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*Homespun Memories*  
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A rustic workshop interior featuring a wooden ladder leaning against a wall. A long, light-colored fabric hangs from the ladder. To the left, a brown leather bag sits on a wooden shelf. In the foreground, a large, textured, brown object, possibly a piece of fabric or a bag, is visible. A green jacket is draped over a wooden structure in the background. The overall atmosphere is warm and textured.

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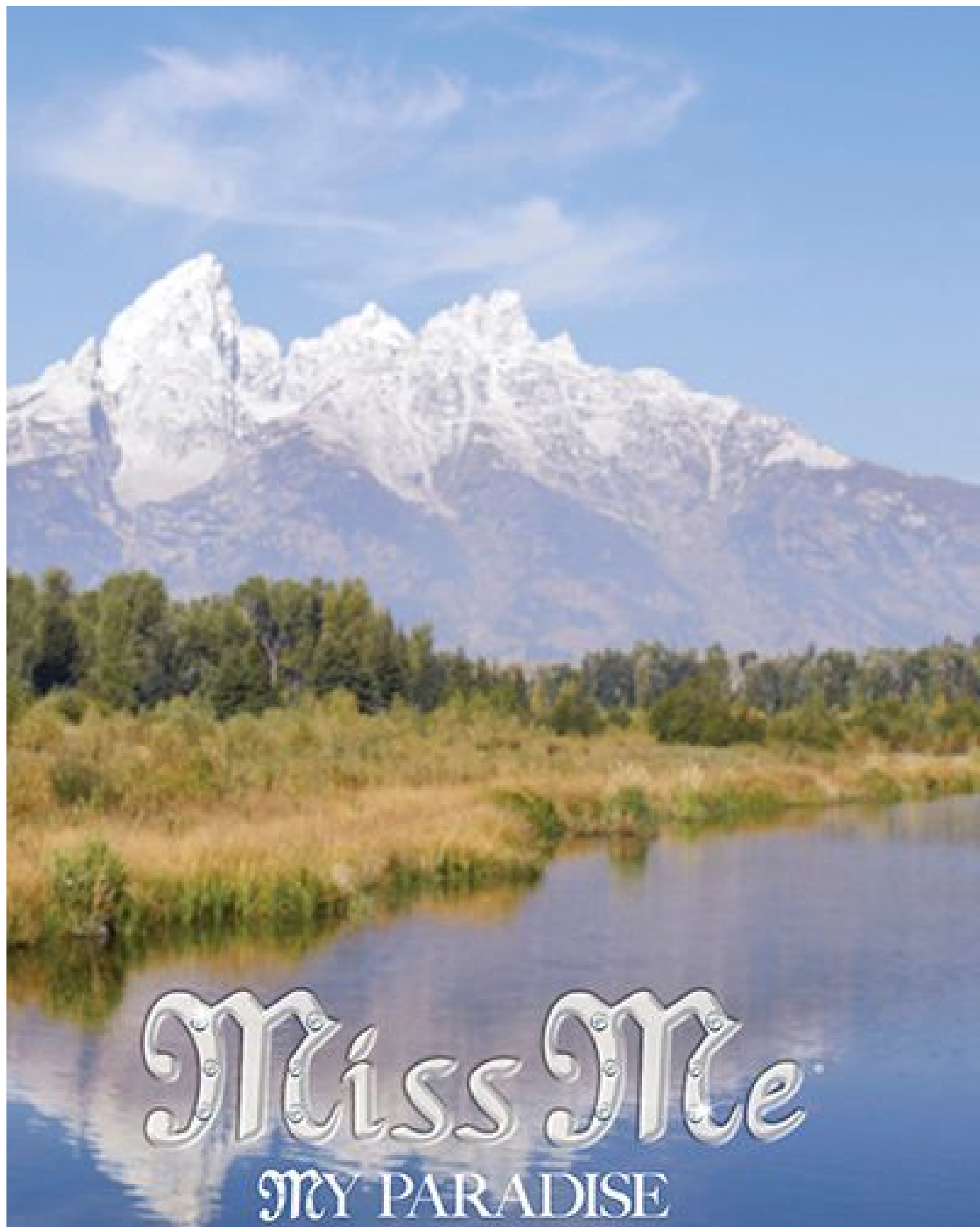
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## ***Spring Fashion Trends for Teens: Our Guide to What's in and What's out in 2018***

Teen fashion — it's notoriously hard to keep up with and 2018 is no different. Knowing how to dress trendy for every season can be a challenge, and that's why we've put together a spring teen fashion guide to help you know which pieces your kids will want to be rocking this spring and summer.

**For the Girls:**

Two elements will be key for girls' fashion this spring and summer: simplicity and comfort. Girls can keep up with trends with these cute but casual teen outfits including some of the best spring boots and fashion accessories of 2018.

**Sundresses** – A classic favorite for spring or summer girls can't go wrong with. Sundresses with splashy floral patterns are all the rage this year and look great paired with sandals or lace-up canvas shoes.

**Cardigans** – Not just a winter staple! Cardigans are perfect for those colder spring days. A simple neutral-colored cardigan is sure to dress up a plain t-shirt and high-waisted denim shorts.

**Laced-Up Neutral Tees** – A sophisticated but comfortable look is what these shirts are all about. They're extremely versatile and can be paired with skirts or any cut of denim.

