

INTERNET DATING IS IT GOOD FOR YOU?

Perhaps, you would like to meet someone you desire to know, someone you might want to marry. Surprisingly, none of your efforts to find such person have worked out.

Attempts by well-meaning friends and family to set you up with someone have done nothing but embarrass you and have left you more discouraged than ever. So you are wondering if maybe you should turn to technology for help.

Are you shy, and do you find it hard to meet people? Do you fear rejection? Or do you simply feel there is a lack of potential marriage mates in your environment? Then, computer dating may be good for you.

For one thing on-line match making services promise you control over your 'dates'. Search boxes that display age group, countries of residence, pictures etc are provided. Armed with the power of choice, it seems that dating online is more efficient and less stressful than face-to-face encounters.

In this age of computer, finding a compatible mate may be just a few clicks away. All you have to do is to log onto a web site, chat room that has been specially designed for singles.

What is the reality? Does dating in cyberspace lead to lasting happiness? Dating in cyberspace, often involves unrealistic fantasies. Users can carefully edit their email present themselves in the most flattering way. When on-line, people often exaggerate or lie about themselves. Everyone tends to be attractive, honest and successful.

In the fantasy world of computer dating, emotions can become intense prematurely. This can leave you vulnerable to emotional devastation if the relationship does not work out as is likely. Rushing into a relationship when you know little about each other is certainly unwise. The English writer Shakespeare is quoted as saying "hasty marriage seldom proveth well".

True, in a computer relationship, you cannot observe gestures, smiles or countenance you cannot see how he/she treats others or behave under pressure. And such things are critical in choosing if he/she is someone you can come to trust and love. You must therefore take the time to observe a person to see if his or her actions and words match.

Not surprisingly, a common practice among those seeking romance on the internet is to exaggerate or invert good traits and to minimize or conceal serious faults. Users often switch sexes, income level, race, criminal records, mental health histories and marital status. Many people take all these deceptions lightly, rationalizing that it is only nature to lie a little bit embarking on a romance.

However, lack of personal contact has distinct advantages. On-line dating allows couples to focus on what a prospective partner is like on the inside without being distracted by personal appearance.

Of course, communication by e-mail can be a very helpful way to stay in touch with friends and loved ones. Surely, there is nothing quite the same as face-to-face contact.

It is far wiser to initiate meeting and making friends in person. This helps to find out if you are truly compatible, especially when it comes to your goals and values. Such a courtship can lead to a truly happy marriage. Remember, the devil you know is far better than the angel you do not know, Be wise.

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