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## How to handle a vague text from him like “What’s happening this weekend?”

I advise women to not respond to any text that doesn’t have a question.

However, from a grammar point of view, this text is a question.

But as stated in my blog, the guy doesn’t mean it as a question. He means it more as a “hello” like when seeing a guy in public he knows/sort of knows and shouting, “Hey man! What’s up?” He just means ‘hello’ bro to bro.

But since he could have said hello to you, and didn’t, he’s not acting from his Boyfriend Brain, and therefore his text falls under the category of “chum bait” for his purpose of “ego stroke texting.”

Chum bait is junky fish scraps that ocean fisherman toss into the sea in hopes to attract nearby fish. If the fish swim to them, the fisherman can catch the fish if they want to.

Ego stroke texts from a guy that hasn’t had his Boyfriend Brain awakened sound like these classic chum baits which are lazy scraps with no connected meaning. They sound good—very good, but if there’s none of the guy showing up in person and he repeats these texts often, they are chum to get an ego stroke:

- Hey beautiful! Good morning.
- Thinking of you sweetie.
- Wondering what you’re wearing.
- Got a busy day but thought of you.
- Or any text from him very late at night or while on vacation—that he didn’t invite you on.

Let's get context here. If the guy sending those ego stroke texts isn't properly dating you (calling on a regular basis and setting up and planning actual dates with you) and that is pretty much his one text of the day, and you respond to his chum bait text, he gets an ego stroke. He feels a hit of happiness that you are thinking of him and that gives him the energy to do his work.

**And then he forgets about you for a few hours or day.**

In these cases, he's using your good nature to pump up his ego that he's got you dangling paying him attention. He knows the drill.

Looking at the list of his texts above, if you respond to each with something like what's listed below, he benefits, and you don't. Your text reply:

- Good morning to you!! Am I going to see you later??
- Oh I am definitely thinking of you. I think you're so hot!
- What would you like me to be wearing? I'm not wearing much of anything. Hehehe
- Oh it's so awesome to hear from you! It just makes my day. I think you're so special!

In fact, with you responding positively and upbeat, you would naturally expect him to keep the "conversation" going with another text. But when he doesn't, you feel the fool, embarrassed and get angry.

Here's the Law of Romance response to his What's Happening text...

**If it's been two weeks since you last had a date with him and he hasn't been working in Tibet or laid up in the hospital, don't respond. He's gotta come up with something better.**

If you've had a date with him in the last two weeks, respond with a smiley face. Period.



If you want to have Boyfriend Appeal, you can't (s)mother him in gushy texts. That's his job.

Don't leave a Boyfriend unemployed. Make him do his job.

Enjoy,

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**P.S.** I also know the pain of being in the dilemma of whether or not your guy is ever going to come through and act like you are good enough for him to date properly.

You might be wondering if my advice above is for a "normal" relationship where you just get a little ahead of yourself with excitement and can back it down.

But what if you have a gut feeling that the relationship has been going on too long and there should have been something more by now?

Maybe you vacillate between thinking he's not interested enough or—you need to change something yourself so that he thinks of you in his Boyfriend Brain.

And it occurs to you that you just really want to check it out with me as to what I think.

In other words, do I get that he's not interested or that there is something you can do to up your Boyfriend Appeal right now to get him to want to share you with the world?

In those cases, let me have you click here on this link to read more and see how this would be of benefit to you: [\*\*First-Time Coaching\*\*](#)