



# The Weaker Sex

## "Girls are always

talking about hunks. Always a new heartthrob they all salivate over. They have to have the latest underwear or nightgown from Victoria's Secret, or the newest designer perfume, the tightest pants, and most revealing top. But when I make a move on a girl, she acts all offended. I know she'll go back to her girlfriends and say I'm a sex fiend. You know, I'll be honest—I actually like the opera. And I think it'd be a great date to spend the evening at Barnes & Noble reading some cool books over coffee. Yeah, right...if I invited some girl to Barnes & Noble, she'd be telling everyone I was gay."

Dan, 18

## The Stats

### Battle of the Sexes

By subject, who is better?

Course	Boys	Girls	About equal
Social studies/history	23%	21%	56%
Music	11	35	54
Science	34	14	52
Math	25	24	51
Art	26	26	48
English/writing	4	68	28
Foreign languages	7	44	49

## By the Book...

Now to the unmarried and the widows I say: It is good for them to stay unmarried, as I am. But if they cannot control themselves, they should marry, for it is better to marry than to burn with passion.

1 Corinthians 7:8-9

At two in the morning the slumber-party discussion turned (again) to guys, and this time all the girls were in agreement.

"Why are guys so boring? Why can't they plan dates that are fun? Why can't they plan at all?" The girls were having a field day comparing stories. Guys either asked them to go to a movie or to watch a video. Period. Those were the usual options. All other dates were part of the school schedule—football games, dances, the mandatory Friday night party.

"Why can't guys think of something creative—a picnic, a hike, a scavenger hunt, a cookout—or even cooking their own gourmet dinner?" The girls decided they knew why guys don't think of any creative dates: all they can think about is sex. They want to get the movie over with so they can get on with it—and sometimes they can't even wait, and start making out there in the theater.

The girls talked about how wonderful it would be if you could spend an entire evening or day with a guy without him making one sexual move. Just to have fun or be with a guy without any sexual pressure would be so rare!

The girls decided on one other reason for guys' lack of creativity—they're afraid. Afraid to do something different, because other guys might criticize them—or worse yet, the date might not work. Guys really are wimps, the girls concluded—definitely the weaker sex.

1. Do you agree or disagree with the girls' conclusions?



2. Why don't guys plan creative dates?

3. Have you ever been on a creative date?

4. Do you agree with the girls that sex is the motivation for most guys?