees you are unafraid of speaking about your appreciation and desires. She will listen and yearn to be one of those things which you seek to possess.

She will attempt to seduce you. This begins small with you noticing her smile or even her cleverness. She wants to impress you. She wants your approval.

Showing your appreciation is how you move your relationship with a woman from strangers to lovers. At each step you show a new level of appreciation.

"I like your scarf. You have good fashion sense."

"You were in the circus? I find that so cool."

"The brown specks in your eyes are beautiful."

"You have a sexy tightrope walker's walk."

"Your lips feel so soft."

"That feels great. I want to give you a ribbon or something."

For some reason many men are stingy with their approval. They feel giving it away makes them needy somehow. But your approval is like currency. If you never spend it then it is the same as not having any.

The key to appreciation is that it must appear genuine to her. It helps if you...

- * Discover and appreciate unique things about her.
- * Show that you like her mind too.
- * Be somewhat poetic, use metaphors. Women love that.
- * Mix appreciation with tougness. (see guide to hot girls)
- * Make showing your appreciation a habit, so it comes out easily.
- * Appreciate other people. Women find men who are only nice to attractive women sketchy. But they find men who are warm to people sexy.

She wants to know that you appreciate her uniqueness. If she feels you are showing appreciation just because she is an attractive woman she will devalue you. She believes (rightly so) it takes more than a hot body to attract a man of quality.

Very attractive women can be unexpressive. Their uniqueness is locked inside. If you appreciate her when she feels she is not putting herself out there than she will devalue you for appreciating her for nothing. For these women it takes a bit more. For these women you must put some effort into getting her to put her uniqueness out there.

A ladies' man is not a guy who has women hanging on his every word and laughing at all his jokes. He is a guy who knows how to trigger women to reveal their uniqueness to him. He is a guy who can be seduced. Women express their thoughts, their soul and their sexuality to him. He may use jokes to make her feel more comfortable. He may wear clothes that make her more daring. He may have to be a bastard. Every woman is different. Some women need to hear your story to tell their own. Some just need to be touched on the hip to trigger something. Your intent when interacting with a woman is not to win her approval or push the interaction along. Your intent is to coax her real self out so you can show genuine appreciation.

Mini guide to Hot women...

Hot girls are starved for genuine interest. Guys act weird and artificial around them. They rarely encounter a man who can bring anything real out of them.

To make matters worse these women are rewarded for being artificial. Low self-esteem guys are willing to accept any of her behavior just because of her looks. They feel lucky with just being around her. They buy her things, they pathetically suck up and kiss ass, they give her cuts in line. This is not what she really wants. These hand outs are shallow and unfulfilling and she does not respect the guys who give them. But until a man comes along who has enough strength to bring out and reward the real her she will take what she can get.

Talking with women is not supposed to be difficult. The moment you think you need to be more interesting or better you have fallen into a trap. Hot women especially have a way of

making you think that you must be interesting or talk about fascinating things. That is a mistake caused by not confronting the issue and asking her to act like a real person. You should go the other way and talk about things that are DOWN TO EARTH. But first you must make her behave in a regular way. You can have a normal interaction and talk about normal things. Hot women especially are interested in things like family, travel and puppies.

You: "Hi, what's your name?"

Her: "Does it matter?"

You: "I like you. You have a fun vibe. But you're right. It doesn't matter... if you're going to act like a jerk."

Surprisingly hot women acting badly is a golden opportunity to show some genuine interest. The secret to dealing with girls who are acting badly is to be SWEET but also TOUGH at the same time. Show interest but in the next breath destroy her behavior. If you fail to be mix in the sugar with the medicine you are missing a great opportunity. Mixing sweet and tough has a way of making women believe you are being sincere. They can't possibly imagine you are sucking up if you are also tough.

Let her know just because she is hot does not mean she can act like a juvenile. Have higher expectations.

Her: "I'm sorry. I'm Cheryl."

You: "Nice to meet you."

Her: "Nice to meet you too."

You: "I like your hands."

Her: "Yeah, people say I should be a hand model."

You: "That's a coincidence. People say I should be an ear model."

Don't be above teasing women.

She is hot and cool as ice. You walk up to her.

You: "No one's going to talk to you if you don't smile."

She smiles.

You: "There you go. You got a nice smile. I'm Richard. Richard Nixon."

Her: "Betty."

You: "No, I don't do handshakes. Give me a hug."

She hugs you.

You got to melt these girls with a little... DJ Tough Love.

You: "I feel sorry for you. You're too good looking. The best thing that could happen to you is an industrial accident."

Her: "What are you talking about?"

You: "Shut up. You know exactly what I'm talking about, love. Time for your noogie."

Something I learned from the Irish. You can get away with saying anything as long as you call women Love. All anyone wants to know is that you care for them.

She giggles and runs away as you chase her around the bar. You catch her on the stairs to the restroom, pin her against the wall and make out.

Her: "What do you do for a living?"

Here is where I used to recommend not giving a straight answer. I would have told you to say something like, "I'm a trash collector." But that is old school. It is still trying too hard. It is falling into the trap of believing you must be clever and need some sort of riddle game to keep her attention. Instead build a more authentic connection by being honest.

However, first she has to really care. A woman should act genuinely interested in what she is asking you. If you get the vibe she is not then call it out. Again, you do this by showing some love with your toughness.

You: "I would like to tell you. You are fun. But you are not really interested in what I do. You are just trying to make conversation."

Her: "No I'm really interested. Please tell me."

You: "I work with computers."

Her: "That is really cool. I just bought a Mac."

What do women find interesting? Anything they choose to find interesting. They know almost anything can be a starting point for fun and interesting conversation if they put in a little effort. Have the expectation that women will meet you halfway and make an effort.

You: "Macs are good for graphics. You must be an artist."

Her: "Yeah, I used to be a model but now I'm in fashion design school. I do swatches on my computer."

Her: "I don't know why you act that way."

You: (shrugging) "Some things must remain a mystery."

Her: "Arrgg."

Sometimes women deliberately misunderstand as a way to manipulate you. Hard to get for those of us who are in love with our thoughts but you should be unattached to being understood. In fact being a bit fuzzy and difficult to comprehend is sexy.

Her: "I'm a Maxim model."

You: (pointing your finger at her) "I hate that about you."

You say this with love. This form of flirting is the opposite of sarcasm. Sarcasm is when you say something nice but mean something bad. (avoid sarcasm) But flirting is when you say something bad but mean "I love you."

A few more thoughts...

Always have fun. Don't ever look as if you are upset.

Feel free to give mean looks, stick your tongue out, or laugh when she acts hurt. No one ever does this. Hot women are tired of guys acting careful around them.

Don't do a monologue

Many women will be standoffish when you approach them. This is habitual for the hot ones. This can make you feel intimidated. You may have responded by either seeking out more receptive women (who tend to be less attractive) or you have tried to push the interaction along despite her lack of involvement. This latter response is known as monologue mode and is bad for business.

A woman is into you when she is actively participating in the interaction. If it ever feels as if you are having to do 'everything' you should stop and retrace your steps - you have made a mistake.

Common monologues....

The interrogator:

When you ask a series of questions you are attempting to force a woman into talking with you. But rather than opening up to your curiosity, women feel uneasy with lots of questions. They are likely to respond with non-committal or canned answers. So you are forced to ask another question and you get an even smaller response. So you have to ask another question and on and on. It repeats itself until eventually she says, 'What is this an interrogation?'

When you continue to ask questions despite her lack of involvement you are showing your willingness to go it alone and demonstrating low value.

Curiously some women have built a clever defense to the interrogator. They will turn the tables and start asking you questions. If this happens you might come away from the interaction confused, "She seemed into me but when I asked for her number she just laughed. What happened?" She simply kept you busy answering her questions so you couldn't ask your own.

The performer:

As someone who has earned his living performing this was a difficult one for me to get. I spent many years thinking interaction with women was a referendum on me and I had to prove my worth to women.

When you perform you are trying to win her approval or attention. You are placing her into a passive 'audience' role and yourself into an approval-seeking role. It does not matter how funny your story or amazing your trick. You are demonstrating low value by giving her all the power of approval while not requiring she put herself on the line at all.

An occasional story or trick that you enjoy can be fun and make you a more dynamic person. But be careful of your intent. Are you enjoying yourself or are you just trying to win her attention?

Get her involved

Picking up women is not so much the art of getting them to like you as it is the art of getting them involved. When she is involved both of you have more fun and are on the way to a possible sexual or romantic encounter. Women want to be involved.

