

Online Personals and Internet Dating: Is There Anyone Out There?

You want to meet a person that is on the same wavelength as you. You are romantic but you do not necessarily believe in love at first sight. You understand it takes time in getting to know someone.

So you have been trying this internet dating online for quite some time. You know about the incredible benefits such as convenience, availability and a wide variety of potential partners to choose from tailored to your specifications.

Unfortunately you still have not heard from anyone. Why not? It could have a lot to do with the type of profile you have put out there. Just like the classified section of your local newspaper the whole point of writing an online personal profile is to sell yourself. You are inviting people to check out what is under the hood i.e. what you have to offer as a person and what you can bring to the relationship table.

Therefore it can be pretty disheartening when you do not find any takers from the product known as you. Indeed it appears like you cannot even get people to kick the tires. But do not beat yourself up. Many online dating participants have a tendency to start blaming themselves to the extreme when nobody answers their ad. All this does is sabotage them for any possible future contact. They try too hard when someone finally does respond; in doing so they push a would-be partner away (being aggressive in online dating is a red flag to many people). The result is it drives their already shaky confidence down a little bit further. Eventually they give up all together.

No need to go that route. Sometimes it just comes down to making some tweaks here and there. You did not necessarily do anything wrong. Nobody writes the perfect online profile but there maybe things you can do to make it more attractive:

1. Write a report. NOT!

Giving a list of facts about your life maybe truthful but it can also be frightfully dull. People reading your profile want to make a connection with you therefore write a short story about your life. Do not try to cram in every detail; just enough to entice people to want to know more. Use humor where appropriate however you are not a clown so do not try to be funny every other sentence.

Also try to strike a balance in the confidence scale. Boasting will make you sound like a potential jerk but playing it too sympathetic may come off like you are looking for a shoulder to ALWAYS cry on. That is a turnoff.

2. Exactly

Stay away from speaking in generalities when it comes to your profile. You like music. Who doesn't? What types of music? Write them down in your profile. Mention a certain artist or song. Music is a great connecting force. Be specific. People want to know or at least get a feel for the kind of person they maybe dating so let them into your world a little bit more.

3. Accentuate the Positive

Your last relationship ended so miserably even the dog left you. That is life. Things happen but there is no need to keep hammering the point. You are dating online to get a fresh start not to get counseling. Focusing on the negative will only keep people from wanting to meet you. Misery may love company but it can get old real quick. Leave whatever failed relationships you had in the past.

An online personal ad is meant to introduce you to the community and attract a partner who is on the same wavelength. That is why it is important to write an interesting profile that speaks in specifics and highlights the positive while remaining truthful. So if you have to make tweaks to your ad do it now and pretty soon you will have people standing in line who cannot wait to get to know you.

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