

Love Dating Marriage

Reading & Listening

Romantic love lasts only a year

Italian scientists have found that the chemical in the brain which makes us romantic **disappears** over a year. They say this explains why the happy, wonderful and confident feelings we experience at the start of a relationship do not last forever. Researchers from the University of Pavia discovered that levels of a chemical called Nerve Growth Factor (NGF) greatly increase when a person first falls in love. NGF levels come from the **rush** of **adrenalin** and love of life that occur when new love **blossoms**. The chemical **fades** over a year or so after people become more secure in a relationship.

Research leader Dr. Enzo Emanuele reported: "We have demonstrated for the first time that...levels of NGF are **elevated** among [people] in love, suggesting an important **role** for this molecule in the **social chemistry** of human beings." His team analyzed 58 volunteers who had recently fallen in love. The researchers compared NGF levels in this group with those in people who were single or in **steady** relationships. They found increased levels of NGF in the new romantics. They also said NGF caused **sweaty palms** and **butterflies in stomachs**, and perhaps made young men buy red roses and candlelit dinners.

Dating Slang

SLANG	DEFINITION	EXAMPLE	TRANSLATION
Blow someone off (to)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To ignore To reject To keep someone waiting 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I walked up to that girl to say hello, but she blew me off. I thought he loved me, but he blew me off for another girl. I waited for two hours but she blew me off. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I walked up to that girl to say hello, but she ignored me. I thought he loved me, but he rejected me for another girl. I waited for two hours but she kept me waiting.
Check out someone or something (to)	To observe someone or something	Check out that girl over there! She's <i>hot!</i> I've never seen her before.	Observe that girl over there! She's <i>beautiful (sexy)</i> . I've never seen her before.
Come on to someone (to)	To flirt, to show sexual interest in someone	Kim is so pretty that guys come on to her all the time.	Kim is so pretty that guys show sexual interest in her all the time.
Let someone down easily (to)	To end a romantic relationship with someone in a gentle way.	When Donna broke up with me, she was very nice about it. She let me down easy .	When Donna broke up with me, she was very nice about it. She ended our relationship in a gentle way .
On the rebound (to be)	To be eager to get back into a relationship after having recently ended one.	If you are going to go out with Kiwon, be careful. She's on the rebound and may want to get seriously involved too quickly.	If you are going to go out with Kiwon, be careful. She's eager to get back into a relationship after having recently ended one and may want to get seriously involved too quickly.

Expressions/ Phrases / Idioms / Phrasal Verbs - Human Relations & Dating/Friendship

Human Relations

Word	Definition	Also	Grammar Note	Usage Note	Example
Make friends	To become good friends with others			Used to describe people who are quite sociable or not very sociable at all	Edward makes friends easily. That's why is the most popular person in the office
Hit it off	To develop a friendly relationship quickly		The pronoun <i>it</i> cannot be substituted or changed in any way		Isabel knew she would marry Ryan some day because they hit it off right from the start.
Start off on the wrong foot	To have a bad start to a relationship (opposite – start off on the right foot)			The verb <i>get</i> can also be used	I know we started off on the wrong foot because I was late on our first date, but could you please give me another chance?
Get along (with)	To interact well or associate (with)			The idiom is used to describe whether or not there is a friendly relationship	I get along with my older brother. He is pretty cool.
Tie the knot	To get married	Get hitched		Used informally and often when the decision to marry is a quick one	My best friends tied the knot yesterday. The wedding was great!
On the rocks	Troubled (when having to do with a relationship)				The O'Brien's are seeing a counselor because their marriage is on the rocks .

Dating and Friendship

Word	Definition	Also	Grammar Note	Usage Note	Example
Go out (with)	To date. Amr. Eng: - to accompany socially on a single date Br. Eng: - a series of dates with one person.	Take someone out	<i>Take out</i> is separable		Dave wanted to go out with the new girl at school, but he was too shy to ask.
Go with	To date on a regular basis (more common in American English)	Go steady (with)		<i>Go steady</i> is not commonly used by younger people. <i>Go out with</i> can also be used for a series of dates (more Br. Eng)	Ulla has been going with Steve for several months.
Blind date	A date with a person whom one has not met before		<i>have</i> a blind date. <i>go on</i> a blind date.		My roommate arranged a blind date for me so I could go to the party with someone.
Fix up (with)	To arrange for two people to date	Set up (with)	<i>Fix up</i> and <i>set up</i> are separable. The subject of the sentence is the person who arranges the date for another person.		Mike didn't have a date for the party, so he was glad when his friend fixed him up .