Make more statements. Statements reveal something about you and they make her more comfortable sharing.

Girls hear this a lot:

Bob: "What's your name?"

Kate: "Kate."

Bob: "Where are you from?"

Kate: "Australia."

Bob: "What part of Australia?"

Kate: "The Southern part."

Bob: "Where."

Kate: "You wouldn't know it."

Bob: "Come on, I have been all over."

Kate: "I gotta go."

Bob is not being cool. But it is understandable. Once these question trains get started they are generally unstoppable.

What is going on here is that Bob is asking a series of close-ended questions. He doesn't even pause to give his own name. He is getting very small responses from Kate, who by the way was physically attracted to Bob before he opened his mouth. These small responses give him nothing to interact with. It becomes a one word tortured monologue.

Let's see how You do:

You: "What's your name?"

Kate: "Kate."

You: "Nice to meet you Kate. My name is Me. Give me the rock."

(Laughing, Kate gives him the rock)

You: "I like your laugh. Where are you from?"

Kate: "The southern part of Australia. Near the tip."

You: "That's cool. I always wanted to visit there. Great fishing they say."

Kate: "Yeah, my dad runs a fishing boat."

You: "That's it. I am going fishing with your dad. Well, how in the world did you end up in Cleveland Ohio?"

Kate: "It's a long story."

You: (looking around) "We have five minutes. I'm all ears."

Kate: "Well my sister moved to..."

You are cool. You intersperse questions with rewards, statements about yourself and even a command. You are careful about doubling up questions. You share with her your positive judgment and make statements. That relaxes her and allows her to feel free to share and that gives you more to relate to. You come across more interested in what you are talking about.

Her involvement makes everything easier. It can flow. Without involvement you are serving tennis balls at a girl who just happens to be walking by. Involvement is her picking up a racket and stepping onto the court, ready to play.

Chapter 3: The Book Store

Bookstores are great places to meet intelligent women. If you love to read it can be a very natural place for you. Personally I have met many women including a long term girlfriend in bookstores. You will find the most attractive women in the art and travel sections.

She is browsing the fiction section. You walk up beside her and take the book that is right in front of her off the shelf.

You: "Excuse me. You look like an intelligent, well-read person. What is a good book you can recommend?"

We men are obsessed with the content of our words. We labor, analyze and debate over them. But words, especially the first few words are not nearly as important to women as our vibe (how we feel to her). You are loud enough. You know that loud men don't scare women. Quiet men do. You speak slow enough. And you take up enough time with your opener - you give her the time to take in your cool, calm vibe and respond to it rather than responding out of reflex.

The best way to begin a conversation is in the middle. That is why you presume she can recommend a good book. That keeps the question open-ended and interesting.

Her: "Oh I don't know."

You don't respond. This is not her blowing you off. She is thinking. You wait calmly.

Her: "Have you read The flowers of Verona?"

You: "No, what's that about?"

Her: "Its about these old men who take up Salsa dancing to woo a woman they are both in love with."

You: "Wow, that sounds good. And I love salsa dancing, or at least I love it from afar. What's your name?"

Her: "Tanya."

You: "Nice to meet you Tanya. I'm Roger Rabbit."

Tanya: "Nice to meet you too Roger Rabbit."

By getting her to make an effort she feels more comfortable with your personal interest. It is like a reward. People only feel comfortable with rewards they feel they have earned. Much of being a pick-up artist is just maneuvering into a position to be able to show your interest for a 'good' reason.

You: "Hey, what are you doing for the next ten minutes?"

Tanya: "Just looking around."

You: "I noticed there is a coffee shop upstairs. I like talking with you. It would be fun to sit down over a cup of something."

Tanya: "Sure, why not."

The fact that there is now a Starbucks everywhere is bad if you hate the corporate homogenization of the world. But it is good if you are a pick-up artist. Besides, being able to sit down in a more natural conversational environment and going to a secondary location together feels like a date and can only bring you closer.

You order a mocha grande and take the opportunity to chat with the staff. It is fun showing your social side and it lets her put more trust in you.

Being a pick-up artist could be expensive if you paid for every drink. At her offer you let her pay and tell her you'll get the next one. This makes her think about the future with you.

You sit down together.

Tanya: "So where are you from?"

You: "Originally from Transylvania. Now I live LA. It's really the same. There are vampires everywhere."

Okay lets say you not only live in LA, you live in Beverly Hills and drive a Ferrari. Of course you can't say that. Your answer is *not* an opportunity to impress her. Trying to impress her will come across as wanting her approval. You can't do that. You're a force of nature. Trying to impress is a cheap substitute for getting her involved.

Tanya: "What kind of car do you drive?"

Is she a gold digger? This seems out of character.

You: "I take the bus mostly."

This is obviously not true.

Tanya: "I was just asking because I am looking at buying a car and I'm trying to find out if people are happy with their cars."

You: "I'm happy with my bus."

She giggles.

Time to step it up.

You: "So what's your relationship situation?"

You maintain eye contact so that she will tell the truth.

If you want to curl up with a girl from the club you wouldn't ask this question. But if you meet a woman during the day and are going to follow up with a phone number it is very helpful.

There is a saying... "If a girl doesn't like you she has a boyfriend." But if she likes you she's single. That saying is accurate. However in this case you go on that dichotomy. You want the truth.

Every attractive woman has a boyfriend... or two. They are in various stages of hooking up or breaking up. Without information you are flying blind. You want to know what the situation is so that you can make good decisions. And more importantly she has to know that you know.

Put another way, a woman will presume that you want to be her boyfriend. That is the norm she has experienced from most guys. If she cannot be in a relationship with you at this time she has no choice but to reject you now or covertly flake out later. Most women's lives are delicate china shops. She doesn't want a bull running around in there with expectations she can't fulfill.

Finding out her situation and the still pursuing her sexually lets her know that you will be sensitive to her situation and not have unrealistic expectations of being Mr. and Mrs. Rabbit the next day.

Tanya: "I have been going out with this guy for three years."

If she says she is single then fine, you are in. But expect her to be in a relationship. You don't want to sound put off. In fact, I usually suspect there is something wrong with girls who are completely single. This is different from girls saying, "I have a boyfriend," as a defense mechanism. You do this after you have rapport with each other.

You: "How is that going?"

Tanya: "Mmmm okay, I guess."

You: "Yeah I know what you mean. I have been going out with the same girl for a year and... I don't know."

Tanya: "What do you mean?"

You: "I guess I am not that into her."

Tanya: "I know what you mean."

Aha!

Tanya: "I lived with this guy for a couple years and then we have been on and off. I wanted to marry him at first but then last time he proposed I told him I wasn't ready. I'm only 22."

The stage is now set. You both know where each other is at. You have revealed the cracks in your relationships that will justify you hooking up and you both understand it will have to be only a physical thing initially.

Keep in mind you do not want to be her relationship therapist. Don't try to diagnose the relationship or get into details that will only make her think about him. You only need to hear her say she is unsatisfied. Trust me, she would not be talking to you if she was.

You also want to keep the conversation balanced. Relate your own relationship experience. If you don't have any then fake it or talk about a friend's experience.

You: "I like you. I was thinking earlier you were sexy but I'm glad to find out you are also a good conversationalist."

Tanya: "You expected less?"

You: "Yes."

Tanya: "Hey!"

When a woman accuses you of being bad always agree. Always agree.

You: "I thought maybe you misplaced your helmet. Don't get me wrong - a helmet on a girl can be cute."

Tanya: "Where is your helmet?"

Here is where many men who like to tease or be cocky with women get it wrong. They want to tease her while demanding utmost respect for themselves. They regard it as bad if she teases them. They try to top her. She detects an oversensitive ego and teases some more. The guy gets pissed and what was a fun interaction turns into a fight.

People only tease the ones they like. Always go with the teasing. Make fun of yourself. Enjoy the attention.

It is comedy rule #4 You can't make fun of others while taking yourself too seriously. Always be prepared to tease yourself. There is not a comedian alive who can take himself too seriously and keep his job. An audience always senses a thin skin.

You: "I left it on the bus. The short bus. I hope you are not into those boring guys who are in their right minds. You know once you go autistic you never go back."

She giggles.

You: (looking in your cup) "Damn I'm addicted to chocolate and my mocha is gone. I have to go but I would like to see you again."

Tanya: "That would be great."