**Hats** – For an easy way to add an extra element to any outfit, hats are your answer. Be on the lookout for straw hats, bucket hats, and denim baseball hats.

Loose Shorts – Cute meets comfort when it comes to loose shorts. These billowy shorts are loosely designed to the point where they resemble skirts, and they can be found in a variety of styles ranging from dressy to sporty. Whatever look you're going for, there's a pair of loose shorts that will be the perfect fit.

For the Guys:

Guys will also be focused on stylish comfort this season. Be on the lookout for these pieces, including some of the best shoes for teenage guys this spring and summer!

Canvas & Boat Shoes – Neutral colored lace-up canvas or boat shoes are perfect for casual spring days and can make an excellent addition to any spring outfit regardless of the weather.

Button Down Collared Tees – A step above the average tee, these shirts are classy yet comfortable enough for warm spring days. They look especially trendy with chino shorts and can be classed up even more with a sports jacket if need be.

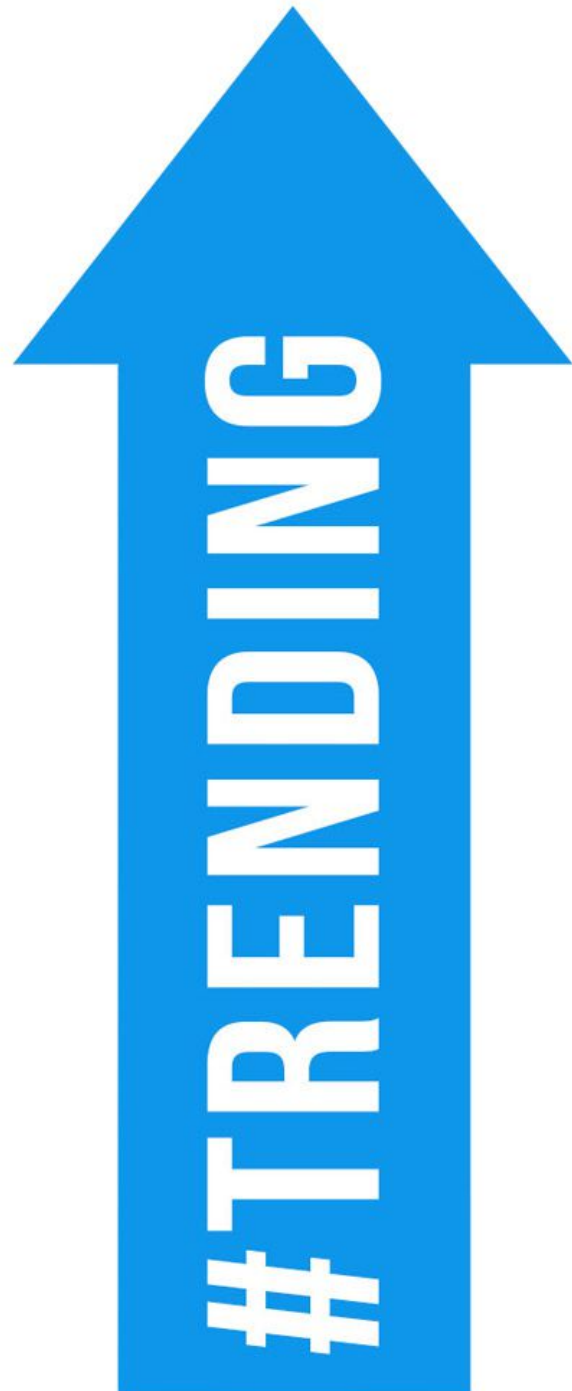
Chino Shorts – Casual but stylish, chino shorts should be an essential item for any teen guy's wardrobe. Pair with canvas shoes or boat shoes for a great spring look!

Desert Boots – Definitely a wise option to keep around for chillier days, desert boots are a trendy shoe for those going for a hip and outdoorsy look. They are best paired with neutral colored denim pants.

Heathered Tees – Both casual and comfortable, heathered tees are a classic staple in any guy's wardrobe. They look great paired with chino shorts (or any denim bottom!).

