

TOP 11 TIPS FOR SEPARATED/SEPARTING PEOPLE

1. Respect the other person's differences.
2. Focus on the present and future, not the past.
3. Change the things you can and accept those things that you cannot change, including the other person's opinions and behavior.
4. If there are children, focus on what is in their best interest and do not use the children as pawns to "get back" at the other parent.
5. Focus on the benefits that will come as a result of cooperation through the divorce; likewise, think about the possible detriments in not cooperating through the divorce.
6. Be open and honest in fully disclosing all assets, liabilities, income and expenses to the other person...it's the law.
7. Be positive and creative in problem-solving and realize that there is usually more than one answer to a particular dilemma.
8. Remain open to suggestions offered by the other person in resolving disputes.
9. Focus on solutions that are acceptable, finding common ground to alleviate both your and the other person's concerns.
10. Realize that you can only control one person...you.
11. Be flexible and willing to compromise.

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