You hand her your cell phone. She inputs her number. You take the phone back and call the number. Her purse starts ringing.

You: "Now you have my number. Rabbit is spelled with two Bs."

Women never pick up a number they don't recognize so now she will see your name when you call.

That's it. The heavy lifting is done in the sexual message. She knows why you are interested and has accepted it.

2 days later...

You call Tanya...

Tanya's Voicemail: "Hi this is Tanya. I'm out conquering the world. Leave a message." Beep.

You: "Hi Tanya this is Roger Rabbit. I'll try you back after I get out of my pottery class around eight."

Sound upbeat and fun. Give her a time when you will call back so she knows to expect your call. Don't ask her to return your call. Most women won't and you don't want to be anxiously waiting by the phone.

7:45 PM.

You call a buddy to get in a conversational mood...

This helps if you are nervous. Do not tell him you are about to call a girl or the conversation will be about her and that will just make you anxious. Talk about fun stuff. Get in a good mood.

8 PM.

You call her...

Her: "Hello."

You: "Hi Tanya, this is Roger Rabbit."

Presume the person answering is Tanya. Even if it does not sound like her. That way you sound sure. Sounding sure is more important than being right.

Her: "I'm sorry... this is Gladdis, Tanya's Aunt. She wanted me to answer the phone for her. I'll go get her."

Tanya: "Hello."

You: "Hi Tanya, this is Roger Rabbit. I must say you have a very young sounding aunt."

Don't explain who you are or where she met you unless she asks. You want to sound confident she will remember you.

Tanya: "Hi... Yeah, she's like my age."

Her tone sounds happy. She as expecting your call.

You: "Did you miss me?"

Tanya: (laughing) "Sure."

You: "I had fun with you the other day."

Tanya: "Me too."

You: "What are you doing right now?"

Tanya: "I'm working on a biology paper."

You: "Will you put it aside and talk with me for ten minutes?"

This is the most important step of the telephone call. You have to ask her to make a commitment to have an undistracted conversation. Allowing yourself to converse with a distracted woman shows her you don't value yourself enough to insist on her full attention. Make it a life rule not to have conversations with distracted people.

Don't be a jerk. Just be resolute. If she is watching television ask her to turn it off. If she is baby-sitting tell her to lock the kid in the closet. If she is driving her car tell her you will call her in an hour.

Give her a timeframe such as five or ten minutes to make her feel comfortable. You can always go over it once you are having fun. Tanya: "Uh sure."

You: "So what have you done since we met?"

Tanya: "I went to my brother's baseball game."

You: "That's cool. I went to my sister's soccer game. And I cured cancer. Okay I might be fibbing about that last one."

She laughs.

You: "So what are you wearing?"

Her: "Overalls and a sweaty Oakland As cap."

You: "Okay, that could be sexy... if I use my imagination."

Her: "What are you wearing?"

You: "A space suit."

She laughs.

You: "I like talking with you."

Tanya: "Me too."

You: "I want to see you."

Tanya: "That would be good."

You: "Let's get together for a drink. I know this chill place around the corner from me."

Keep it simple. It is not about the date. It is about the two of you. Choose a place that is close to your home. A place where no one hangs out who is better looking than you. Dim neighborhood bars where old people go to drink are great.

Tanya: "Okay."

You: "Cool you can meet my housemates, they are great. Say 8 pm. I live at 123 Main street."

It is always good to mention other people in your life like friends, ex-girlfriends, housemates, family etc. This makes her feel that other people know and trust you.

Arrange to meet at night and not during the day. Hooking up during the daytime is weird but it is almost default at night.

Tanya: See you then."

You: "Bye."

Chapter 4: A House Party

Women are social and relaxed at parties. Everyone has a stamp of pre-approval. Women will generally believe you are not an axe-murderer. Beginning conversations is easy. Women have to be nice to you because you might be a friend of their friend. No one will look at you weird for talking with a stranger. You can even be labeled a dud if you don't socialize and be interested in other people.

But that level of social environment also means that a girl can get pulled away at a moment's notice. There can literally be hundreds of distractions and friends who she hasn't seen in years, seemingly being beamed down from orbiting spaceships.

To make much headway at a party it is almost mandatory that you get away together and go for a walk or visit the coat room or see what is in the backyard. See if you can get the host to let you set up a tent.

Another challenging side of parties is that if you act badly (and I sometimes do) you can isolate yourself from a whole social network. Tread carefully.

You: "Hi, I'm Greg Brady."

Her: "I'm Barbie."

You: "Nice to meet you Barbie."

Barbie: "Nice to meet you."

That is all the opener you need at a party.

You: "How do you know our hostess?"

Barbie: "Our what?"

You: "Its an archaic term meaning the person who is putting on the party."

Barbie: "Archaic?"

You turn around.

You: "Hi, I'm Greg."

Her: "I'm Heather.

You: "Nice to meet you Heather."

Heather: "Same here."

You: "So how do you know Betty?"

Heather: "Who?"

You: "Betty lives here."

Heather: "Oh, she's my sister's boss."

It is important to understand the relationships between people at a party. This can keep you from making embarrassing blunders and help you establish comfort by spelling out your connection to other people.

Heather: "How about you?"

You: "I was just driving by."

Heather: "You're kidding."

You: "Yes I am. Betty is my cousin's ex-wife. So how long have you been doing yoga?"

Making a presumption is a good way to introduce a topic of conversation. Of course you may be wrong. So get comfortable with being wrong.

Being attached to being right is a disease - an approval seeking habit. Get rid of it. Presumptions allow you to sound more sure. It is better to sound sure than to be right.

Positive presumptions also show you are accustomed to dealing with interesting people. Women will want to live up to your expectations.

In any case, almost all women are into yoga.

Heather: "What makes you think I do yoga?"

You: "I get intuitions about people. My grandmother was a professional gambler."

Heather: "Well, you're right. I just started taking yoga at the Y."

You: "What do you think so far?"

Heather: "Its tough."

You: "I know what you mean. I tried this one pose, it was called dog barking at the moon or some such. Its like you twist your trunk around and put your feet backwards and end up staring at the ceiling over your butt."

She giggles.

You can never say butt too much.

You: "Don't laugh. Its really f*cking hard."

She giggles some more.

This is a case by case basis, but it can be good to swear. This is especially true if you are like me and have a very white-bred and un-hip appearance. Women seem to love it. Most guys are too careful around women. They don't want to do or say the wrong thing. By swearing you show you are in touch with your reckless side and women find that sexy.

You: "I like your laugh. Who are you here with?"

You need to know this information so you can make appropriate plans. The probability of getting physical at a party is very high as long as a woman didn't come with her boyfriend.

Heather: "My sister and her friend."

Perfect. Every woman hates her sister and there are none of her own friends there who would inconveniently remind her about her boyfriend who is helping feed starving refugees in Bangladesh.

You: "I have another intuition about you."

Heather: "What?"

You: "Forget it."

Heather: "What?"

You look around as if you don't want to be overheard and then take her hand.

You: "Let's go sit in the other room."

Halfway there you run into some dude who knows her.

Dude: "Hey Heather. Long time no see."

Heather: "Oh my God! Dude, how are you?"

His name is actually Dude?

Dude: "My name's not Dude. Its Kevin."

Heather: "Its a euphemism. Hi Kevin. I think I still have a pair of your shorts."

Women hook up. Don't be jealous. Just practice safe sex.

Kevin: (in a familiar tone) "Yeah, can I come over later and get them?"

Heather: "Sure, my housemates will be up."

Kevin: 'I don't care about the housemates."

Heather: "We gotta go."

Heather: (to you) "He's just a friend."

You walk about three steps when another dude comes up. He blocks the way. He is tall, muscular and good looking. He has plastic beer cups in both hands.

Dude: (ignoring you) "Hey baby. You look good. What's going on?"

Heather: "Not much."

Dude: "Damn you sexy."

You: "Thanks."

Dude: "I wasn't talking to you."

You can have fun dealing with guys like this. The secret to handling hostile hecklers is to never defend yourself or appear visibly upset. Always be on the offensive in an easy off-hand manner. This is a two step process.

You: "Hey I know you. Do you work at the Main street or Fourth street Burger King?"

Step 1) This is a form of presumption. Where a positive presumption is a good way to begin conversations, a negative presumption is an evil way to deal with nasty intruders and hecklers. Just presume something unflattering and ask a sincere sounding question about it.

Dude: "What? No, I don't work at Burger King man. I got my own construction company."