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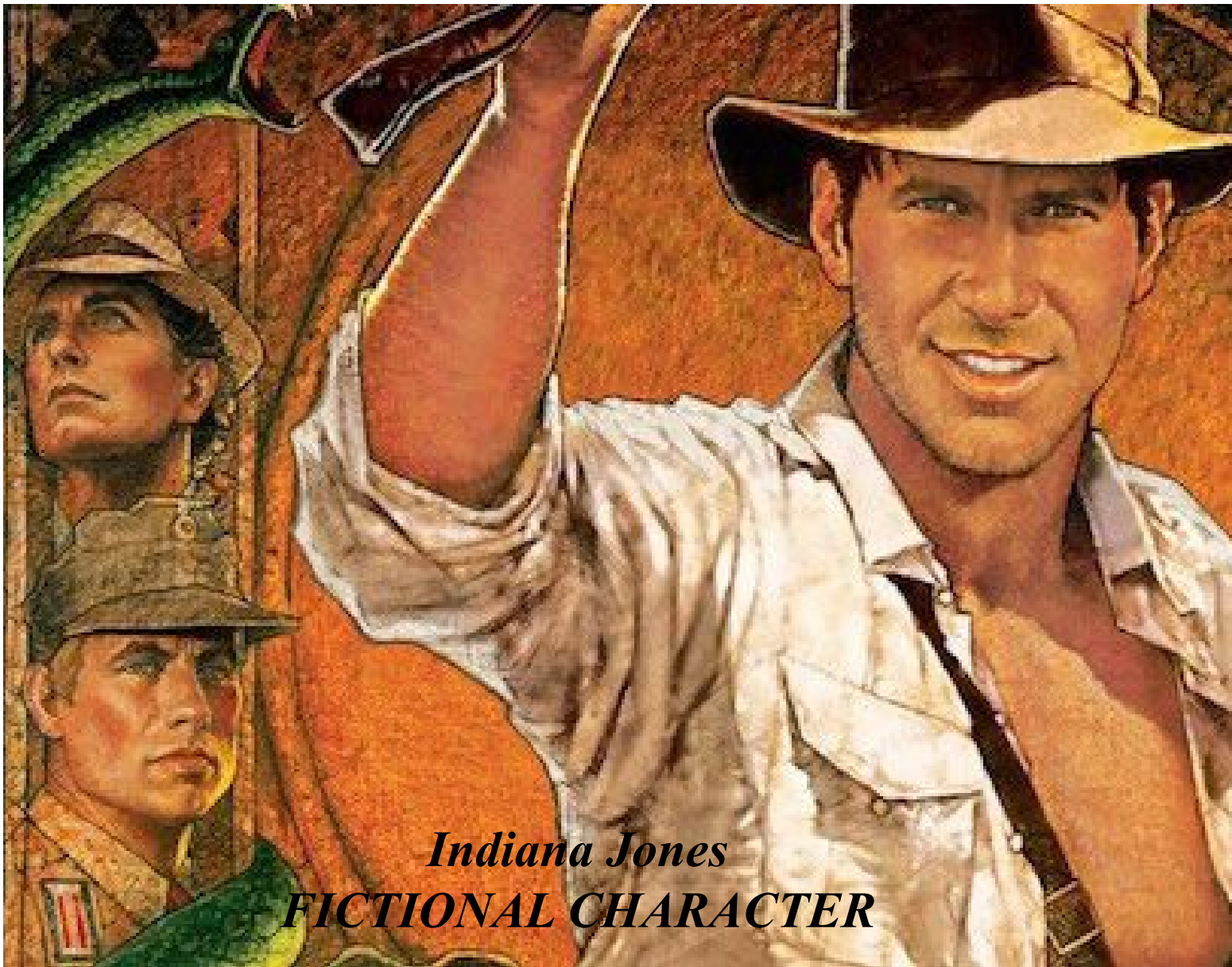
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*Indiana Jones*  
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***Alternative Title: Dr. Henry Jones***

Indiana Jones, American film character, an archaeologist and adventurer featured in a series of popular movies.

Raiders of the Lost Ark

Harrison Ford as Indiana Jones in Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981), directed by Steven Spielberg. © 1981 Lucasfilm with Paramount Pictures Corporation Indiana Jones is an American media franchise based on the adventures of Dr. Henry Walton "Indiana" Jones, Jr., a fictional professor of archaeology. It began in 1981 with the film Raiders of the Lost Ark. A prequel, Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom, followed in 1984, and a sequel, Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade, was released in 1989. A fourth film, Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull, was re-



leased in 2008, and was the last in the series to be distributed by Paramount Pictures. The series was created by George Lucas, and its films are directed by Steven Spielberg and star Harrison Ford as the title character. The Walt Disney Company has owned the Indiana Jones intellectual property since its acquisition of Lucasfilm, the series' production company, in 2012. A fifth film is planned for release on July 10, 2020, with both Spielberg and Ford returning.

The franchise expanded to television in 1992 with the release of *The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles*, a series featuring adventures the character had as a child as he traveled around the world with his father. Marvel Comics began publishing *The Further Adventures of Indiana Jones* in 1983, and Dark Horse Comics earned the comic book rights to the character in 1991. Novelizations of the films have been





published, as well as many novels with original adventures, including a series of German novels by Wolfgang Hohlbein, twelve novels set before the films published by Bantam Books, and a series set during the character's childhood inspired by the television show. Numerous Indiana Jones video games have been released since 1982.

American film producer George Lucas created the character as an homage to, and a reimagination of, the action-packed matinee serials he had enjoyed as a child. Steven Spielberg directed the films, also including *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom* (1984), *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade* (1989), and *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull* (2008). Comic-book artist and character designer Jim Steranko provided Jones with his iconic flight jacket, fedora, and bullwhip, and actor Harrison Ford gave the hero a charismatic on-screen presence. In recognition of his flattering portrayal of a rugged, adventurous archaeologist, Ford in 2008 was elected to the Board of Directors of the Archaeological Institute of America.



## Children's novels READING SUGGESTIONS

Ballantine Books published a number of Indiana Jones books in the Find Your Fate line, written by various authors. These books were similar to the Choose Your Own Adventure series, allowing the reader to select from options that change the outcome of the story. Indiana Jones books comprised 11 of the 17 releases in the line, which was initially titled Find Your Fate Adventure.

