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FLIRTING IS KEY TO SUCCESSFUL DATING AND PICKING UP WOMEN. SOME guys are naturals, some aren't. How can a guy who's not good at flirting get good?

I used to suck at flirting. Now, I like to spend almost the entire first date flirting. I find it leads to more second dates. In fact, the best two relationships I've had started with excessive flirting.

How did I get good? I watched other guys flirt. I said things that popped into my head that I thought were too risqué to say. I pushed the envelope. These are the ways to get good at flirting.

Guys can practice flirting with other guys. What?! Relax, pay attention. When I'm out with other guys, we rip on each other all the time; it's how guys bond. This ripping is not all that different from flirting. Consider a tennis match I recently played against a friend. He hit a ball into the net softly several times in a row. I ribbed him, "Hey, if you're gonna play like that, at least trade those shorts in for a skirt."

After he had a few miss hits—gifts to me on points he otherwise would have won—I ribbed him again, "Slut; I'll drop you off later on your corner."

One day I was playing hockey when the opposing team scored a soft goal through our goalie's legs. Our best defenseman turned to the goalie and said, "Close your legs, you whore."

This is not that different from the day I approached a woman who played on four different volleyball teams and asked, "You're just a volleyball slut, aren't you?"

Practice with the guys then tweak it a little for the ladies. Good flirting will be the result.