You: "Its alright. I believe you. You have nothing to prove to me."

You: (to Heather) "Do you want to stay and talk with this guy?"

Step 2) Ask her if she wants to see the guy's show. If she likes him then so be it. Walk away. You have lost. But in 90% of the cases she will say no and you can leave him standing in the dust.

Heather: "Not really."

You: "Let's go out and look at the stars."

Heather: "Sounds good."

I am not going to give you much homework but you should know something about cosmology. Buy a map and learn the major constellations and a few stories about them. It is very useful. Stargazing is romantic. Also keep a pair of binoculars in your car. Due to the rotation of the Earth they are much more useful than any telescope and gives you a nice excuse to go to the car.

You walk into the backyard, sit on a picnic table and look at the stars.

You: "I like you. You are kinda feisty and feisty is sexy."

Heather: "Thanks. I like you too. You're funny."

You move in and start kissing her.

An hour later...

You: "I would love for you to come back to my place and see my fish."

By saying what you want you are leading here. It would feel safer to phrase it as, "Do you want to come back to my place and see my fish?" But that would be a mistake. That would be more dangerous for her. It would be like asking her if she wants to sleep with you. She would feel like a slut saying yes so she would have to say no. Better to say what you would like to see happen and let the chips fall where they may.

You: "But we have to be quiet. My housemate is a light sleeper. He's a firefighter."

Her: "That could be fun."

She goes and tells her sister she has her own ride home.

After the walk to your house she stops on the porch. You kiss. But she stops.

Her: "I am not going to have sex with you tonight."

You: "I feel the same way. Although I find you sexy and would love to make love to you I think we should get to know each other better. There is no rush. Come here."

You: "You have a sexy shoulder."

You kiss her shoulder.

You: "And sexy ear."

You kiss her ear.

You: "And neck."

You kiss her neck.

You: "And... elbow."

She laughs as you kiss her elbow.

You: "Come on. I want to show you my place."

Never push for sex. That is an amateurs game. Aim to developing sexual tension.

This will feel counter-intuitive, but when you encounter resistance to getting sexual always go with it. Tell her there is no hurry. Tell her it is your rule that you don't sleep with someone until you have five dates. Then in the next breath tell her you find her totally hot and want to ravish her body. This creates sexual tension for her between your sexual openness and the barriers you have created together. It will get her very hot.

Inside...

You have some red wine.

Always keep a stock of red wine on hand.

You: "So this is it. What do you think?"

Heather: "Its okay."

You laugh. Your place is a mess.

You: "I cleaned up just for you."

She laughs.

You: "I want to kiss you all over."

Heather: "What is that supposed to mean?"

You: "My tongue is skilled in many languages."

Heather: 'Mmmmm..."

You: "But I don't know if that violates my rule. Let me think about that..."

Heather: "I never did hear your intuition about me.

You: "I had an intuition that you were a good kisser."

Heather: "Come here funny guy."

She pulls you on top of her and forces you to make love to her.

Chapter 5: The Night Club

Night clubs are a great place to meet women. There is an expectation of socialization. No woman is going to freak out when you talk to her. And there is much more likelihood of fooling around at the club than in any bookstore ever designed by man.

Unfortunately many women are on guard and presuming you are acting disingenuous. With so many men out there at night making embarrassingly bad passes this is understandable.

Just the other night I saw a guy approach an attractive woman seated at a bar as his two other friends giggled and peaked around a corner. A girl walking into a club was yelled at by a guy in a passing car to, "Shake it like it's hot," or some such. It is no wonder women feel justified acting flakey, smarmy and even rude. With so many men acting crazy she presumes its just par for the course. So remove your ego and remember it not you she is initially reacting to. It is the combined behavior of every man who has ever hit on her.

As our friend and business manager John says, bring energy when you go into a club. Women there are looking for a fun. They want a guy who will bring the energy up not someone they have to bring up.

Women at night clubs tend to be like Crème Brule. By necessity they can be tough and crusty on the outside but once you get past that it is all cream.

Half the skill of meeting women in clubs is getting access. But once you get access it is much easier.

Those clubs with the velvet ropes and the huge doormen with clipboards which you have passed up as snooty and elitist are exactly the ones you want to get into. There is a much better male to female ratio. And without nervous men in pleated khaki pants running around acting strange towards women the women are much friendlier.

You have to look good to get into clubs. Check out the style tips at the end of this book.

If you are not arriving at the club with women you may have to go ridiculously early. Try to call ahead or send an email to the manager. Meet the staff and make them like you. Tip well. Whatever you have to do to get in is worth it.

Try to get into the VIP areas. For some reason VIP sounds intimidating. The truth is that it is easier to meet women there. Since everyone is pre-screened it has the feel of a private party. Everyone is cool. You are regarded as an insider.

If you are not rich or famous gaining access comes out of establishing relationships with people. Specifically you must establish relationships with the gatekeepers.

Almost everyone is a gatekeeper.

Establishing a relationship that could last twenty minutes or twenty years means you have to act like a cool and normal person. Here more than anywhere you must use your personality. Confidence comes from knowing that the longer someone knows you the better they will like you.

Two girls at the bar...

You: "Hi, how are you?"

Girl 1: "Excuse me. We are trying to have a conversation here."

When you are unfazed by unexpected or bitchy responses you show you are not 'needy' of a 'good' response. The secret here is just to relate.

You: (all smiles) "Hey, what a coincidence so am I."

They can't help but laugh.

Johnny Saviour, who is one of our trainers at CSI, began in exactly this way recently with two girls sitting in a London nightclub.

You: "I like your laugh. My name is SuperMan

Girl 1: "Kate."

You: "Nice to meet you Kate. I like your necklace."

Spend a little time on each person before moving on to the next. This shows you are calm and in control.

Girl 2: "Lilly."

You do something different on Lilly's hand shake.

Lilly: "What was that?"

You: "The secret snap handshake. My sister invented it for a very specific reason."

You don't want to push your stories on her. If she asks then great. If not then move on. The more unattached you are to telling her anything the better.

Lilly: "Wait, show me that again. What's it for."

You: "My sister and I came up with it so if either one of us were abducted by space aliens and replaced by robotic replicas the other would know the difference."

You show her again.

You have been entertaining enough for the moment. You don't want to place them into the passive audience role and yourself into an approval-seeking performer role.

Women are so used to performers that they will often ask a guy to perform out of the blue. That is NOT his big break. It is a

boost to a woman's ego by getting him to entertain her and her friends.

It is fair to turn the tables and ask her to entertain you a little.

You: "What secret handshakes do you know?"

Lilly: "I can't show you if its a secret, now can I?"

You are not attached to getting anything specific from a woman. This includes secret handshakes. That is clever.

You: (laughing) "That's true. You're smart. I like smart women."

As much as we men want to make things happen, ultimately we have to allow women to make the choice to be involved with us. Commitment to something they choose is much stronger than commitment to something that is pushed on them.

Know the difference between leading and pushing. If you feel as if you are doing everything, you are pushing. Pull back and let her make the decision to continue.

Generally, you do this on a high note.

You stop talking and wait.

Two women like this will take the moment to eye check. That is a nonverbal communication. 'Is this guy cool? Do we want to keep talking with him?'

Kate: "So where are you from?"

Very good.

You should have interesting answers to all the common questions such as this.

You: "Have you seen those fluffy Persian rugs that are popular now?"

Kate: "I have one of those!"

You: "Well my home town is where all of those are made. My grandmother could have made your rug."

Kate: "That is so cool."

A great way to talk about anything that is foreign or technical or far out of a woman's understanding is to relate it to something she is familiar with first. Start where your listener is. Not where you are.

Lilly: "How did you get here?"

You: "By 747. (ha ha)... I live here in New York now. It's noisy but it's a wonderful city. My favorite thing is running through Central Park."

It is good to give a little extra. Talk about real, concrete things that a woman can relate to. What can seem like magic coincidence is many times just putting enough of yourself out there until something catches.

Kate: "Lilly ran a half marathon."

You: "That is great. Let me see your legs Lilly."

You: "Yep, those are runner's legs. Very sexy. I ran a half marathon last year. The Great White."

Lilly: "Is that the one where everyone dresses up as sharks?"

You: "Yeah, but my friends and I were an octopus."

Lilly: "Oh my god."

You: "That is amazing that you are a runner. I love meeting other people who run. We do this thing so often alone but then at the same time we share this bond. You know what is interesting is I love to ask runners what they think about when they run."