Indiana Jones and the Curse of Horror Island (June 1984) – R. L. Stine  
Indiana Jones and the Lost Treasure of Sheba (June 1984) – Rose Estes  
Indiana Jones and the Giants of the Silver Tower (Aug 1984) – R. L. Stine  
Indiana Jones and the Eye of the Fates (Aug 1984) – Richard Wenk  
Indiana Jones and the Cup of the Vampire (Oct 1984) – Andy Helfer  
Indiana Jones and the Legion of Death (Dec 1984) – Richard Wenk  
Indiana Jones and the Cult of the Mummy's Crypt (Feb 1985) – R. L. Stine  
Indiana Jones and the Dragon of Vengeance (Apr 1985) – Megan Stine and H. William Stine  
Indiana Jones and the Gold of Genghis Khan (May 1985) – Ellen Weiss  
Indiana Jones and the Ape Slaves of Howling Island (1986) – R. L. Stine  
Indiana Jones and the Mask of the Elephant (Feb 1987) – Megan Stine and H. William Stine  
Scholastic

In 2008, Scholastic released a series of middle-grade novels based on the stories and screenplays. Each book of this edition included several pages of color stills from filming.

Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark – Ryder Windham  
Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom – Suzanne Weyn  
Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade – Ryder Windham

In May 2009, two new middle-grade books were to begin a new series of Untold Adventures, though no further books appeared.[109]

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## ***5 ways travel will change in 2018***

(BPT) - As international travel gains popularity each year, new destinations are added to bucket lists and new travel gadgets and accessories appear on the market. The way we travel has changed in the past few decades, but that age-old itch to explore and discover new places and experiences remains the same. So how and why are people traveling now? The results of Visa's recently released Global Travel Intentions (GTI) Survey reveal some interesting travel

trends - and tips - to keep in mind for 2018.

**Simplifying payments abroad** - For as long as anyone can remember, a standard part of traveling to a foreign country involved exchanging currency. Carrying cash involves time, planning, anxiety about losing money and often, wondering what to do with leftover cash once you return home. In fact, loss or theft of cash is the number one money concern for travelers while on trips. And 72 percent of people say working to get their hands on foreign currency prior to departure is a waste of time.

With more than 46 million merchants accepting Visa around the world, a Visa card is the most important travel accessory you can carry.

**TIP:** Use your Visa card and pay in local currency for a competitive exchange rate. A whopping 87 percent of travelers have leftover cash after a trip. However, only 29 percent convert it back to currency that can be used at home. Avoid wasting money by sticking to your Visa card and only pulling out cash when needed.

**People travel because of culture** - Of





all the places to go in the world, why is it some people choose one place over another? According to Visa's GTI survey, 41 percent of people cite "rich culture" and "friendly locals" as reasons to pick a destination. Although famous monuments, great museums and spectacular palaces continue to draw in visitors, the people who live in a traveler's destination are hugely important.

**TIP:** Hang with the locals. Check out fun events such as festivals and concerts to make sure you're not missing the best events in the city you're visiting. And don't forget local flavors of the country's national dishes.

Ideal vacations look a little different to everyone - What do you want to get out of travel? Is it to meet new friends, see something in person you saw on television, or fulfill a longtime dream? When vacationing, 63 percent of travelers are motivated by a combination of reward and achievement. That means to them, an ideal vacation has some combination of relaxation and experiencing new cultures or exotic locations.

**TIP:** Block out time on your trip to relax and reflect on the experience. It can be easy to plan activities and sights to see, but it's important to rest in between.

People are feeling optimistic about travel - Though they may be excited to get out of their comfort zone, some people have reservations about the safety of traveling to far-off locations, or worry about affording such a trip. However, according to the GTI Survey, people are not letting these factors keep them at home. Globally, only 17 percent of people cited security as a top concern and only 19 percent chose a destination because it fit their budget. What that says is that people are willing and eager to visit their dream destinations.

**TIP:** Budget your trip accordingly. A better understanding of what you can spend can help keep your mind at

ease during travel. According to the GTI Survey, global travelers spend an average of \$1,793 per trip. However, if you are following Tip #1, keeping cash transactions to a minimum will help in the budgeting process. While on vacation, look for Visa or PLUS logos at point-of-sale terminals or ATMs to ensure international payment cards are accepted.

Technology is the new travel companion - The traveler's well-folded map and dog-eared guidebook might be a thing of the past. As more travelers adopt digital technology, virtually everything they need to navigate fits right in the palm of their hand. What's more, 88 percent of travelers have online access while abroad and almost half, 44 percent, use ride-sharing apps to get around once they are on the ground.

**TIP:** Research apps or technology that might be helpful on your travels. Downloading your bank or credit card apps can help track your money while traveling. As technology continues to revolutionize our daily lives, so it will continue changing how we travel.

Staying on top of trends can allow travelers to plan accordingly. By budgeting, planning, avoiding cash and finding out the best ways to track spending, travelers can get the most from their dream travels - and their wallets.

# *Top tips for planning an epic family vacation*



(BPT) - Are you dreaming about an incredible family escape your loved ones will always remember? Perhaps your dream vacation is filled with adventure while eating around the world and exploring castles in faraway places, or maybe it's relaxing on a private island with picturesque views of crystal clear water. Before taking off, you need to tackle the logistics. Fortunately, with a few tips from those in the know, creating an unforgettable getaway can be as magical as taking one.

