

Husband using sex to show who's boss in marriage

DEAR ABBY: "Sleep-Deprived in the Midwest" complained that she and her husband quarreled because he would wake her at 3 or 4 in the morning demanding sex, even though she had to get up for work by 7 a.m. If she refused, he would give her the silent treatment. You advised marriage counseling.

Recently divorced a man who had the same habit. I think you missed something in her letter. She mentioned that her husband is unem-



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played.

My ex was also unemployed for most of our marriage. She's the breadwinner, as was I. I suspect there is a connection between the two. It may be a control issue. I believe my ex's demands for sex at odd hours had a lot to do with his feeling he needed to show me that he was in control in some area of our lives.

"Sleep-Deprived" needs to get that issue addressed before her marriage

is affected any further. — BEEN THERE, DONE THAT, AND GLAD I'M OUT IN N.Y.

DEAR B.T., D.T. AND GLAD: You may be right. However, not everyone viewed the problem as you did. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Instead of complaining, that woman should count her blessings. I have learned to accept my husband for the way he is, and not for what I think he should be. I, too, work a traditional schedule. We have an agreement that works for us. There are times when he will lie down with me until I fall asleep — then he gets up and reads or works on his hobbies until he is ready for bed. I urge that wife to find a healthy and comfortable

compromise. If she does, her marriage will be better for it. — LARK WITH AN OWL IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR LARK: I agree, the key is compromise.

DEAR ABBY: I'm glad you suggested counseling. I hope it works. My husband and I have been married 10 years. We were both married before to partners who didn't think sex was important.

When one of us is in the mood, the other one doesn't just oblige, but races to the bedroom and lets the romantic one "get us in the mood." Ironically, I am usually the one who wakes my husband at 3 a.m.

A suggestion I might offer to the wife: Why not seduce HIM earlier in

the evening, so that by 3 a.m. he's sound asleep and not waking you? — D.L. IN OREGON

DEAR D.L.: I like the way you think.

DEAR ABBY: Good God, Maude! She should plan on going to bed an hour early! Fix a gourmet snack to eat in bed. Pour two drinks. Drag him into the bedroom and show him the kind of time the two of them had on their honeymoon. After he drops dead from the shock, she can sleep undisturbed forever after. — BRUCE IN FLORIDA

DEAR BRUCE: Thank you for adding the male perspective.

DEAR ABBY: Many years ago, my spouse also woke me on a regular

basis. I adore him, but I need at least 6 1/2 hours of uninterrupted sleep a night. Since these occasions revved my metabolic rate, making sleep afterward impossible, I engaged him in recalling every detail related to President Nixon — his dog's name, Watergate, his personal habits, his lovely wife, Pat, their daughters and their weddings, etc.

My poor darling was so tired, he slept through the following night. Each time I was awakened, I made sure we talked about Nixon.

For some reason, he almost never wakes me now. It's worth a try. — A SISTER IN SEATTLE

DEAR SISTER: Water torture would be kinder.

