

20 Questions to Ask Before You Say, "I do"

Open communication about how you both view money, before you get super serious or married, helps you avoid misunderstanding and pain in your relationship.

Use these 20 questions to get the ball rolling.

10 Money Relationship Questions:

- How do you like to celebrate birthdays?
- What is the biggest gift you have ever purchased for someone?
- What kind of vacations do you like?
- How often should we have date night?
- How many times each week should we dine out?
- Is the appearance of our home important to you?
- How did your parents talk about money?
- Did your parents argue about money?
- What stresses you out when it comes to money?
- How often should we go on vacation?

10 Financial Planning Questions:

- Do you track your savings and spending?
- Would you describe yourself as conservative or aggressive in your investing?
- What mistakes have you made with money?
- How do you feel about debt?
- Do you think joint or separate checking accounts are best in marriage?
- Do you give to charitable organizations?
- Do you want to rent or own our home?
- Will we be a dual-income family or will one of us stay home with our children?
- Do you think paying bills should be done separately or together?
- Should we have a financial advisor?