## ***Tip #1: Get the inside scoop***

No idea where to begin? Talk with a trustworthy resource or fellow parent who has “been there.” The honest and relatable vacation tips you’ll receive are invaluable and can ease the planning process. For example, individuals thinking about planning a Disney vacation should visit [www.disneyparksmomspanel.com](http://www.disneyparksmomspanel.com), an online resource providing authentic answers to guests seeking advice from in-the-know panelists with years of vast experience.

The panel, which recently announced the addition of 11 new moms, dads and grandparents, includes your next-door neighbors, your good friends, and above all else, seasoned vacationers you can count on for genuine advice when planning your next getaway to a Disney destination. The panel can give you a personalized response in English, Spanish, French or Portuguese.

## ***Tip #2: Find an all-appealing destination***

You probably have a few ideas of where to go, but brainstorming destinations with your travel crew can provide helpful feedback and insight into everyone’s interests. Maybe your best friends are making brunch a priority for your girlfriends’ getaway. Or Grandma has a few “memory making” ideas for her vacation with the grandkids. Your fickle pre-teen even has a dream destination you might not know of, and your kindergartner is sure to throw a few ideas into the ring.

After you make a list of everyone’s thoughts, do some research online. Poke around travel websites, talk with other parents and search [www.disneyparksmomspanel.com](http://www.disneyparksmomspanel.com) for guidance. With a little digging, you can find experiences that appeal as much to your toddler as your teenager and even your best friend. The key is to make it a discussion, talk with others who are in the know and overall, enjoy helping you plan your escape. Whether you’re going for a dream Disney vacation, planning a beach getaway, indulging in one-of-a-kind foodie experiences, (or all three!), there are plenty of places that grant everyone’s wishes.

## ***Tip #3: Be proactive about special requirements***

Keep special needs top of mind when booking accommodations. For example, all U.S. hotels are required to offer wheelchair-accessible rooms, but international hotels follow different guidelines, so be sure to ask. Additionally, if you have a sensitive child who prefers a calmer environment, book a hotel room away from the pool or other entertainment spaces.

Another common concern for families is food allergies. To ease worries, plan ahead. Experienced jet-setters suggest asking restaurants for their ingredients charts and nutrition information or requesting to speak directly to the chef. You can even call airlines and hotels early to ask about allergy policies.

Bottom line: It’s easy to feel overwhelmed, especially when planning a family getaway. Each age has different considerations, but with some smart strategizing and advice from the right people, you can create memories to last a lifetime. These three tips will have you well on your way to experiencing an epic family vacation.







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## EXPLORING TRENDS IN SKIN CARE

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### A SIMPLER ROUTINE

People are busy and stretched for time. Who really wants to spend that much time on a beauty routine anyway? That's why we are moving more toward simplicity. This will take the form of multitasking products. New technology is advancing beauty routines toward multiple ingredients in one formula which will mean fewer bottles on the vanity counter.

### SKIN CARE THAT FIGHTS POLLUTION

This may sound a little out there, but it's for real. Many brands are working toward developing products that fight pollutants, bacteria from enclosed spaces, air conditioning, heating, even the blue light from computer screens.

### BEAUTY OILS

Beauty oils are moving into the spotlight. Whether it's an oil for makeup removal, moisturizing, hair care, facial cleansing, wrinkle or under-eye care, bathing, or showering; today there is an oil for every task.

### SUSTAINABLE, ETHICAL PRODUCTS

We are becoming more aware of where our skin care products come from and how they're made. As the shift in environmental awareness blooms, consumers also want to know that they are contributing to the longevity of the planet. Not just with the product itself, but also the packaging, manufacturing process, and the equipment used to get your product from its source onto your bathroom shelf.

### THE TRIED AND TRUE

New trends and technologies are exciting, but don't forget, when it comes to beautiful skin one of the best places to start is with a great diet and plenty of sleep.



## WHAT MAKES YOU FEEL BEAUTIFUL?

New fashion trends can be fun, but they can also cause self-esteem issues for those of us that are shaped different than the models in the magazines. There isn't a list long enough that can change negative thoughts into a positive body image, but there are ways to encourage yourself in the right direction. The more you practice positive thoughts, the better you'll feel about who you are.

### 6 STEPS TO A POSITIVE BODY IMAGE

#### **True beauty is a state of mind**

When you feel good about who you are, you carry yourself with a sense of confidence, self-acceptance, and openness that makes you beautiful from the inside out.

#### **Appreciate your awesomeness**

Every day your body can carry you closer to your dreams. Celebrate the amazing things your body does for you—breathing, learning, dancing, dreaming, and laughing.

#### **Surround yourself with positive role models**

It's easier to feel good about yourself when you're surrounded by those who are supportive, and recognize the importance of liking yourself just as you are.

#### **Ignore the voices in your head**

The ones that tell you your body is not "right" or that you aren't good enough. You can overpower those negative thoughts with positive ones. The next time you start to tear yourself down, think positive. Remind yourself how wonderful you really are.

#### **Work with your body, not against it**

Wear clothes that are well fitting, comfortable, and flatter your shape. Steer clear of the "wait until I'm thinner" trap. Buy the things you really love now and enjoy them!

#### **Pamper yourself often**

Enjoy a relaxing walk, take a bubble bath, or take time to read a good book. Make the time to do something special for yourself. It's more important than you think.

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## What's does your sign say about you?