TUESDAY EVENING										MAR. 11, 2003									
	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30									
2	PBS	Nova The inside-the-womb story of human life from conception to birth.			Sissel in Concert: All Good Things			News	Being Served	Charlie Rose (N) (N) (N)									
3	IND	★★★ "A Few Good Men" (1992, Drama) Tom Cruise, Demi Moore. A Navy lawyer defends two Marines in a comrade's death. (N)			News			(:05) ★★★ "The Quick and the Dead" (1995, Western) (PA) Sharon Stone, Gene Hackman. (N)											
4	ABC	8 Simple Rules According to Jim (N)	Life With Bonnie (N)	Less Than Perfect (N)	Family (N) (N) (N)			News	(:35) Night-line	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live									
5	HBO	(5:00) "Big" (PG)	(:45) ★★ "Evolution" (2001, Comedy) David Duchovny, Orlando Jones. (N) PG-13	★ "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" (1992)			★ "Queen of the Damned" (2002) R												
7	CBS	JAG "Need to Know" (N) (DVS)	Guardian "Assuming the Position" (N) (N)			Judging Amy "Roses and Truth" (N) (N)			News	(:35) Late Show (N) (N)	(:37) Late Show								
8	NBC	Let's Make a Deal (N) (N)	Frasier	A.U.S.A. (N)	Meet My Folks "The Barnes" (N) (N) (N)			News	(:35) Tonight Show (N)	(:37) Late Night (N)									
11	TVLND	Brady	HappyDay	Sanford	Gilligan	Griffith	Leave	I Love Lucy	Munsters	MacGyver									
12	ESPN	College Basketball			College Basketball: Sun Belt Final			Sportscenter (Live)	Gamenight	Basketball									
13	FOX	American Idol (TV) The 12 finalists perform. (Live) (N)			Fox Report With Shepard Smith			LAPD: Life on the Beat	LAPD: Life on the Beat	Paid Program	Paid Program								
15	MAX	(5:30) ★★★ "Shrek" (2001) PG	★★★ "Primal Fear" (1996, Suspense) Richard Gere, Laura Linney, John Mahoney. (N) PG-13			(15) ★★ "Rock Star" (2001) Mark Wahlberg. A singer lands a gig with his heavy-metal heroes. 'R'													
16	TNN	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Real TV	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.			★ "Bloodsport" (N)								
17	DISN	Boy Meets World	Smart Guy	Sister, Sister	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	Lizzie McGuire	★★★ "The Brave Little Toaster" (1987) Voices of Jon Lovitz. 'NR'			Teamo Supremo								
18	LIFE	Unsolved Mysteries			"One Hell of a Guy" (1998)			Golden	Golden	Nanny	Nanny								
20	USA	★ "The Waterboy" (1998) Adam Sandler.			Nashville Star			JAG "Ghosts" (N)			Nash								
21	SHOW	★ "What's the Worst That Could Happen?" (2001) Martin Lawrence.			(15) ★★ "Impostor" (2001) Gary Sinise. A man is accused of being an alien doppelganger. 'PG-13'			Salt Lake 2002: Stories of Olympic Glory											
22	TMC	"Life With Mikey"	"Shakedown" (2002, Action) Wolf Larson, Erika Eleniak. (N)			(05) ★★★ "Restaurant" (1998, Drama) Adrienne Brody, Elise Neal, David Moscow. (N)			★★★ "Save the Last Dance" (2001) (N)										
23	MTV	Taildaters	Diary	War-Answer?			Direct Effect			Prime Time Players	Real World	Real World							
24	DISC	Hippo Talk	Giants: Spiders and Bears			FBI Files "Hunter's Target" (N)			New Detectives: Forensic Science										
28	TNT	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order			Charmed			Law & Order	X-Files "Our Town" (N)								
30	FXSP	NASCAR	Nuggets	NBA Basketball Toronto Raptors at Denver Nuggets. (Live)			Rocky Mt.			Rocky Mt.	54321								
32	FAM	★★ "The Object of My Affection" (1998) (N)			Whose?			700 Club			Caroline Rhea Show (N)								
33	NBC	News	Ent. Tonight	Let's Make a Deal (N) (N)	Frasier	A.U.S.A. (N)	Meet My Folks "The Barnes" (N) (N) (N)	News	(:35) Tonight Show										
34	NICK	Sponge	Ginger	Cosby	Cosby	Cheers	Cheers	Coach	Coach	Cosby	Cosby								
36	A&E	Biography "Maureen O'Hara: Wild Irish Rose"			Cold Case Files Killing of a medical examiner's wife; deaths of two babies. (N)			Third Watch "Men" (N)			Biography "Maureen O'Hara: Wild Irish Rose"								
38	SCIFI	(5:30) ★★★ "12 Monkeys" (1995) Bruce Willis. (N)	Dune			Crossing Twilight Z.			Star Trek "Arena" (N)										
39	TLC	While You Were Out	Home Again	Home Again	Undercover Stings: Secrets & Spies			Caught in the Act High-tech surveillance. (N)			Mysteries of Noah's Flood								
40	FX	Married... Married...	Buffy Vampire			Cops			★★ "Mercury Rising" (1998) Bruce Willis, Alec Baldwin.										
45	FMC	"Adventure-Sherlock Holmes-Brother"			(01) ★★★ "Silver Streak" (1976) Gene Wilder.			(01) "This Is My Life"											
49	EITV	Sultan: THS	Anna	Anna	Saturday Night Live			Howard S.	Howard S.	Wild On...	"Philippines"								
51	TRAV	Extreme 4x4	Secrets "Tattoo Crazy!"			Secrets (N)			Extreme 4x4			Secrets "Tattoo Crazy!"							
53	WB	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	Gilmore Girls			Smallville "Red" (N) (N)			Will & Grace	Everybody-Raymond								
54	ESPN2	Wm. Basketball			College Basketball: Mid-Continent Final			ATP Tennis: Tennis Masters Series											
58	HIST	History Undercover "Battle for Berlin" (N)			History Alive Essex-class carriers rise again.			History Now Infamous Murders (N)			History Undercover "Battle for Berlin" (N)								
59	HLTH	Doctors Diaries	Workout	Bodies	Health Specials			Doctors Diaries			Workout	Bodies							
60	UNIV	Las Vias del Amor	Entre el Amor y el Odio	Ver Para Creer	P. Impacto			Noticiero			En las Mejores Familias								
62	HGTV	House	Interiors	Room	Decorating	House	Curb	House	Interiors	Room	Decorating								
69	WGN	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Chicago Bulls. (N)			News			Justice			In the Heat of the Night							

