

# ARE YOU TWO A COUPLE?

based on reels by @meetcutesnyc



## ABOUT MEET CUTES NYC:

@meetcutesnyc is an Instagram and TikTok account created by three friends from NYC. They interview couples on the street, asking people how they first met and what they love about each other years later.

**WARM-UP:** How do people usually find love? Try to come up with 10 most common ways. Do you know anybody who met their significant other (= a partner) this way? What's their story?

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**MEET CUTES NYC:** Watch the reels and answer the questions.

### REEL 1: "Languages of Love" <https://www.instagram.com/p/CpLrUH9tjmE/>

- **a sign language** - język migowy
- **to take up sth** - zacząć coś robić (np. *to take up piano lessons, to take up modelling*)
- **to ask sb out (on a date)** - zaprosić kogoś na randkę
- **a former student** - były uczeń (tak samo: *a former president, a former teacher* etc.)

1. How did they meet? How long have they been together?
2. "Our language is different, our world is different but we still connected" - how do you understand it?  
How important is communication in a relationship to you?

### REEL 2: First Impression Haircuts <https://www.instagram.com/p/Co2jVDYr3OE/>

- **Jheri curls** - na pewno kojarzycie tę fryzurę! To takie trwałe, mocno skrócone loczki, które były bardzo popularne w latach 80. wśród Afroamerykanów :)
- **Hold on!** - poczekaj!
- **It's been a while.** - minęło już trochę czasu (w znaczeniu: *sporo*). Często używane na przywitanie, gdy kogoś dawno nie widzieliśmy (jak takie nasze: *Kopę lat!*)
- **to take credit for sth** - przypisywać sobie zasługi za coś
- **to seal sth** - zabezpieczać coś (słowo *seal* oznacza też pieczęć)

1. How did they meet? What's the one thing they disagree about?
2. What's the secret to a happy marriage according to him? Do you agree?

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**REEL 3: "Meeting Through Your Ex"** <https://www.instagram.com/p/Cu0DrhHNQzS/>

- **to have a nerve to do sth** - mieć tupet/czelność, żeby coś zrobić
- **be married TO sb** - uwaga na przyimek!, nie mówimy: *she was married \*WITH him*, tylko właśnie: *she was married TO him*
- **to go through sth** - przechodzić przez coś (coś trudnego lub nieprzyjemnego np. *to go through a divorce, to go through a bad patch*)
- **civil** - tutaj: uprzejmy, grzeczny

1. How did they meet? What was the woman's first impression of him?
2. What does the man do for a living? What advice would he give to a person going through a divorce and a person who's just got divorced?
3. Have a look at the two comments from the comment section. Who do you agree more with?



**sairanw** This is the only one I have seen that I didn't find cute. Just feel sorry for the Ex wife and kids tbh. Nice 'friend' she was! 😞

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**marisolvalerin** Damn too many of you are salty af and obviously don't believe that everything happens for a reason. It doesn't matter if they were friends, family, coworkers, partners... you can't stop life from happening. And only a selfish and emotionally inept person would stop someone else from finding love. We're not entitled to anyone. Our time is shared. I understand if it was coming from a harmful intention but when it's meant to be, it's meant to be. The first wife was what they needed to find each other!

2 dni 4 polubień Odpowiedz Zobacz tłumaczenie ...



**tbh** = to be honest, jak mam być szczerą

**salty af** = salty as fuck - cholernie wkurzony

**an emotionally inept person** - osoba z problemami emocjonalnymi (*inept* = nieporadny, nieudolny, nieprzystosowany)

**be meant to** - być przeznaczonym do (np. *we're meant to be together!*)

**VOCABULARY PRACTICE 1:** Fill in the gaps with the missing word(s). All the sentences come from the reels.

1. They offered for the teachers to take \_\_\_\_\_ sign language classes in Manhattan for free.
2. And then he asked me \_\_\_\_\_ to tea.
3. What's it like dating a \_\_\_\_\_ student?
4. Hold \_\_\_\_\_! When I met you I wasn't wearing that!
5. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ credit for it.
6. It was gonna cause problems because I had a friend who was married \_\_\_\_\_ him.
7. What advice would you give to a couple who is going \_\_\_\_\_ a divorce?

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**VOCABULARY PRACTICE 2:** Translate the fragments in brackets using the words from the reels or the comment section.

1. I'd like to learn a \_\_\_\_\_ (*język migowy*) one day.
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ (*zaprosił ją na randkę*), she said yes and... the rest is history!
3. Nicolas Sarkozy, the \_\_\_\_\_ (*były*) French president, said that...
4. He got \_\_\_\_\_ (*wkurzony*) with me because I refused to come to his party.
5. Go easy on her. She's \_\_\_\_\_ (*przechodzi przez*) a hard time.
6. I can't believe Patrick still \_\_\_\_\_ (*ma tupet/czelność*) to ask me for help!
7. \_\_\_\_\_ (*poczekaj*) for a sec. I need to check one thing.
8. Martin?! \_\_\_\_\_ (*kopę lat!*) How have you been?

## ANSWER KEY

### VOCABULARY PRACTICE 1

1. They offered for the teachers to take **UP** sign language classes in Manhattan for free.
2. And then he asked me **OUT** to tea.
3. What's it like dating a **FORMER** student?
4. Hold **ON!** When I met you I wasn't wearing that!
5. I can't **TAKE** credit for it.
6. It was gonna cause problems cause I had a friend who was married **TO** him.
7. What advice would you give to a couple who is going **THROUGH** a divorce?

### VOCABULARY PRACTICE 2

1. I'd like to learn **a sign language** one day.
2. He **asked her out** on a date, she said yes and... the rest is history! (past simple)
3. Nicolas Sarkozy, the **former** French president, said that...
4. He got **salty** with me because I refused to come to his party.
5. Go easy on her. She's **going through** a hard time. (present continuous)
6. I can't believe Patrick still still **has a nerve** to ask me for help!
7. **Hold on** for a sec. I need to check one thing.
8. Martin?! **It's been a while!** How have you been?