**Aries ( 21 March – 19 April ) –** In this month, you keep dreaming and planning for the future. You may work on a creative level for a partner in order to contribute to his/her financial standing. You may meet new acquaintances who help you to further your goals, or you could join a new group or association that gives you considerable pleasure and satisfaction. An almost ethereal aura surrounds you—one of contentment, understanding, and peace. Your imagination is at an all-time high, and others find you decidedly romantic and attractive, although perhaps somewhat hard to reach. **Favorable Dates :May 4, 5, 13, 14, 22, 23 Favorable Colors : Red & Yellow**

**Gemini ( 21 May – 20 June ) –** During this month, you encounter circumstances that test your willpower and your sense of autonomy. Power struggles are very possible, and they are most likely to play out in the arena of close personal relationships. You are shifting your value system with regards to partnerships—away from superficial and towards a more intense, intimate and satisfying level. During second half, you will be getting serious about learning, studying hard, and changing your attitudes towards work. You will be working on refining skills that will be useful on the job, and some will be forced into that position. **Favorable Dates :May 2, 6, 11, 15, 20, 24 Favorable Colors : Green & Blue**



**Leo ( 23 July – 22 August ) -** Your long-term goals and wishes tend to be broad and perhaps unusual or ahead of the times, and you take great joy in dreaming up ideas for the future. Achieving your goals comes more easily in May. Others tend to value your advice and often turn to you for help. You may be slightly more selective when it comes to spending time with friends and associations, but when they do have your attention, it's as sincere and real as it comes. Opportunities to travel or further your education can come seemingly out of the blue and sometimes come from past connections. **Favorable Dates :May 3, 5, 12, 14, 21, 23 Favorable Colors : Grey & Blue**

**Taurus ( 20 April – 20 May ) –** This is a fabulous month for networking and establishing pleasant friendships and group associations. You continue to be especially ambitious, and there is a little less focus on family and personal matters, although changes are likely in the home, which can include moves, repairs, and changes in the structure of the family. You will continue to do so, a subtle yearning to belong with a friend or a group who shares your own ideals. This can lead you to attach yourself to unusual, more spiritual, or downright wacky friends...well, colorful ones at the very least. **Favorable Dates :May 2, 6, 11, 15, 20, 24 Favorable Colors : Green & Blue**



**Cancer ( 21 June – 22 July ) -** You could find that you are pressured when it comes to how you go about achieving your goals on a business level, as well as on a personal level. On a personal level, you may feel restricted by, and sensitive to, pressures from an intimate partner. Much focus this month will be on striking a balance between your career and public life and your home and private life. This is an excellent period for starting new regimens to better your health and well-being, such as regular exercise, more structured and productive use of your time, and so forth. **Favorable Dates : May 2, 10, 11, 19, 20, 28 Favorable Colors : White & Blue**



**Virgo ( 23 August – 22 September ) –** While you are unlikely to dream big, you may appreciate that your goals are realistic and attainable. Certainly, others around you can count on you. You may find it a ripe period for turning over a new leaf in an existing partnership (personal or business) or for finding a new partner. A flood of emotional intensity in this area of your life is something that can go either way, and whether you use it to get to a new level of understanding in relationships or to fly off the handle with a partner is up to you! **Favorable Dates :May 5, 9, 14, 18, 23, 27 Favorable Colors : White & Blue**

**Libra ( 23 September – 22 October )** - You can benefit greatly from any form of self-improvement techniques during this period. Inner strength and control is the name of the game, and this is an ideal time to develop these qualities. Business endeavors will go more smoothly for you if you recognize the value of the team at this time. You enjoy a healthy relationship with bosses and other authority figures in your life. You may expand your associations with others through new acquaintances or group activity and can derive much pleasure and satisfaction—even joy—through these connections. **Favorable Dates :May 5, 7, 14, 16, 23, 25 Favorable Colors : Red & Green**



**Sagittarius ( 22 November - 21 December )** - You are coming to rely on your intuition. This is a time when you can advance and expand your mind and pick up practical, usable, and marketable skills at the same time. This is a good month for attracting what you want and improving your relations with others. Love and relationship issues may also come up for inspection. You experience a subtle yearning to belong with a friend or a group who shares your own ideals. Friendships with people whose cultural background is very different than yours could be enlightening. **Favorable Dates :May 3, 10, 12, 19, 21, 28 Favorable Colors : Blue & Yellow**

**Aquarius ( 20 January – 18 February )** - This month brings the reaping of many benefits from the increased respect for what you do. Your business income improves, and you now focus on going after your fondest hopes and wishes, not only material and career goals. You will be learning about letting go of your attachment to the drama of romance and personal relationships. You are called upon to learn about the value of the team. New partners met this month are likely to feel much like a breath of fresh air. Challenging relationships, or challenges in relationships, tend to be left behind. **Favorable Dates :May 3, 4, 12, 13, 21, 22 Favorable Colors : Green & White**



**Scorpio ( 23 October – 21 November )** - A strong need for independence marks this period. Life seems to speed up, as if it's allowing you to take a few risks, make changes, and blaze new paths that you haven't considered before. Alterations in your lifestyle that can be quite significant, and new directions in terms of your goals happen significantly. Your magnetic powers, which enable you to attract positive energies, attention, and financial rewards, are strongest. Some of you will form a partnership that either leads to marriage and most will derive much joy from their relationships with significant others. **Favorable Dates :May 3, 5, 12, 14, 21, 23 Favorable Colors : Red & Yellow**



