

Responding to texts immediately vs delayed

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I'm on my phone a lot. It really doesn't matter who it is but often times I can respond to texts pretty quickly. I know it's bad to respond to texts from girls promptly but I still feel compelled to do so. It feels frustrating to leave any text unanswered. I often leave my phone in the car when I'm at the gym or when I go grocery shopping. There seems like a fine line between texting back immediately and continuing to wait a while to text back. How do you guys deal if any with the compulsion to respond to text messages

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Rkingpin • 8 points • 27 June, 2019 09:56 PM

Dont reply any quicker than she is

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Less is more. Too much texting tells her that you are too invested. I usually call and set up dates.

failingtheturingtest • 7 points • 27 June, 2019 10:03 PM

Your issue is impulse control. You feel like doing something, and although you know it has a bad result you do it anyway.

Why are you on your phone a lot? Nothing more important to be doing? Get busy with life and this stupid thought process will go away.

TigerTamingSword • 6 points • 27 June, 2019 10:37 PM

What seems to be working for me is varying my response time; sometimes it's immediate, others it might take hours or a couple days. Don't fall into the trap of always waiting X hours to reply or the girl will catch up and either lose interest or play the same game. The golden ratio of 2/3 and never being the one to send the last text seem to be very good rules to live by, tho.

KeyboardTuba 1 points 28 June, 2019 05:53 AM **[recovered]**

Set standards for yourself too. In my mind my plates dont BS me with rules regarding texts, the women who judge me by my text frequency and not our interactions are not the ones I want. I'll even do the dreaded double text, bc I'd rather just risk being ghosted (determined by no response to double text) & have closure rather than opened ended games of chicken. If Proathlete McRichman is texting her all day, shes not deterred.

TigerTamingSword • 1 point • 29 June, 2019 01:58 AM

Agreed, but it depends on your goals. If you're satisfied with your sex life and rather weather dry spells to find worthy girls to plate, yours is the way to go, I think. However, if you're purely trying to have sex - nothing wrong with that, sometimes you just have to get it out of your system - then the logical approach would be maximizing your chances with as many girls as possible.

mickJagermeisterr • 5 points • 27 June, 2019 11:53 PM

Just be a busy man. You should not have the time to answer every text in 10 seconds. Don't play games, answer according to your availability.

cpotpie1 • 3 points • 28 June, 2019 12:02 AM

There's a theory in communications that says people can still build rapport in the virtual world as they can the physical, however it's not as effective and takes more time. Part of building that rapport is the rate you contact the other person back. Basically my point in this is that it's not bad to text back fast... but do it sparingly. I would suggest at the beginning it would be fine to text back quick, but if you always text back quick, her hamster isn't turning.

[deleted] • 1 point • 27 June, 2019 09:23 PM

Text for logistics only.

Texting back fast is seen as needy and will make her see you as less desirable.

Taking your time to reply shows you don't give a fuck, will give her anxiety and make her want you more.

nextther • 1 point • 27 June, 2019 10:32 PM

Don't worry about this. Just text for logistics. Save the talking for in person where you let body language do most of the work.

[deleted] • 1 point • 28 June, 2019 02:59 PM

Well, I think we both know this is about something deeper than just responding to texts. Ask that question and answer it for yourself.

bluepillcarl[S] • 1 point • 28 June, 2019 07:41 PM

What would that be

[deleted] • 0 points • 29 June, 2019 10:20 AM

Think about it and tell me. Don't disrespect your intellect so easily.

BusterVadge • 1 point • 27 June, 2019 11:41 PM

I'm on my phone a lot.

Get off of there and start living in the real world a little more.