

50 Interview Questions for [Adryenn Ashley](#)

1. Would you please share a little bit about your professional background and how it informs your book?
2. *Every Single Girl's Guide to Her Husband's Last Divorce* was born from your personal experience. What aspect(s) of your own life made you want to write the book in the first place?
3. What do you hope to accomplish with *Every Girl's Guide*?
4. Could you give an example of the ideal reader for your book? What type of person really needs this book as a resource?
5. I understand *Every Single Girl's Guide* actually started out as a documentary about the child support system in the United States. Would you tell me a little bit about that project?
6. How did the project evolve from a documentary to a financial guide for single women?
7. How much of your research for the documentary made it into the book? What did you leave out and why?
8. Tell me about your readers. You wrote the book primarily for single women in a relationship with a divorced man, but what do we all need to learn about marriage or second marriage?
9. Your book has a lot of advice about protecting assets. How does this advice apply to single men and women who are not in a relationship?
10. How does your book help couples who are already married, and who may not have been married before?
11. What do you feel is the most common misconception people have going into a marriage with someone who has been married before?
12. Many people cite rifts or stress over finances as a major cause of divorce. What are some of the most common financial issues second marriages face?
13. What do couples have to gain in discussing first marriages? What might they lose as a result of that discussion?

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14. What are some other common stresses in second marriages, not necessarily related to finances?
15. What are the five most critical tips you give women who are in a relationship with a divorced man? (Five tips: Read divorce decree, get credit reports, keep finances separate, get a prenup, and be nice to the ex.)
16. Why is it so important for women to read their partner's divorce decree, and what should they be looking for?
17. Your book also discusses the possibility that Prince Charming may be anything but, and that learning *how* your partner handled his divorce gives clues to his personality and relationship skills. Could you give some examples?
18. You advocate full financial disclosure, including sharing credit reports with your partner. Again, what should people be looking for when they look at a credit report?
19. Is it true that an ex-spouse can wreck your credit even after you're divorced? How can people make sure this doesn't happen?
20. For most couples, getting that joint bank account is a right of passage, but you recommend that both partners keep separate finances. What are some of the potential dangers in merging finances with your partner?
21. Does separate finances also mean giving up tax benefits most married people enjoy? Could you give some examples of tax deductions couples would have to sacrifice in order to file separate income tax returns?
22. How can a prenup protect the second spouse in a new marriage?
23. In your book you also talk about post-nuptial agreements. Why are they necessary?
24. In your book you advocate going out of your way to get along with your partner's ex spouse, especially when there are children from that marriage. Can you give specific examples of how to build that bridge?

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25. What would most people be surprised to learn about stepmothers?
26. Your book includes a “must have” document checklist of papers you need to have at your fingertips. What are the most critical documents and why do we need to have these papers close by?
27. In *Every Single Girl's Guide* you recommend reviewing old tax returns for possible errors. Would you talk a little bit more about that? What are the most common errors related to divorce?
28. Is it true that some men are committing tax fraud and don't even realize it?
29. In your book you tell the story of your friend who, when he wanted to get married again, discovered he was technically still married to his first wife. How does this happen, and, is it a common occurrence?
30. How does one find out if a divorce is finalized?
31. What about estate planning? What rights does the first wife have versus the new wife?
32. Is there any one document that people might not know they absolutely need to have on hand?
33. Are there special concerns for military families where one spouse has court-ordered obligations to the “first family?”
34. What's the best way to stay out of family court?
35. In your book you discuss the stress of family court and litigation on a new marriage. How can couples minimize this stress?
36. You make a point of saying in your book that family court is not a court of law. Would you explain that?
37. What rights do the new spouse and children have as opposed to the “first family?”
38. How do you tackle the subject of first wives in your book?
39. In your book you have an entire chapter devoted to child support

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- and family support obligations. Would you explain the difference between child support and family support?
40. Would you give some examples about how ongoing financial obligations to the "first family" affects the new family?
 41. When do ongoing financial obligations to the "first family" typically end? Are there any variables?
 42. What are some of the potential consequences of owing back child support or family support? Is there any way to prevent them?
 43. What's the deal with alimony? Is anyone getting it anymore?
 44. Can an ex spouse still get alimony for life?
 45. Is there ever a perfect storm, a set of circumstances when you would recommend that someone NOT get married?
 46. At what point would you recommend couples seek professional advice from experts such as yourself, or CPAs?
 47. Besides reading your book, what is the best way people can get educated about possible financial issues with their partner's divorce? Can you recommend any resources?
 48. What would surprise most people to learn about second marriages?
 49. What is the single most effective tool a woman can utilize to protect her assets when marrying a divorced man?
 50. If readers could take away just one lesson from *Every Girl's Guide*, what would you want them to know?