**Capricorn ( 22 December – 19 January )** - You are called upon to deal with the details and practicalities of everyday life, to become more organized, and to take charge of your routines. It's time to formulate some clear goals and plans. You find yourself more accountable than ever when it comes to your work and output. This is a time when you need to define, understand, and crystallize your significant relationships with others. If you already have a partner, this is a time when any issues surrounding compromise, flexibility, and the ability to give your heart to your partner will surface. **Favorable Dates :May 2, 8, 11, 17, 20, 26 Favorable Colors : Red & Yellow**

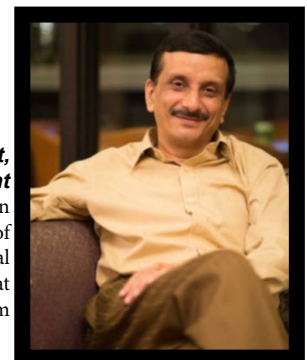
**Pisces ( 19 February – 20 March )** - It may be a time when you express yourself more imaginatively and creatively on the job, and publishing or promotional areas can be lucrative for you. Events are such that you move towards a more objective approach to your life and you cultivate true friendships. Income from your business or career is likely to increase. More tolerance of others is displayed now, and you are inclined to take interest in alternative subjects. Reaching out beyond your personal circle can certainly open doors to you and bring joy into your life during this cycle. **Favorable Dates :May 3, 5, 12, 14, 21, 23 Favorable Colors : Green & Blue**



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## *Adventurers and travelers: Add this to your bucket list*

(BPT) - Let your soul experience one of the most stunning and pristine places on earth, Western Australia's Kimberley. Its coastline is so unspoiled, dinosaur footprints still smatter the rocks. Its oceans are so untouched, whales nurse their young in its warm waters. Its indigenous culture is so ancient, no other can match it. The Kimberley is more than a remarkable region in Western Australia; it's one of the most fascinating and least explored places in the world. As world travelers seek unexplored destinations, The Kimberley has been added to their bucket list of dream vacations. This is a place that commands explorers to indulge in its many wonders.

### A last true wilderness

Both magical and rugged, Western Australia's Kimberley is one of the few last wilderness areas, like Alaska, Galapagos, Antarctica and the Amazon, where you feel the rawness of the earth and the wonder of nature with an ancient story. Immediately, there is a deep intangible presence in the Kimberley that is at once powerful yet calming. Night-blooming flowers from the giant Boab trees make the air fragrant while the night sky glitters with millions of stars.

The gateway to the Kimberley is the small pearling town of Broome, home to some of the largest and most prized pearls, where camel rides on Cable Beach is part of everyday life and where nine sets of dinosaur footprints cast as massive fossils. The influence of the pearling industry, with its melting pot of cultures and cuisines, has helped to create the distinctive character and charm of Broome, which offers select beach resorts, a unique calendar of events and exquisite dining options, including locally caught fresh seafood.

### Modern means of exploration

The best way to experience the Kimberley is through expedition cruising. A unique collection of companies operate boats that take passengers to the region's most pristine beaches and reefs, to towering waterfalls so close you can feel the





fresh mist on your face, through ancient gorges, and to 350-million-year-old rock formations. Through expedition cruising, you will likely place your footstep where no one before you has ever been.

In this remote setting, visitors can encounter the true icons in Western Australia's North West, including the natural phenomenon of the Horizontal Falls, the majestic 260-foot-tall King George Falls, and the Rowley Shoals featuring coral atolls home to 700 tropical fish species and considered among the best dive spots in the world, where not more than 500 people visit in a year.

Adventure need not be rugged

Just because you're exploring one of the last untouched wildernesses on the planet doesn't mean you can't indulge.

Both adventurous and luxurious, Kimberley cruises bring the savvy traveler to places few humans have seen while offering them the comforts of a delicious meal showcasing local flavors (or your own catch of the day), soft beds, and services that connect travelers with the people and the land.

Every cruise is different. Many have on-board naturalists and experts that guide excursions and open the wonders of the region to curious passengers. Some high-end cruises have a helicopter to take you to the top of the cliffs and give you an unrivaled view of this unforgettable world.

Before heading to the Kimberley, explore Western Australia's capital city Perth, home to many extraordinary experiences, including one of the world's largest inner city parks, stunning metro beaches, a lively food and wine scene, marine encounters, and the State's oldest wine region. Perth is the fastest-growing (and sunniest!) city in Australia.

To find the cruise that's right for you, check out the Kimberley Expedition Cruise Guide, an invaluable resource that showcases a number of companies offering world-class excursions throughout this stunning region, or visit [Down Under Answers](#), [Qantas Vacations](#) and [Southern World](#).

**Dania Denise**  
**A Models Diary**

# Red Flags ALL Models Should Know About

*Red flags are everywhere and they exist for a reason.*

The modeling industry is far from perfect and despite the strides in technology and social media that make it easier than ever these days to find out how to submit to agencies and pursue a modeling career, there are still pitfalls that unsuspecting newbies tend to find themselves falling into.

