

Do you leave voicemail on others' phones? Are there particular people you feel comfortable sending voicemail?: Yes, but only for people who I don't talk to multiple times during a week. I love leaving voicemails and receiving voicemails from friends I haven't talked to for awhile--it's nice to hear the person's voice even if it's not a live conversation.

After calling an unanswered phone, what determines whether you leave a voicemail?: See above.

When compared to other forms of communication (letters, text, email, etc), does voicemail strike you as antiquated? Why/why not?: Noooooope. They are so personal. I save voicemails from people I love that I don't hear from often. Listening to the messages make me smile and brings on flashes of nostalgia. Also, you can sing Happy Birthday to people on their birthdays via voicemail, and I LOVE belting out a good HBD via voicemail. It's so much better than any of the more modern mediums (Facebook/instagram/snapchat) for doing so. There's something more intentional about it.

Do you have any particular association with receiving voicemail?: I feel like my friends from Kenyon, in particular, leave voicemails. I appreciate that about them. Also, my mom always leaves me voicemails even though I can see she called and we talk almost every day. One time I went through all my voicemails and the beginning of each one sounded like this "hi Em it's mom...hi Em it's mom...hi Em it's mom...hi Em it's DAD!" so yeah. My parents like voicemails.

Are there ever circumstances where you would prefer voicemail?: Sometimes, I'm not in the mood to talk on the phone, so I'm kind of relieved when it goes to voicemail and I can just tell the person I miss them and am thinking of them.

Have you ever received a meaningful voicemail? And if so, what made it meaningful?: For sure. I just received a voicemail from my Grammy yesterday. She told me she'd try to call me later, that she would love to hear my voice. I loved hearing her voice! It was pretty great.