

the great zucchini /4/ gambling and kids

you must be making quite a lot of money. what other hobbies do you have that keep you in the red?

I _____ quite a lot of money. I mean, I _____ \$300 for a 40-minute party. I probably _____ \$100,000 a year but it's all _____ before I pick it up. I'm just so _____ money. _____ I were making _____ I make, I'd _____ every morning.

there must be a reason for this other than being disorganized

_____, I gamble. _____ a gambler for years. it's not something _____. it's an _____ deal with. gambling actually helped end the best relationship _____. this girl _____ a pro footballer but then she felt I _____ her needs and she _____ me. I was _____ I still haven't quite _____.

so what's your routine at parties? do you make any special demands?

I can be quite demanding. _____ exactly the way I _____ I can't relax. _____ I was doing a party in

this living room and the parents wanted to keep a door open. I need _____ closed so I told them that something _____ it. we argued _____ and then I offered to give the money back and leave. when the kids heard I _____ they _____ the parents _____ close the door after all.

why kids, anyway?

I'm _____ kids. I feel comfortable around them. I _____ as innocent and naive as they are without _____ people I meet. I had a fine childhood myself _____ my parents got divorced when I was thirteen. my dad and I _____ at that time but we _____ before he died.

that's pretty much all the time we have for today. it's nice to end on such a happy note

and there's _____. there was this family living across the hall from us. they had a son, Laurence. the mother was a beautiful lady and the father was an ambassador. I _____ Laurence, he was such a nice little kid. one night his dad came home, shot his beautiful wife in the head, then shot the kid and then killed himself. that's the kind of thing that stays with you _____ you try to forget.