

First things first: Is this someone who you want texting you?

Of course      Not interested

How far into the night did you receive the text?

**GO ABOUT YOUR DAY!**  
You absolutely cannot be bothered and you do NOT need this person distracting you.

8 p.m.    11 p.m.    1 a.m.    3 a.m. or later

Seriously? Is this text from a first grader? Tell 'em to call you when they get their bedtime extended. 😏

Don't answer. It's for the best you don't entertain the attention of an insomniac. Unless you're into staying up extremely late to text them 😴

Okay, this was prime time. You couldn't stay up a little longer? Sorry, nevermind. Here's the important decision: How long do you want to wait to respond? 🙄

This is how you know they're interested—it was 1 a.m. and they're texting you. This is where it could get tricky. Do you want to give in or play hard to get? 😏

Give in      Play hard to get

Morning      Night

You waited the longest amount of time possible—be careful to not make them lose interest. You better be prepared to possibly have to be the one sending the "you up?" text yourself.

Afternoon

You gave them time to start their morning and be more settled into their day. Make some plans. Tease 'em a little. Have some fun.

Ok, just remember that you're probably not catching them in the same mood they were in last night. One does not typically feel the same way they did at 3 a.m. at 8 a.m. when eating their Lucky Charms.

**Congrats! You made it this far, here are some suggestions you can respond with:**

- A. Sorry, I was asleep
- B. I had a lot of studying to do last night, what's up?
- C. I can't believe I got so into my *Ratatouille* analysis that I missed your text
- D. 🙄
- E. Just saw this. I was busy trying to dismantle the patriarchy