**Dating AdviceRecovering From An Embarassing Situation**

Everyone, at one point of time commits social blunders from time to time. Rather than bemoaning your errors, recover from them gracefully. These are the few tips you can follow:

1. Pretend nothing happened. If your accident was nothing noticeable (e.g tripping in the hallway), move on and avoid drawing attention to yourself.
2. If you are certain everyone notices it, it’s best confess and make humour of the situation. It will help ease the tension of the moment.
3. Apologize. Assuming your mistake is verbal such as saying something insensitive, apologize and then move on. Do it quickly and try to change the subject afterwards.
4. Replace what you've ruined. Spilling wine on your host's tablecloth takes more than an apology or joke to fix. In this case, take them aside, apologize profusely, and offer to replace or pay the dry cleaning bill for the ruined items.
5. Leave the room. Sometimes the only way to escape an awkward moment is to leave until you've collected yourself. That way, you have prevented the situation from becoming even more awkward.
6. The following are some examples other situations you may meet:

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| Your pants split. | Tie your jacket or sweater around your waist; buy or borrow a jacket or sweater to tie around your waist. Borrow a safety pin from the waiter. |
| You forgot your wallet | Throw yourself on the mercy of either your date or the manager (if you're a regular there). If your date likes you, at least he or she will know there will be another date — one for which you pay in full. |
| You get sick. | Hey, sick happens. Just don't deny it so long that you get sick right then and there. Tell your date you're not feeling well and need a few minutes in the restroom. If you really don't think you're going to make it, ask your date for help. Passing out in a bathroom stall will only make a bad situation worse. It's okay to ask for a rain check — or a barf check or a nasal drip check. |
| You pass wind. | Do not laugh it out. Apologize once and then (if possible) open a window. |
| You run into an angry ex. | Stay calm and let your ex be the only person in the room who makes a fool of him- or herself. |
| Your car breaks down. | Make the best of the situation. Call a tow truck and see if the tow truck can drop you off at the restaurant on the way, take a cab home after the meal and deal with your car tomorrow. |

1. No matter what happens, lighten up! Bear in mind this: It's just a date. Integrate laughter into the situation and it can instantly make things seem, and feel, much better.