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WEDNESDAY EVENING										MAR. 12, 2003		
	6 pm	6:30	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30		
2	PBS	Celebrate! With the Celtic Tenors (N)			Carole King -- A New Colour in the Tapestry (N)		News	Waiting for God (N)	Charlie Rose (N) (N) (N)			
3	IND	Seinfeld (N)	Seinfeld (N)	Ripley's Believe It or Not! (N)		"Counterstrike" (2002) (PA) Rob Estes. Two brothers must thwart an attempt to hijack a cruise ship.		Worst-Case Scenario				
4	ABC	My Wife and Kids	George Lopez (N) (N)	All American Girl (iTV Series Premiere) Girls compete in hopes of winning fame and fortune. (N) (N)		News (N)	(:35) Night-line (N)	(:(06) Jimmy Kimmel Live Lorenzo Lamas. (N)				
5	HBO	(5:00) "Dr. Dolittle 2"	★ "Showtime" (2002, Comedy) Robert De Niro. (N) PG-13 (N)		(:(15) ★★ "The Cable Guy" (1996, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Matthew Broderick. (N) PG-13 (N)		Jim		Six Feet Under "You Never Know" (N)			
7	CBS	Star Search (iTV) (Live) (N)	60 Minutes II (N) (N) (N)		48 Hours Investigates (N)		News (N) (N)	(:(35) Late Show Diane Lane; Elvis Costello. (N)	(:(37) Late Show			
8	NBC	Ed (N) (N) (N)	West Wing "20 Hours in America" (N)		Law & Order "Hitman" (N)		News	(:(35) Tonight Show (N)	(:(37) Late Night (N)			
11	TVLND	Brady	Awards	TV Land Awards The first annual presentation of awards. (N)				ET in TV Land (N)	Sanford			
12	ESPN	College Basketball		Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Big East First Round			Sportscenter (Live)	Gamenight			
13	FOX	That '70s Show (N)	American Idol	Bernie Mac (N) (N)	Cedric the Entertainer	Fox Report With Shepard Smith (N)	LAPD: Life on the Beat	LAPD: Life on the Beat	Paid Program	Paid Program		
15	MAX	(5:30) ★★ "Courage Under Fire" (1996) Denzel Washington. 'R'		★★ "Behind Enemy Lines" (2001, Action) Owen Wilson. (N) PG-13 (N)		(:(15) ★★ "Judge Dredd" (1995, Science Fiction) Sylvester Stallone, Diane Lane. (N) 'R' (N)						
16	TNN	Real TV (N)	Real TV (N)	Real TV (N)	Real TV (N)	Blind Date	Blind Date	Star Trek: Next Gener.		★ "Soldier Boyz"		
17	DISN	Boy Meets World	Smart Guy	Sister, Sister	Even Stevens (N)	Sister, Sister	Lizzie McGuire	★★ "Genius" (1999, Comedy) Trevor Morgan, Emmy Rossum.		Teamo Supremo (N)		
18	LIFE	Unsolved Mysteries (N)		★★ "Bloodknot" (1995) Kate Vernon. Premiere.		Golden	Golden	Nanny (N)	Nanny (N)			
20	USA	★ "End of Days" (1999) Arnold Schwarzenegger. (N)		★ "The Minion" (1998) Dolph Lundgren. (N)		Nashville						
21	SHOW	"House of Mirth" (N)		(:(45) ★★ "Delirious" (1991) John Candy. A soap writer is swept into the world of his characters.		★★★ "Jerry Maguire" (1996) Tom Cruise. iTV. A crisis of conscience costs a sports agent his job. (N) 'R' (N)						