Lilly: "What do you think about?"

You: "I try to think about nothing. But I end up thinking about this book that I'm trying to write. Sometimes I will come up with solutions to problems I wasn't even thinking about. How about you?"

Lilly: "I think about kicking ass."

You: "I think I'm falling in love with you."

You project a vibe that you are really blown away all of a sudden.

Her face is all sparkles.

You: "Who are you two here with?"

Needed information.

Kate: "Just us."

You: "Do you want to see a magic trick?"

Kate: "Sure."

Lilly: "Yep."

You: "Okay, both of you, hold your hands together like this and close your eyes tightly"

Their eyes closed, you move in and give Lilly a very soft kiss on the lips.

Girls in the club.

These girls are standing around. It's someone's birthday. They have balloons. This girl wears a tiara. You walk up to her.

Sometimes you feel a vibe and should just go with it. Women who are dressed special give you a reason to show more direct interest.

You: "Happy birthday. You are the most beautiful birthday girl in the world. How old are you now?"

Her: "Twenty three."

You give her a kiss.

You: "Now we have twenty two to go."

She finds you later to collect.

Chapter 6: An Airplane

You have an aisle seat. Next to you is a frumpy woman covered in heavy make up and thick glasses. She wears a t-shirt that reads, 'Boys like blondes but men like brunettes.' On the other side of her, with a window seat is a beautiful young woman with hair that is neither blonde nor brunette but somewhere inbetween.

You: (to the woman next to you) "Hi, what's your name?"

Her: "Carrie."

You: "Nice to meet you Carrie. My name is Willie T. Coyote. Share the rock."

(Laughing, you two knock knuckles)

Sure it might have been preferable to sit next to the hottie but this is a good situation. Unless she turns on her iPod, the hot girl will be listening to everything you say. This lets her see what a cool, social guy you are.

You cannot overestimate the importance of having confidence that the better people get to know you the more they will like you. Since you won't be picking this woman up its all personality.

You: "I like your laugh. Where are you from?"

Carrie: "The southern part of Louisiana. Near the tip."

You: "That's cool. I always wanted to visit there. Great fishing they say."

Carrie: "Yeah, my dad runs a fishing boat."

You: "Pull the other.... Did you know fishing is now a professional sport on television?"

Carrie: "Yeah, its big down South."

You: "When I heard of this I was like, 'watching fishing on tv??,' how boring. Then I saw it on ESPN and watched an hour and half. Now I'm a big fan."

Carrie: "Yeah, I learned to bait a hook when I was four."

Okay she's a bit of a hick. But there's an inner hick in all of us.

You: "That's it. I am going fishing with y'all."

Wherever you go in this world you can mimic people right to their face and they rarely catch on. They just think you are a bit like them. What began as mockery has now turned into a rapport technique.

Carrie: "You are invited any time."

People from the south are so friendly.

You want to transition to the hot girl. You could just start talking to her but in this situation that would be a bit obvious and rude to poor Carrie. Or you could wait until nature calls Carrie but she probably has a large, healthy bladder. So you want to bring the hot girl into the conversation. Fishing is probably not the topic to accomplish that.

Here is a short list of topics that interest the demographic of attractive girls age 19-25...

Travel
Relationships
Art, including photography
Live events, such as concerts and theatre
Books
Fitness, especially running
Pets

Most guys never talk about any of this stuff. If this is the demographic of women you want to meet make sure you know a little something about all of these topics. If you haven't done that already then turn your computer off and go to the library and educate yourself.

You: "So what type of art do you make?"

Carrie: "I don't do any of that fancy stuff. I'm a wysiwyg kind of girl. What you see is what you get."

You: (to the hot girl) "How about you? What type of art do you make?"

Every attractive woman her age believes she has an artistic side. It just comes with the territory.

Hot girl: "I make papier-mâché."

Notice the transition? Just talk about things that interest hot girls. The other people are less interested and usually drop themselves out. In any case show more enthusiasm for the hot girl's response and you have made your switch.

You: "Wow, I love papier-mâché. How do you mold it? I remember doing it in school with balloons but I'm sure you have techniques that are much more sophisticated."

When talking about women's passions talk more about the processes and the feelings rather than the results.

Hot girl: "I use blanks."

You: "Like how?"

Hot girl: (she shows with her hands) "Well it's like..."

You: "This is interesting. (you find a pen and paper) Carrie can we switch seats?"

Of course she will take the aisle over being stuck in the middle.

Carrie: "Alrighty."

You change seats and get the hot girl to teach you her art. Her name is Alison and she is 20.

A good reason not to be a know-it-all. When a woman teaches you something she takes an interest in you.

You: "That was cool. Thanks for showing me. I am going to make my own when I get home. I'll send you a picture. So where are you going?"

Alison: "Back to school in Berkley."

You: "Oh yeah Berkley... Its a bit like my town."

Alison: "Where is that?"

You: "Austin Texas."

Alison: "That's a fun place."

You: "Yeah, if you like nice weather, friendly people and good music. Other than that it sucks."

She laughs.

You pause.

Women on airplanes are a captive audience. You have to give them plenty of space to restart the conversation. You want them talking with you because they are enjoying it, not because they have no choice. Put in some pauses (on high points).

Alison: "Where are you going?"

You: "I'm going to a conference in the city. You're a student... Its a lot like sitting in a lecture. We pass notes. I doodle."

Alison: "I doodle too."

You: "Good. I think that doodlers share a bond that non-doodlers could only dream of. I hate those non-doodlers."

She laughs.

You: "I'm curious. How old are you?"

Alison: "Twenty."

You: "That's a good age. My ex-girlfriend is twenty. No wait.. she just turned twenty one."

Alison: "How old are you?"

You: "Thirty eight."

Alison: "Mmmm."

You: "I know. Scandalous isn't it?"

Alison: "How long were you dating?"

You: "A couple years."

She does the math and you come up legal.

You are eighteen years older than Allison. The age difference is obvious. That was a problem. Not that she would think you too old. Women are attracted to older men. The problem was that she might presume you think she is too young. So you take the step to reassure her that you like girls her age. You can mention an ex-girlfriend or even that you just went on a date with a girl her age.

This technique works great for race, height, or other issues of obvious difference. You bring up the difference and neutralize it so it doesn't hang over your head.

Allison: "I actually went out with one of my professors who was thirty one."

What is it with girls hooking up with their teachers?

You: "How was that?"

Allison: "Kinda weird."

You: "I can imagine. Not that its a contest but when I was twenty two I dated a woman who was forty."

Allison: "How was that?"

You: (thinking for awhile) "It was different... There was definitely a gap in age and interests. But actually it was quite wonderful. I learned a lot from her. Not just how to give a woman an orgasm but how to be a better person. We still stay in touch."

Allison: "I don't stay in touch with my professor."

You: "What's the point? These people should just get on with their lives. Geeez."

You: "So what is the first thing you are going to do when you get home?"

Allison: "Take a nap."

You: "Me too. I love naps. I could nap all day long."

Allison: "Sounds good."

You: "No way. I should not nap so much. I have a million and one things to do. If I fall asleep I want you to nudge me with your sexy... elbows."

Allison: "Are you coming on to me?"

You: "I'm coming on to your elbows for sure."

She laughs.

You: "I would like to see you again."

Her: "That could be arranged."

Chapter 7: At the Store

Hip stores such as Urban Outfitters can be good. There are lots of interesting props for sale there and lots of cute girls. Just pick an item of apparel and ask her opinion.

My favorite stores are small boutiques that sell both men and women's clothes and are small enough to feel intimate. Your first assignment is to talk to the clerks. They are the gatekeepers. Make them like you and you will be able to chat up the customers.

You enter the store.

You: (As a clerk approaches you) "Can I help you?"

Clerk: (She smiles) "Hey that's my line."

You: "I know. I'm sorry. I'll let you try it again."

You turn around, walk back a few feet and come in again.

Clerk: "May I help you?"

You: "Yes, I am looking for a stuffed crocodile."

Clerk: "Sorry, we don't have any of those."

You: "Of course you don't. Everyone is out of them. They're very popular this year. Right up there with flying turtles."

Always agree. You will find this out in your improvisational comedy class. You are taking improv, aren't you? Those classes will help you learn to think on your feet and be more... laid back.

You: "This seems like a fun store. What's it like managing this place?"

Clerk: (smiling) "I like it. There have been a lot of ups and downs but it's good."

You: "Yeah, my job is like that too."

Clerk: "What do you do?"