Old flame	A previous boyfriend or girlfriend (opposite: - a new flame)				Kim was surprised when she accidentally met an old flame at the supermarket.
Break up (with)	To end a relationship, to stop dating	Spit up (with), Break-off	<i>Break off</i> is separable		In the United States, 50 percent of all married people eventually break up .
Stand someone up	To fail to appear for a date, to leave waiting, to cancel at the last minute.		Separable and the object is usually after the verb.		I can't believe that Lydia stood Jake up last night without even calling him.
Make up (with)	To become friendly again after an argument or disagreement	Get back together Bury the hatchet			After two days of not talking to each other, Casey and Ann made up .

English/Korean Vocabulary: Dating, Personality, Looks, Build, Hair, Skin

Dating

admired from afar	선망의 대상인	make out	키스하다
blind date	소개팅	make up with	다시 잘 해보다
break up	이별하다, 헤어지다	matchmaker (professional)	만남 주선자 (마담뚬)
broken-hearted	상처를 받은	mean drunk	술 버릇이 나쁜
cheap	돈 쓰기를 싫어하는	nasty	심술궂은
cheap date	저렴하게 하는 데이트	naughty	나쁜 짓을 한
cheap drunk	싼 술도 좋아하는	one night stand	하룻밤의 성관계, 만남
cheated on him/her	바람피우다	out of sight, out of mind	안보이면 마음도 멀어진다
chemistry	마음이 통하는 관계	playboy	바람동이
conceited	잘난 척 하는	playing hard to get	튀기는
crushed	매우 낙심한	playing the field	많은 사람을 만나는
dating around	여러명과 만나는	pretentious	허세를 부리는
Dear John letter	이별의 편지	puppy love	어릴적 첫사랑
fake	거짓의	ring finger	결혼 반지 둘 끼는 왼손 약지
fast / She's fast	속도가 빠른	rings: promise, engagement, wedding:	약속, 약혼, 결혼 반지
fireworks	(남녀사이의) 격한 감정	secret admirer	남 모르게 좋아하는 사람
fix me up with	자연스럽게 만나게 해주다	some enchanted evening	황홀한 밤
flirt/she's a flirt	꼬리치는/비꼬는	stood up	바람을 맞추다
gigalo	바람기 많은, 믿을 수 없는 남자	take it slow	시간을 두고 천천히 관계를 가지다
give a hard time	(잔소리, 튀기기로)힘들게 하다	tease/she's a tease	약올리다
go/going steady	한 사람만 사귀다	two-timer	이중적인
gossip/she's a gossip	소문/남의 얘기를 잘 하는 사람	unfaithful	신용이 없는, 믿음이 가지 않는
happy/unhappy drunk	술버릇이 나쁘지 않은/나쁜	we can still be friends	친구는 되어줄께.애인->친구로
have a crush on	~에게 반하다	we have to talk	우리 얘기 좀 할까?
hit the road Jack	사라져! (go away!)	platonic friend	그냥 이성 친구
horny	호색의	male friend	그냥 이성 친구
lead a person on	마치 좋아하는 것처럼 행동하는	boyfriend	애인(남자친구)
loose/she's loose	쉬운, 다루기 쉬운	steady boyfriend	오랜 만남을 가진 남자친구
love at first sight	첫 눈에 반하다	lover = sex partner only, more lust than love	
love triangle	삼각관계	fiancee	약혼자
lover	성관계만 가지는 연인	widowed	미망인이 된
lust/love	육체적인 사랑/사랑	divorced	이혼한

Personality

absent-minded	건망증이 있는	lively	활기찬
adorable	존경할 만한, 사랑스러운	lovable	사랑스러운
affectionate	애정적인	loyal	충실한, 충직한
ambitious	야망있는	mature	성숙한
artistic	미적 감각이 있는	mean	비열한, 못된
blunt	무딘, 무뚝뚝한	mellow	원만한
boring	따분한	mild-mannered	온순한
bossy	남을 다스리고자 하는	mischievous	장난을 좋아하는
carefree	자유분방한	moody	우울한, 감정 기복이 심한
clever	영리한	narrow-minded	마음이 좁은
compassionate	동정적인, 인정이 많은	nervous	신경질적인, 불안한
conservative	보수적인	non-conformist	반항적인 사람
considerate	사려깊은	obnoxious	역겨운
cooperative	협동적인	old-fashioned	시대에 뒤떨어진
creative	창조적인	open-minded	개방적인
creepy	소름끼치는, 오싹해지는	optimistic	낙천주의의
curious	호기심 많은	outgoing	외향적인
daring	대담한	passionate	열정적인
demure	짐장내는, 침착한	perfectionist	완벽주의자
devoted	헌신적인	perky	명랑한, 밝은
diplomatic	협상을 잘하는	pessimistic	비관적인
disgusting	구역질나는, 꼴불견의	psychotic	정신병의, 이상한
easy going	편안한 성격의	playboy	바람둥이
extrovert	외향적인	polite	예의바른
fun to be with	함께 하면 재미있는	popular	인기 있는
generous	관대한	proud	거만한, 잘난체 하는
gracious	자비로운, 인자한	quiet	조용한
gregarious	사교적인	secretive	비밀스런
grouchy	토라지는	self-confident	자신만만한
gullible	잘 속는, 얼빠진	selfish	이기적인
happy camper	밝고 기쁜 성격의 소유자	sensitive	섬세한
high achiever	성취욕이 강한 사람	sentimental	감상적인
hot-tempered	성급한	shy	수줍음 타는
hyper	과도하게 흥분한	social	사교적인
immature	미숙한	spoiled	버릇 없는
impulsive	충동적인	stable	착실한, 안정된 성격의
indecisive	우유부단한	stick in the mud	재능이 없는, 우둔한
independent	독립심이 강한	stingy	인색한
individualistic	개인주의적인	strict	엄격한
insecure	믿을 수 없는	stubborn	완고한
intellectual	지적인	studious	공부를 좋아하는
intolerant	완고한	sweet	상냥한
introvert	내성적인	tempermental	변덕스러운
irresponsible	무책임한	tolerant	인내심이 있는
kind	친절한	troublemaker	말썽쟁이
laid back	느긋한	unfaithful	신뢰할 수 없는
lazy	게으른	unselfish	이기적이지 않은
leader	지도자	wall flower	인기 없는 여자
lenient	관대한	well-informed	박식한