Even if I've done a post similar to this one, I think it warrants bringing up again (or at least think of this as an updated post of sorts) to continue educating and informing those of you that aren't sure whether to move forward with a particular opportunity, project or individual/company.

***Nudity Should Never Be Involved***

***Never. Ever. EVER!***

Are there very hyper-sexualized images of models in magazines and advertisements? You bet. Sex sells. It's not a secret. However, just because certain fields within the modeling industry rely on selling sex and sexy models, when it comes to newbies submitting to agencies, they don't want to see your goodies.

Many agency websites make it a point to mention that nude photos are not wanted or required. Even lingerie snapshots for female models is discouraged. Two-piece bikinis are the least amount of wardrobe you should ever wear when sending in digital snapshots for agency submission.

The same goes for the male models: shirtless is common for men wanting to get into fashion/runway/ editorial modeling but nude or sexually suggestive images are not. Boxer briefs or even Speedo type bottoms are the bare minimum (no pun intended).

This rule of thumb should also be kept in mind when sending images to potential clients for modeling assignments (for freelance models). This is mainly in regards to run-of-the-mill gigs where lingerie, underwear or other sexually suggested themes aren't part of the project.

If you're submitting freelance for a catalog job modeling commercial/ print type clothing or a product, the casting director/client shouldn't be asking you for snapshots in your bra and panties.

This is where common sense definitely comes into play. And, hello, it's the Internet, folks! You can't just be sending photos of yourself in various stages of undress to anyone because goodness knows where it's going to end up.

**Legitimate Email Addresses Are Company Email Addresses**

Do you realize that ANYONE can create a Gmail, Yahoo or Hotmail account? It goes without saying to err on the side of caution if you are contacted directly by someone claiming to work with a modeling agency and you notice their email account is from an address that doesn't end with the name of the agency.

The proper way to deal with this situation is to contact the agency directly by phone and provide them with the name and email address of the person who contacted you. Ask them if they can verify that this individual does, in fact, work for them or not. If they can't, block that person ASAP. Don't respond back, don't tell them you've contacted the agency. Just block their address and avoid all contact.

Although in the past I've mentioned not contacting agencies on the phone, this is one of those situations that is an exception to the rule. Any agency will want to know if someone is trying to commit fraud using their company name and chances are they'll be grateful that you reported it.

Even if the person does end up being verified by the agency, it is better to check first and make sure before jumping into a conversation with that person.

### ***No Legitimate Client Books Models They've Never Met***

You get an email out of the blue that so-and-so found your images/profile on [insert social media site here] and they think you'd be perfect for their upcoming modeling assignment. All they need is your mailing info, personal contact info, maybe even financial info to move forward and secure a location, shoot dates, etc., blah, blah, blah.

They even mention that the shoot is for a large and well-known client/brand/company/publication who you'd benefit greatly from working with. You're thinking to yourself, "OMG, I can't believe this is happening!"

Well, you shouldn't believe it. Because it's not real.

I like to think of this fake opportunity as the modeling version of getting an email from an African or Arabic prince who is dying and wants to give you his fortune.

I could devote paragraphs breaking down why no one should ever think this kind of offer is legit but I'm hoping you can tell by my sarcastic tone why any model--especially you noobs--should hit "block" and delete any correspondence even remotely similar to this.

No reputable and famous or well-known client/brand/company/publication will EVER contact you directly or have someone do it on their behalf based on some photos of you they came across online.

While you may be sad upon learning that it's a sham, just know it's not your fault and there really isn't anything you can do to prevent sick and depraved individuals from trying to take advantage of unsuspecting model hopefuls, except to block them and even notify/forward the email offer to the actual client/brand/company/publication so it is on record and they are aware of the situation.

### ***No Legitimate Client Sends Payment Upfront to Models, Either***

The fake opportunities described above usually come with an eye-popping ridiculous payment amount for hiring you as a model for their project. It can range from a few thousand dollars for a 1-day shoot to tens and even hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Sorry, but who in their right mind would send that much money to someone they literally never met? And we all know people

lie online, especially when it comes to their pictures, so why on earth would a legitimate company/brand/client/publication think that it's a smart move to send a big payday to a model they discovered online but otherwise know nothing about?

### ***Agency Interviews Don't Happen Outside the Office***

Aside from a formal model search or casting call held somewhere (and advertised as such), the typical agency interview 99.9% of the time will take place at the actual office of the agency. Not a Starbucks, not a rented out space in some random part of town, not a hotel and definitely not someone's private residence.

Again, if the individual that contacted you for the interview is legitimate and employed by the agency, they will have you come to the agency's office during regular business hours Monday through Friday. Not after the agency has closed for the day.

There are no after hours for interviews.

Think about it: if open calls for agencies always happen during that small window of time on certain days of the week between 9-5, why would they consider inviting models to an interview that happens after the office has been closed?

It just doesn't make sense and neither does such an opportunity. Pass on it. In fact, run away. Far, far away.

### ***The Bottom Line***

The sad news is that there are probably many more major red flags I could list that are out there but these are at least the most pressing ones that I still tend to see or hear about people falling prey to that I felt were the most glaring issues to highlight for the purposes of this post.

Should I come across any others I will either add them to this post or create a new and updated one so that it pops up as new content. Either way, you can believe I will always do my best to keep an eye on the growing red flags trend when it comes to modeling and hope that all those who read this take heed and always err on the side of caution.

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