You: "You know the internet?"

Clerk: "Yeah."

You: "I help make that work."

Clerk: "Cool."

Try on some white dress shoes with a white belt and white fedora (think Usher here). Use this opportunity to sample clothes that you should be wearing but are too conservative for... yet.

An Asian cutie comes into the store.

You: "What do you think of these sunglasses?"

Try the glasses on after you ask this, not before. You want to use your eyes to engage her.

Asian Cutie: (in an accent) "Um, no."

You: "Thanks for the opinion. I love your honesty. No one is honest anymore. What's your name?"

Asian Cutie: "My name is Carol."

She seemingly did something to earn your interest. The important thing here is that she thinks you really value her honesty, not that you do or not. It is only her perception of your perception that is relevant. Got it? Get it? Once you get in the habit of appreciation you will discover all kinds of things to authentically appreciate about a woman's words and actions. Until that day fake it. Did I mention you should take an acting class?

You: "Nice to meet you Carol."

Carol: (she starts giggling) "I gotta go."

Asian girls... I still haven't figured them out. Luckily we have an Asian specialist on staff at CSI.

Another woman comes into the store. She is late thirties and hot, possible doggy hair stylist, possible boob job.

You: "What do you think of this hat?"

Her: "It's groovy."

You: "I thought I was the only one who said groovy anymore. Give me the rock."

She taps knuckles. Women her age love to flirt.

You find a table to prop your butt on.

If you meet a woman in a store or other public place where people generally just pass through, try to anchor yourself. Lean against something or sit down if possible. The lower the better. Women can have no idea you want to have an interaction. For all she knows you are just talking in passing. She would feel stupid if she were to commit to a conversation with a guy who was talking in passing. She has no idea of your intentions. So show her visually you are committed to the interaction and she might just commit as well. Like everything else with women, you usually have to lead.

You: "I have an intuition about you."

Her: "What?"

You: "Its nothing."

Her: "What?"

You: "Well... let me look in your eyes."

You gaze into her eyes.

Her: "What do you see?"

You: "You have sexy eyes."

Her: "And..."

You: "What are you doing for the next twenty minutes?"

Her: "Well, I got to go back to work."

You: "At the dog groomers?"

Her: "At the doctor's office."

You: "Right."

Her: "Why do you ask?"

You: "There is a good Mediterranean restaurant around the corner. It would be great to share lunch."

Her: "I like that place."

At lunch...

Her: "So what do you do?"

You: "Well... do you use a computer at work?

Her: "Yes, for patient records and such."

You: "Well in a way I make it so that you can exchange records with the pharmacist and the hospital."

When you are explaining something technical or out of the range of most women's interest or experience first try to relate it to her life.

Her: "That is so amazing. I do that all the time. I can't wait to tell everyone at the office I met you. You must be a genius."

You: "No, just a pet owner."

She laughs.

Her: "What kind of pet?"

At this point you transition into a statement of interest.

You: "I would find something interesting to do with these olives as I made love to you right on this table if it were not for all these Mediterranean people hanging about."

Women love sexual tension. Sexual tension is created when you reveal your desire but also acknowledge barriers. If you get a chance to read up on women's romance novels virtually every plot boils down to tension.

The way to make use of sexual tension is not to look for problems within her. That is an amateur move. The barriers to you hooking up should be something in the environment or something in you. Something she can work to overcome.

You can see, she is a little stunned.

You: "Anyway, is this the bill? Let's see, I had the falafel..."

As you are leaving.

You: "You want a ride?"

Her: "Yeah."

You are both quiet. The calm before the storm.

In the car, it is on. She practically rapes you.

Chapter 8: The Tale of Disqualification

To become very unattached to outcome you can heavily disqualify yourself. Only rock stars do this...

You: "How are you?"

Her: "Good."

You: "Darn. I was really hoping to find a girl who was doing badly so I could cheer her up."

Remember when I said always agree? Well, there are exceptions to everything in life. Here you are actively demonstrating a persona who is far from approval seeking.

Read closely... You do this by agreeing when she disagrees and disagreeing when she agrees. This is the exact opposite of what approval seeking people do.

Her: "So who are you here with?"

You: "I'm by myself."

Her: "That's cool."

You: "No it isn't. I have no friends."

Her: "You must have friends."

You: "You're right. I do. I guess I'm just board with them. Or... maybe they're board with me. Who are you here with?"

Her: "My sister and her friend."

You: "Which one is she?"

Her: 'With the red hair."

You: "She looks like you."

Her: "Really?"

You: "No not really. I was just trying to make conversation."

She laughs.

You: "I like your laugh."

Her: "Really."

You: "Yes, really this time."

Her: "I like your sense of humor."

You: "Thanks but I can be really unfunny sometimes."

Her: "That's okay."

You: "No it isn't. I'm letting people down."

Her: "You think so?"

You: "Yes. If I told you something serious you would get bored and leave."

Her: "Try me."

You: "Okay, how about if I told you that you had very kissable lips?"

Her: "I'm still here."

You: "Damn, you're right. I hate you."

Her: "So what do you do?"

You: "I usually tell people I make the internet work but I really just have a boring computer job."

Her: "That is alright. I work in accounting."

You: "I wish I could work someplace as fun as accounting. (looking wishful) Maybe one day."

She giggles. You fart. She doesn't seem to notice.

You: "Hey, I want you to come sit on that couch with me so we can be more comfortable."

Her: "Okay."

The two of you go there.

You: "Are you comfortable?"

Her: "Yeah."

You: "Good. Want to see a magic trick?"

Her: "Sure."

You: "Its not a very magical one I'm afraid."

Her: "That's okay."

You: "Alright close your eyes."

She does.

You: "Now pucker your lips like you are going to kiss someone."

Her: "Are you going to try to kiss me?"

You: "Well not now. Thanks for spoiling the moment."

Her: "Sorry."

You: "That's alright. I have something better. I'll close my eyes."

You close your eyes.

You: "Now you close your eyes."

Presumably she does. You take her hand.

You: "Now we just have to find each other."

You find each others lips and start making out.

Chapter 9: The Dancer

She is an exotic dancer. No, not the stripper type. The belly dancing type. You are sitting on cushions at the belly-dance club.

She approaches you. Her finger cymbals jangle seductively as she puts her arm around you. She smells really good. Her name is Sapphire. Belly dancers all name themselves after precious stones you know.

Sapphire: "Hi, want a belly dance?"

You: "Maybe later after I get to know you better."

If a woman wants something from you that you are reluctant to give such as a cigarette, money or whatever don't say no straight off, just put them off.

Sapphire: "Where are you from?"

She wants to talk you into a dance. She is trying to force conversation by asking questions. That's okay. But just realize she doesn't really care about where you live.

You: "I'm from a little town in Utah. You have probably never heard of it. I would be surprised if you had."

Sapphire: "What is it?"

You: "My three sisters are still there and they belly dance."

You take the time to relate your answer before you give it. Relating always trumps being interesting. I guess that's because deep down women (and most people) only care about themselves.

Sapphire: "Really?"

You: "Really, really."

You pause and take a puff off the hookah.

You: "Amateur of course. I mean our town cannot support more than a few belly dancers. But anyways, you have some competition to live up to."

Sapphire: "You are putting me on."

You: "Yes, of course."

...Not really. But always agree.

She calls another girl over.

Sapphire: "This guy's funny."

Diamond: "Tell us a joke."

You: "I'd love to tell you a joke. But tell me one of yours first."

You've already learned that women are so used to guys trying to prove themselves, especially in bars and nightclubs, that they will often ask you to perform. This is NOT your big break. It is a boost to a woman's ego by getting you to entertain her and her friends. No need to get feisty either. Just turn it around.

Sapphire: "I got one. What kind of socks does a pirate wear?"

You: "What kind?"

Sapphire: "Arrrrrgyle."

Diamond: "Oh god." She goes off to find a customer.

Sapphire: "Where does a pirate go on vacation?"

You: "I don't know."

Sapphire: "Arrrrrgentina. What would a pirate be if he wasn't a pirate?"

You: "What?"

Sapphire: "An arrrrrrchaeologist."

This is the sweet spot of picking up women. When they entertain you is when you are in. When she is involved like this both of you have more fun and you can use her efforts as a reason to step up your interest. Its balanced that way.

You: (smiling) "I like you Sapphire. You have a corny sense of humor just like me."

Sapphire: "I guess we are two of a kind."

You: "Yep. Can I confess something to you?"

