

The Dating Bill of Rights

In a relationship:

- ✚ I have a right to my own, separate identity.**
- ✚ I have a right to have my own friends and hobbies.**
- ✚ I have a right to speak my mind, even if it means disagreeing with my partner.**
- ✚ I have a right to change my mind.**
- ✚ I have a right to express my feelings.**
- ✚ I have a right to decide where I go and what I do on a date.**
- ✚ I have a right to refuse to do anything that makes me uncomfortable.**
- ✚ I have a right to pursue my dreams.**
- ✚ I have a right to live without fear of my partner.**
- ✚ I have a right to end the relationship at any time.**

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