22	TMC	(5:15) ★★ "Thelma & Louise" (1991) Susan Sarandon. (N)		(:(45) ★★ "Captain Corelli's Mandolin" (2001) Nicolas Cage. An Italian officer strikes a chord with a Greek villager. (N)		★★ "The Fourth Angel" (2001, Suspense)						
23	MTV	Bourbon	Mardi Gras	Crashing	MardiGras	Direct Effect (N)	Prime Time Players (N)		Sorority Life (N)			
24	DISC	Animal Arsenal Seemingly harmless creatures.		Giants: Lizards and Snakes		Snowball Earth		Mysteries of the Pyramids		Unsolved History The Roman Colosseum. (N)		
28	TNT	★★★ "Heat" (1995, Drama) (PA) Al Pacino, Robert De Niro. (N) (DVS)					Law & Order (N)		X-Files (N)			
30	FXSP	Women's College Basketball			Women's College Basketball: Big 12 Quarterfinal			See This		Rocky Mt. 54321		
32	FAM	"When in Rome" (2002) Mary-Kate Olsen. (N) (N)			Whose?	Whose?	700 Club (N)		Caroline Rhea Show (N)			
33	NBC	News (N)	Ent. Tonight	Ed (N) (N) (N)	West Wing "20 Hours in America" (N)		Law & Order "Hitman" (N)		News (N)	(:(35) Tonight Show		
34	NICK	Sponge	Ginger	TV Land Awards (N)		Cheers (N)	Cheers (N)	Cosby		Cosby		
36	A&E	Biography: James Dean		American Justice "Vanished" (N) (N)		City Confidential (N)		Third Watch "Spring Forward Fall Back" (N)		Biography: James Dean		
38	SCIFI	★★★ "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (1989)				Harrison Ford. (N)	Crossing Twilight Z.		Star Trek (N) (N)			
39	TLC	While You Were Out Bedroom redesigned.		Home Again (N)	Home Again (N)	Medical Detectives	Medical Detectives	Super Structures "Kansai International Airport"		Junkyard Mega-Wars "Flight of the Century"		
40	FX	Married... (N)	Married... (N)	Buffy Vampire		Buffy Vampire		★ "Speed 2: Cruise Control" (1997, Suspense)				
45	FMC	(:(01) ★★ "House of Strangers" (1949, Drama)		(:(01) Hour of Stars		(:(01) ★★ "The Snake Pit" (1948, Drama)						
49	EITV	Lisa Marie: True Hollywood Story (N)			Anne Heche Revealed		Howard S. (N)	Howard S. (N)	Anna	Anna		
51	TRAV	Baby Animals		World's Best (N)		World's Best (N)		Baby Animals		World's Best (N)		
53	WB	Friends (N)	Everybody-Raymond	Dawson's Creek "Spiderwebs" (N) (N)		Angel "Release" (N) (N) (N)		News (N) (N)	Will & Grace (N)	Everybody-Raymond		
54	ESPN2	Basketball		College Basketball: Big Sky Final			ATP Tennis: Tennis Masters Series					
58	HIST	Incredible But True? "Ghost Ships" (N)		History Alive "P-51 Mustang" (N)		Modern Marvels Trash and treasure. (N)		History's Mysteries New York mob bosses. (N)		Incredible But True? "Ghost Ships" (N)		
59	HLTH	Doctors Diaries (N)		Workout		Bodies		Doctors Diaries (N)		Workout	Bodies	
60	UNIV	Las Vias del Amor		Entre el Amor y el Odio		Don Francisco Presenta		P. Impacto	Noticiero	En las Mejores Familias		
62	HGN	If Walls	Restore	Country		Kitchen	Treasure	Small Spc	If Walls	Restore	Country	Kitchen
99	WGN	★★★ "Book of Love" (1991) Chris Young. (N)				News (N) (N)		Rockford Files		In the Heat of the Night		