

Kiss of the Romantic

© 2009 Kiss of the Romantic

ROMANTIC WORKSHOP #20

YOU CAN BET ON YOUR ROMANCE

Here is a fun activity that can help to keep things interesting in your day to day life together. You can both make use of the “wager” or “bet” if you will. Do you really hate to do your share of washing dishes? Would you like to have control of the TV remote at a critical time? Do you wish for oral sex more often? Do you want to be the boss tonight? Maybe you can; if you win the wager that is. Yes, there is risk in any wager, but the risk in betting with your lover is not bad if your loving bet-winner gets something that he or she really wants. Why? Because the bet loser is in love with the bet winner, and pleasing your spouse/partner is not a losing proposition at all. There is pleasure to be had in losing, even if you end up having to give a thirty minute foot massage. In essence we are saying that “your pleasure is my pleasure as well.” So if you are ready to make use of this fun activity in your relationship we hope to offer some new twists and turns to make it even more interesting and fun.

Small disagreements and differences of opinion can be turned into a lighthearted wager for fun and pleasure. You disagree on who was the main character in an old movie. He says it was Charlton Heston, for instance, and she says it was Charles Bronson. “OK, want to bet?” he says. “Yea” she replies. Now you can set the stakes; he says “if I’m right you give me a strip tease to music.” Then she may reply “OK, but if I am right you must give me a full body massage, with oil for one full hour.” “You’re on” he says. Now the time has come to look up the movie to see who is right (the bet winner) and who is wrong (the bet loser).

Another possible scenario is less spontaneous. You can, as a couple, bet for the sake of betting. This method can make use of the

outcome of a sports game, an election, or even weather conditions on a particular day. Make a bet on two chosen NASCAR drivers where the first of the two drivers to cross the finish line determines the bet winner. Set your stakes on the winner of a game of backgammon you play together. Remember, you are betting on your romance, and your wagers can be anything from chores, to particular dates, to your favorite pampering scenario, to your favorite sexual activity. A word of warning; the trick here is to wager things you want to win within the limits of what you know your partner will agree to. If you try to test this game with outrageous wagers, the game itself may suffer, and you just may incur your partner's wrath.

Maybe you can raise the bar a little with this idea. Take turns giving each other a dare! Let's declare that women go first, and then set a reasonable time limit to complete the dare and set your stakes on who will fail first with their dare. For example, she states that if he fails first in a dare, she wins not having to cook dinner for one whole week. He bets that if she is first to fail a dare, he doesn't have to help with the dishes for one whole week. Both agree and she makes her first dare. "I dare you to cook us a candle-lit dinner tonight, only do it naked, with only a red bow tied around your neck. Of course the shades will be closed and the house/apartment will be warm enough. "You will also stay naked during the consumption of this dinner" she adds. Let's say that he completes his dare and now takes his turn. "OK", he states, I dare you to do the same thing tomorrow! As you can see, the possibilities are endless; plus each of you can set the scene to be extremely titillated with each dare if you wish!

If you think you would like to try some of these ideas out with your partner then print this document and hand it to your lover. Discuss the possibilities (how you may wish to tailor this workshop to your own liking) along with any particular taboos either of you may have. Some of the things you may wish to discuss are: what you wish to bet on, what each of you will get if you win, and when the payoff will be. Chances are he or she will be thrilled at giving these

ideas a go. A little imagination employed with your wagers and dares will truly **revitalize, enhance, and maintain your romance!**

Caution! The act of gambling is known to cause addiction in some people. We at Kiss of the Romantic do not endorse or promote gambling outside of your relationship. Our intent in this workshop is for you as a couple to engage each other more often and have fun doing it! So please, if you like what you have read here, make the extra effort in your relationship to **bet on your romance** and realize a more fulfilling, exciting, and fun-loving life together!