

Masterdater's the Art of Texting

expressing too much need, being busy and not getting back conveys the opposite of neediness.

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Edginess

This is a core of tool that I would like you to use when ever you meet some one new. You have been witness to this in most of my example texts and have gotten a peek at it with the challenge entry. Edginess is a step up from this; it is purposely being rough, a little mean but framed with playfulness. Is this mean or obnoxious? A stupid game?

Think about this, who is more interesting. A friend that pushes your worldview and outright disagrees with you or a friend that agrees with everything you say. Of course the friend that offers challenge is more interesting. This is why so many of us are attracted to the Bitch or the Dick, they offer us a challenge. We look at the tattoos, piercings and our subconscious says “If that person fell in love with me, I certainly would be worthy!” So we chase them down only to be rejected. This is not healthy

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for either side but... It is perfectly acceptable to play with the human need for approval. This is not about being mean but it's about testing our target for compatibility and strength. Don't do what I have done and misunderstand edginess for shittiness both work but shittiness will back fire on you eventually. Edginess is pushing someone within the boundaries of what they can handle. Shittiness is beyond those boundaries and does damage.

Mike: **Hey skinny!** Haven't heard from you in a little while.

Chrystal: Sorry I have been busy with all the guys I am seeing

Mike: I know what you mean, too many guys in my life too! =)

Chrystal: There's a surprise, you wear too much Abercrombie to be strait

Mike: Well that is why I like you! **You have the shape of a boy!**

Chrystal: You asshole

Mike: wink...

This is pretty edgy and by that I mean I am really pushing the edge of what is okay to say. Chrystal got some punches in too but I won in the end because she didn't have a good come back. After wink... I left her alone, I

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didn't say sorry and I didn't text her again. I won the interaction and she will have to come to me regain balance. This is fun, she might be a tad irritated but everyone loves a challenge. Now, why is this not shitty or mean? Because I have not teased her about something that truly is painful. Chrystal is thin but she is a swimsuit model and looks great. Crystal has a big nose which I think is cute but if I was playful about this she would not take it well. It would be effective but it might backfire on me and I would feel like a dick.

Purposely Misunderstanding

This is one of my favorite playful things to do. I think I learned this from being a kindergarten teacher. I would purposely misunderstand something to stimulate their little brains.

"What's this??" I yell, showing a picture to my 30 adorable 4-year old Japanese students. "It's a cat!!" they scream almost in unison, "What?? That's not a bat!!" They scream back shaking their heads "No!!! Cat!! Cat!!" I look more confused "a hat???" I say making the motions of putting a hat on, "No!! Mike sensei!! A cat!!!" they scream again, not sure how an adult can be this stupid.