Sapphire: "Sure."

You: "I'm lost. I actually came in here to ask directions. But meeting you seems like the best thing that has happened today. It would be fun to have a cup of coffee someplace after this."

Sapphire: "Sure. Actually its slow. I can leave right now."

Chapter 10: At the Coffee Shop

Two attractive women chat over cake and soda water at a table in the back. There is no one else sitting anywhere near them.

You walk over to them confidently.

When a woman meets you the first thing she focuses on is your facial expression and the second is your hands. This is human nature at it's most instinctual. She looks for friendliness on your face and open, nonaggressive hands.

The most confident and non-threatening way to hold your hands is straight down at your sides. Most guys feel uncomfortable with this. But that is just their monkey-minds playing tricks on them. Holding your hands higher is your instinct to raise a barrier between yourself and other people. It is fear holding them up.

The most confident postures are often the most vulnerable ones. Confidence is demonstrated in revealing vulnerability. You are doing it correctly when it feels as if she could just punch you out.

If you have a real problem nervously moving your hands around try holding them together in front of you. You will look like a priest but that's okay. Many women are hot for their priest.

For those times during which you just can't get your hands to chill out, try carrying a cup of coffee. This can be a useful gimmick that gives you something to do with at least one of your hands, and for some reason holding a cup of coffee has a relaxing effect on women due to the 'looking like you are on lunch break,' phenomenon.

You: "That cake looks really good and I'm mad at you for having the last piece."

Some of the best openers are created by just observing what a woman is focused upon and beginning there.

Blonde: "Sorry."

Brunette: "Is it really the last piece?"

You: "No, I just needed some reason to come say hi to two pretty women."

You have chosen to be genuine and sometimes that's the best policy.

Blonde: "Thanks."

You: "Oh, its not a compliment. Being attractive is a burden. I pity you."

They giggle.

Generally if you can get them to laugh you are in.

Brunette: "What's your name?"

They like you. Is there any point in going on?

You: "My name is the Big Bad Wolf. You can call me Bad."

Brunette: "Nice to meet you Bad."

You: "What's your name?"

Brunette: "Jody."

Blonde: "And I'm Ginger."

You: "Can I join you for a couple minutes Jody and Ginger?"

Ginger: "Sure."

You pull up a chair.

You: "My butt thanks you."

Jody: "So what are you doing today?"

You: "I've been shopping. But I can't find what I'm looking for so I'm mad."

Ginger: "What are you looking for?"

You: "Peace, love and happiness mostly. But if I can just find a pair of hip jeans it'd be good. I'm also trying to decide what country to visit on my next holiday."

Jody: "You should go to Australia."

You: "Really? What's that like?"

Jody: "I don't know. Never been there."

You: "Geezy peezy."

Jody: "But I want to go."

You: "Okay, then maybe I'll see you there."

Ginger: "Peru is good."

You: (looking suspiciously at Jody) "What's that like?"

Ginger: "It's beautiful. There are beaches and you can hike through the rain forest and the people are so nice. I stayed with this elderly couple who ran the tour company. He used to be an aid to the vice president and she had been a dancer."

You: "Wow, I bet those two had some interesting stories."

Ginger: "The best story was how they met during a revolution."

You: "Really? What happened?"

You know what is better than having a girl hang on your fascinating stories? Having her tell you a fascinating story.

Ginger: "Well...

She tells you a very romantic story. It makes you all choked up. Okay, not really. You are a hardened pick-up artist. So you have to fake it a little.

You: "That is a good story. I like you Ginger."

Ginger: "I like you too Bad."

You: "No, I mean I really like you. I want to see you again."

Ginger: "I would like that too but I'm getting married next week."

Ack! Where was her ring?

You: "I'm disappointed but congratulations. How did he propose?"

Its better to admit how you feel and move on rather than try to hide it.

By the way, collect proposal stories when you get a chance. They are great fodder for future conversations with women.

Ginger: "He took me up in this hot air balloon and went over a pumpkin field and he and his friends had arranged these pumpkins to spell out will you marry me."

You: "That's great. I proposed to a girl once."

Jody: "What happened?"

You: "It was in fifth grade and I wrote "Will you marry me Kay?" on the chalk board. But I forgot to put who it was from. I

like to think she is still waiting. That will be the only girl I ever propose to."

Jody: "Why?"

You: "I'm not into long term-relationships. I think I'm addicted to the rush of when you first get to know someone."

Jody: "Yeah, but eventually you will want something longer term. You can't be Mr. noncommital forever."

You: "Really? Why do you think so?"

Not argumentative. You really want to know why she thinks that.

Being open-minded does not mean you are unsure. It means you are open to being convinced.

When someone tries to influence your thinking they are making a commitment in you. So don't hold on to your positions too tightly. Let her see that you might be swayable.

Jody: "Because you can't develop anything deeper with short term affairs."

You: "Is deeper good?"

Jody: "Of course."

You: "Alright. I will work on it."

Jody: "You're a shit."

You laugh. This girl is so yours.

You: "When I was a kid my sister used to call me a stinker. I even had a shirt."

You: (to Ginger) "So where are you having the reception?"

Ginger: "Want to come?"

You: "Sure. I'd love to. It would be fun."

Ginger: "Its at the old city hall. Nothing fancy. But there will be lots of single women there."

You: "Can I bring a date?"

Ginger: "Nooo."

You: (laughing) "Okay, okay."

Most women and some men (especially gay men) are gatekeepers. In this sense, a gatekeeper is a person who knows many attractive women or knows people who know attractive women. They control access. Making friends with a gatekeeper is generally more important than picking someone up. When you make a favorable impression on women you will be amazed how much help you will get hooking up. Women in long-term relationships especially are great for this. They feel romance vicariously through other people.

Don't tell them you are looking for a date. That will make you look desperate. Instead create the impression that you enjoy seeing many different women and you have not met the one. Look like a man with options. Trust in the power of honesty. If you just want to be a player then tell your gatekeeper friends exactly that. Women will accept it. If you are cool and women obviously enjoy, you women gatekeepers will introduce you to their hot friends.

Chapter 11: The Pub

You see these people going into the pub. Two guys and a girl. Their style is a hybrid... nerdy Coke bottle glasses with punker blue and purple hair. They seem friendly in an awkward, alternative way.

Inside you talk to them.

You: "Hey I like your pins man."

Blue haired guy: "Thanks man."

You: "I bet there's a story behind those."

Blue haired guy: "You betcha."

You: "I used to have a support the IRA pin but I lost it."

Blue haired guy: "Couldn't wear that around anymore with our Nazi-like government."

These type of people are always political and never happy. You can connect with them quick. Just rant a little.

You: "That's right. I can't even ride my bicycle thanks to the *@^#\$^! President."

You don't have to make any sense. You just have to strike the right chords.

Blue haired guy: "Hey let me introduce you to my friends."

You: "If you insist."

He introduces you. Now you are hanging out with some people and warming up your conversational muscles.

As you make small talk about the corporate exploitation of the Loch Ness Monster you look around and catch a woman's eye. You smile and wave - not side to side, that would be uncool, but rather a little flip of the hand, palm out like you are stopping a charging five year old.

She smiles.

You: "Excuse me friends, I must re-educate a decadent female on the inherent dangers of capitalism."

You walk over to her.

When you approach from a group you are not a random guy but an ambassador. To reject you she would have to reject your people. But in this case she has already invited you with her eyes. Its all good.

Since she made the first move you show some interest with a sensual vibe and playful smile.

You: "Hey you..."

Handling women is a balancing act. You can't let her show interest without reciprocating or she will catch herself, feel desperate and renege. Showing corresponding interest in her locks her commitment in. Match it or lose it.

(cautionary note... Don't fall for the unreal. Some women pretend to be interested as a way to tease men. Generally if she acts too sexual too soon in front of her friends, she is just messing with you.)

Her: "Hey."

She's in her late twenties or early thirties. Women that age have confidence in their ability to openly flirt. This could be fun.

You: "So what's your story?"

Personally I love that question. It is so open-ended that many people don't know quite how to respond.

Her: "I'm here with Zena."

You: "Who's Zena?"

"I am," says a voice.

You look down. The voice belongs to a dwarf woman. Strawberry blonde hair, bright red lipstick, tiny, leopard mini skirt - she's a slutty dwarf woman. You are surprised and a little intrigued. Hey man, anything can happen out in the field.

You: "Oh, hi. Nice to meet you. I'm Ray Croc."

