

MY DATE

Iris and Caller 1

INT. CRUSH LOUNGE - NIGHT

IRIS, looking hot, as usual, sits in a booth with her legs stretched out on the seat. She faces camera and talks to a CALLER desperately in need of advice.

CALLER

(chewing gum)

Hi Iris, I'm dating this guy, he's smart, funny, totally hot, but he has this habit of humming when he eats. I think I have to cut him loose. What do you think?

IRIS

I'm sorry did you say, smart, funny and totally hot? Are you crazy? Everyone has annoying habits.

(aside)

How about chewing gum on the phone.

(back)

Humming while eating is just not a deal breaker. Murder, heroin addiction, sleeping with your sister, these are deal breakers. But pretty much everything else is negotiable. He probably doesn't even know he's doing it. So make him aware of it. But the trick is you have to be vulnerable first. Like you could say "I was thinking about how people are so different and everyone has their little quirks. Like I twirl my hair and you hum when you eat." He'll probably never do it again. And if he does, it's a small price to pay for a great guy.

CALLER

Thanks, Iris.

IRIS

They say, everything that bugs you about other people, teaches you something about yourself.

(aside)

Or it just makes you insane... could go either way.