

AT-HOME PICNIC

This date is all about fun. The goal is for you to laugh together. That's it!

GET READY

If you have kids, wait until they are asleep, out of the house, or at least out of the room. You and your honey are experiencing dinner, indoor picnic style. Grab a blanket, some food for dinner, and find a spot on the floor. After adding your names to the appropriate spaces below, choose the first word that comes to mind for each of the rest of the spaces.



“Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.”

-Romans 12:10



DO IT

(As you enjoy your picnic, fill in the following Mad Libs)

_____ & _____ loved date nights because they were always very
(Husband) (Wife)
 _____. On their dates, _____ always wore a/an _____ article
(Adjective) (Husband) (Adjective)
 of clothing, because it made him feel _____. _____ always wore
(Feeling) (Wife)
 _____ clothing, because it made her feel _____. _____ always
(Adjective) (Feeling) (Husband)
 did the _____, which made him look _____. _____ always did
(Type of dance) (Adjective) (Wife)
 the _____, which made her look _____. Their two favorite things to do
(Type of dance) (Adjective)
 on their dates were _____ and _____. They always ended their
(Verb ending in "ing") (Verb ending in "ing")
 dates by making out under the _____ _____. When people ask them
(Adjective) (Noun)
 the secret to their marriage, they always say, “Never _____ while wearing
(Verb)
 _____. When you fight, make sure you always _____ afterwards. And
(Plural noun) (Verb)
 never stop dating, because dating always makes your marriage _____.
(Adjective)

DARE ME

Each spouse plays one song for the other person to dance to, by themselves, for 45 seconds. Can't think of a song? (Think "She's a Maniac" from Flashdance, "Can't Touch This," or "Ice, Ice, Baby".) OR play your favorite slow song and take a moment to dance together for at least 45 seconds of that song. If you feel comfortable, dance through the whole song. Celebrate your love!

PICTURE IT

Take a funny picture of yourself with your spouse's phone and make it his or her wallpaper.



GAUGE

Think about the following food combinations below. Some of these are classics to varying degrees, and some... well, they are explosive! As you think about the combinations below, think of them as a metaphor for your marriage right now. Discuss with your partner which of these combos you think matches your marriage the best and why.

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| 1.) Mac and Cheese | 5.) Thai Food and Turns |
| 2.) Champagne and Filet Mignon | 6.) Donuts and More Donuts |
| 3.) Chips and Salsa | 7.) Mentos and Diet Coke |
| 4.) Peanut Butter and Jelly | |

KEEP IT GOING

One key to healthy boundaries and healthy closeness is a radical awareness of our spouse's feelings and our response to them. Throughout the week, ask one another the following questions:

- 1.) If you are both home, what is the biggest challenge of being home together as a family right now? And what is the biggest blessing?
- 2.) If one of you is an essential worker: what is the biggest challenge of still working right now? What is the biggest blessing?
- 3.) What can I do to show you love in these days?