Zena: "The founder of McDonalds?"

You: "No. A different Ray Croc. I make the internet... oh forget it. I'm actually off McDonalds. I love making salads now. I have my mix. (you slow down here) I lay down a bed of baby spinach, chunks of rosemary garlic tofu, tomatoes so crisp they explode in your mouth, spongy mushrooms, crunchy sunflower seeds for just a touch of the salty and then toss with wine vinegar and olive oil."

The way to make simple things interesting is to get into it. Talk about the actual feel, the texture, act out the motions out. Use your imagination to bring yourself there. You can make anything sensual if you give your whole self over to it. Talking this way will bring in a woman's focus.

Tall woman: "I want to eat at your house."

Zena: "Me too."

You: "You're invited. The three of us can eat a grand meal and get drunk on my most expensive Yellow Tail..."

They laugh.

You: "...as soon as they finish my new kitchen."

They look disappointed.

You: "Okay so let's plan this. What dish are you going to bring....uh..."

Tall woman: "Lana."

They like and are interested in you. They are being real. Time to pour on your appreciation.

You: "I love that name. I want to have a baby girl one day and call her Lana."

Lana: "Call her?"

You: "Yeah, my stupid wife will name her Gerty but I will call her Lana."

They laugh.

Micro primer on being funny...

- 1) Funny is the unexpected.
- 2) Have an original view point.
- 3) Funny will find you if you focus on being creative.
- 4) Two things that normally don't go together are funny. This creates contrast. The guy who invented peanut butter and jelly must have been a comedian.
 - 5) Don't laugh at your own jokes.
- 6) Don't care about being right, approval or even being understood.
- 7) Stay out of your head. Who cares what they think of you? Funny is right in front of you if you slow down.
- 8) Don't try to make them laugh. Try to make them think in new ways.
 - 9) Don't take yourself too seriously.

You were asking a question but you got sidetracked. Do you go back? No. That would seem like you cared too much about pushing the topic on them. (This is not true if it is something that she brought up. Then always go back - that will make you seem genuine. And 'seeming' is the way to a woman's heart.)

You: "Hey I want to learn to surf. I want to get on the board and feel nature against me and dodge the sharks. (You mime some of this out.) What do you want to do that you have never done?"

Answering your questions from your own point of view before asking them makes women feel very comfortable sharing.

Zena: "I want to go to Ghana."

You: "Cool. East Africa is supposed to have a great music scene."

Zena: "I'm a dancer."

You: "Really? Let me see your dance."

She breaks it down and does a little dwarf dance.

You: "Amazing. That's really good. Didn't I see you on a rap video?"

Zena: "Hell no."

You: "Good. I hate those capitalist pigs who conceal themselves under the demagogy of the artistic body."

They stare at you.

You: "Old conversation."

This is the most difficult situation for you to work. Two women and you by yourself. Although a threesome would give you a lifelong, party-stopping story you really want to be alone with Lana. Without a wingman you have no one to conveniently occupy Zena the little warrior. But you have developed resources.

You: "Hey you two, I want you to come over and meet my people."

You take them over and introduce them to blue man group.

You: (privately to blue hair) "Be a cool guy and talk to the little woman so I can mack it up."

Just then you spot another woman across the room. Long flowing, inky-black hair, a perfectly toned body and an upturned nose that says 'I'm better then you'. But somewhere under her cool attitude you just know she is sweet. The future mother to your kids. You can even picture little Lana and Ray Croc Jr.

She is with three other women who are nines to her ten. They stand away from the crowd and pretend to ignore the world. But the world can't seem to ignore them. They are getting plenty of stares from men.

You approach.

You: "Excuse me ladies. You're going to have to leave. We've had some complaints."

Blonde: "What?"

You: (delivered flat) "It seems you haven't been laughing or having a good time. And that's not tolerable."

Blonde: (catching on) "And I suppose you know what a good time is?"

You: "No I have no idea. But I heard there is a lot of tickling involved."

The red head laughs.

You: "Excuse me. No laughing unless you mean it."

She smiles.

You: "I'm serious."

You turn to the other blonde and smile, letting her in on the joke. Then you flip back to funny/serious mode.

You: "So what are you girls doing here?"

Redhead: "We're waiting for the show across the street."

You: "I love shows. I was in a show once. As a kid I played Oliver and when it was time for my big singing number I ran to my spot at the front of the stage and... slipped and fell into the audience."

So how do you think fast? How do you bring up things that are relevant to the subject at hand and make them interesting? An exercise we sometimes do in our workshops at CSI is to flash random words at our clients and have them relate. After fifteen minutes of practice and guidance they find it easy.

Here is how you do it. You don't really talk about things. Rather you talk about your experience with things. Shows or travel or spaghetti may be the topic but you are always the subject. That narrows down your responses to your own experience. Then you talk about your experience in a manner that is as low level (feelings, sensations, actions) as possible. That makes it easy for women to relate to you. Of course there is more to it that is impossible to put into print but that is the basics.

Talking about yourself also lets women feel comfortable talking about themselves. And quick stories about your mistakes and embarrassments are great with women. Not only do they connect to a genuine part in all of us you also show you are not hung up on proving how smart or coordinated or successful you are. You are tuned into the fact that women don't care about any of that stuff. Women only care about a man's abilities to be social and to make them feel sexual.

Blonde: "What happened?"

You: "The show went on."

Blonde: "With you in the front row?"

You: "Actually I landed in the orchestra pit. One leg, right in the tuba. Okay, enough about me. What about you? What have you acted in?"

Blonde: "I have been in some commercials."

You: "But is it your passion?"

Blonde: "No. I'm in veterinarian school."

You: "Cool I saw this guy on tv who treated horses before the derby. He was like getting his whole body to help birth a bay horse. It was amazing."

Blonde: "Yeah I got to do that."

Remember when I said to go low level? Another great thing about acting things out and really getting into what you are talking about is it helps the women who are listening think of things to relate to what you are talking about. Its like a circle.

You: (making a face)"How did it feel?"

You are really interested.

Blonde: "Really warm. Like almost hot. That surprised me. I had to tie a rope to the foal's legs so we could pull him out."

Sometimes we can be tempted to buy into the onedimensional hot-woman illusion but when you go a little deeper many times there is something different.

You: "Whoa. That's amazing."

Blonde: "What's your name?"

You: "I'm Ray."

She makes the introductions. You give them hugs. The long, dark brunette is Ann.

You talk to the group a while longer.

Group primer: When you are talking to a group of people keep in mind that the leader of the group is not the one everyone listens to. It is the one everyone talks to. You can gauge your relative power within the group by noticing if people are talking to you. If no one is talking to you it is indicative of having a lack of power.

When talking to a group, play to the people who are paying attention. Don't try to win over the ones who are not listening. That would come across as trying to hard. It is better to give more to the people who are already listening.

You: (to Ann) "I really like your friends. They're cool."

You say this as if you are sharing a secret but of course the friends can overhear. The implied thing here you are communicating is, 'Your friends really like me. So you can be cool and open with me.'

This is a great transition into going for a one on one conversation with a girl you would like to meet.

Ann: "Thanks. They obviously like you."

You: "Yeah maybe too much. I feel responsible for them now."

You: (lowering your voice) "I like you but I can't let them know that or they might take you away."

Ann: "Not likely. I know jujitsu."

You: "What a coincidence... I know nothing about jujitsu"

Ann: "So what are you up to?"

You: "I'm looking to meet a very special type of girl."

Ann: "What type is that?"

You: "The type who can bail me out of jail."

She laughs.

You: "Okay, I made you laugh. Now to balance your karma you have to tell me a joke."

Ann: "I don't..."

You: "Sure you do. Just loosen up your shoulders like this and let it..."

Ann: "Okay, I got one."

You: "That was quick."

Ann: "Why did the little girl cross the playground?"

You: "Why?"

Ann: "To get to the other slide. My niece told me that joke."

You: "Its totally cute. I like you much better now for telling me that."

Ann: "So what do you do?"

You: "I work in a bowling alley."

Ann: "Really?"

You: "Yep."

Ann: "I like bowling. But I'm not very good."

You: "Me neither. But I can get it in that gutter on the side nearly every time."

Ann: "Gutter balls are people too."

You: (you laugh) "That doesn't even make any sense. I like you. Your humor is just like mine."

You look at each other and that is that. You know.

Blonde: "Uh oh, we have to go. The show is starting in two minutes."

They get up to leave.

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