

## Are You Ever Prepared To get Married?

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### 1. Is your shaadi shopping done?

Almost everyone who meets me asks me that, has been asking me that for the last few months. I am sure people will conjure up things that I surely need to buy even till the last day. I never knew a day would come when I would be sick of shopping. Well its come and I sure am sick of shopping. I loved shopping &ndash; agenda less, impulsive shopping. But shaadi shopping has got to my nerves. Deciding on a guy was hard enough, so deciding on the ring, the clothes, make-up, jewelry for the &ldquo;forever moment&rdquo; is probably the most difficult project I have ever done. I do not want to look at another sari or jewelry I will never wear after the wedding!!

### 2. Are you prepared to get married?

Can anyone really be? Or this there a way to be prepared? I don&rsquo;t even know in how many ways is my life going to change. How can I be prepared for how to deal with the change right now? The best possible thing I can maybe do is to hope that I can handle it in the future.

### 3. So how do you feel leaving home, mom and dad and going to a strange unknown family?

This one is the best&hellip; I am delighted you see!!! I am going to strange country where I have no friends and the comfort of running away home whenever loneliness strikes&hellip; yeah you could say I am happy&hellip;.. Duh!! How would I feel??

Not that I believe in the funda of leaving mom and dad&hellip; Can you ever leave mom and dad? I left home and by that I mean the physical state of home more than eight years ago so going someplace else is not weird or sad. I guess what&rsquo;s not so nice is the fact that I will not be in close physical proximity to visit them as often as the luxury of Bangalore-Kerala has provided me. That will take getting used to. Secondly, the family I will try and fit into, is not strange anymore&hellip; after almost a year they cannot be strange. I guess it will take adapting from both ends&hellip; but am sure we will figure out a way.

What I will miss the most however, is the familiarity of India. I missed India when I was in Sweden for a year. And I know for sure I will miss it now. I will miss the luxury of picking up the phone and talking to my closest pals and make adhoc plans to meet them some place, will miss the place I work at and the people here, its been the only institution which has remained constant in my life for more than 3 years...

Could go on with the list&hellip; but am senti all of a sudden, and scared and nervous! I guess its time to wrap this up right now, or else will start as to wondering why on earth am I getting married&hellip; A won&rsquo;t be too pleased by that one :-).