FEMALE LOOKS

a face only a mother could love:	아주 못생긴
ugly	못생긴
unattractive	매력이 없는
plain	평범한
so-so	그저 그런
fair	보통의
average	보통의
OK	외모가 괜찮은
cute	귀여운
pretty	예쁜
precious	사랑스러운
beautiful	아름다운
gorgeous	매우 아름답고 멋진
stops traffic	매우 아름답고 근사한
drop dead gorgeous	매우 멋지고 아름다운

MALE LOOKS

ugly	못생긴
unattractive	매력적이지 않은
plain	평범한
so-so	그저그런, 보통의
fair	보통의
average	보통의
OK	괜찮은 외모의
cute	귀여운
good looking	잘생긴
pretty boy	예쁘게 생긴 남자
ruggedly handsome	전체적으로 괜찮게 잘 생긴
handsome	매우 잘 생긴
a hunk	잘 생기고 멋진 남자

MEN'S & WOMEN'S

BUILD (M = males only)

tall, short, medium	(키가) 큰, 작은, 중간
thin/fat/average	날씬한/뚱뚱한/보통의
skin and bones	매우 마른
skinny	마른
slender	쭉 빠진
washboard stomach (M)	날씬한 배
love handles (M)	남자 살져 나온 허리살
buff (M)	뚱뚱한
pudgy	통통한
stocky (M)	땅딸막한
heavy set (M)	살찐 (완곡한 표현)
beer belly (M)	볼록나온 배
muscular	근육질의
obese	비만의

MEN'S HAIR

beard	턱수염
goatee	염소 수염 (Park, Chan-ho)
mustache	콧수염 (Clark Gable)
sideburns	구레나룻 (Elvis)
hairy chest	가슴에 털이 있는
receding hairline	앞머리부터 빠져가는 (Nicholas Cage)
balding	대머리가 되어가는 (Gene Hackman)
bald	대머리의

WOMEN'S HAIR

bangs	짧게 찢은 앞머리
colored, dyed	염색한
streaked	브릿지한
straight	곧은 머리의
wavy	약간 부드럽게 곱슬거리는
curly	곱슬곱슬한
permed	파마한
frizzy	매우 곱슬거리는, 고수머리의
pigtails	양쪽으로 땀아늘린 머리
ponytail	한가닥으로 뒤로 묶은 머리
pulled straight back	뒤로 싹 넘겨 묶은 머리
parted in the middle	앞가르마한
in a bun	묶어서 뿔모양으로 올린
shoulder length	어깨 길이의

WOMEN'S BUILD

voluptuous	가슴이 크고 잘 빠진
well-endowed	가슴이 큰
flat-chested	가슴이 없는
slim	날씬한
well built	몸매 좋은
hourglass figure	날씬한 몸매
good body	잘 빠진 몸매
big-boned	살찐, 체격이 큰
bottom heavy	하체가 크고 살찐
petite	작지만 매력적인
pleasingly plump	쭈뚱통통한
thunder thighs	살찐 허벅지
pear shape	하체가 뚱뚱한
legs up to here	긴 다리
nice legs	잘 빠진 다리

SKIN

silky smooth	매끈한
like a baby's bottom	보드라운
soft, smooth	폭신한, 부드러운
milky white	유유처럼 하얀
weathered	거칠고 햇볕에 탄
leathery	거친, 가죽처럼 질긴
pitted, scarred	자국이 남은
wrinkled	주름진