

IPHONE HACKS

Tech Tips and tricks to make your life easier



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Future date text to send later

up to two weeks early

If you've ever thought, 'I'll send that message later' but then completely forgot, this tip is for you. Whether you're sending a reminder to a coworker, texting a family member, or following up with a friend, scheduling a text makes life easier and helps you stay on top of things.

Problem Statement:

You remember to send a message late at night, maybe wishing someone good luck for their morning meeting, but you don't want to wake them up by sending it right away, or you don't want to forget sending that birthday text in two weeks. Or perhaps you want to send a reminder text in the morning but know you'll probably forget. That's where the 'Send Text Later' feature in iOS 18 comes in. Scheduling a message to be sent at just the right time means you can handle it when it's on your mind, and let your phone do the rest.

Before we get started:

Make sure you're set up to get the most out of these tips. First, check that your iPhone is running the latest version of iOS. To do that, go to ****Settings > General > Software Update****

About the content creator:

My name is Rick, and I am an early adopter and Apple enthusiast, I have over 30 years of experience in transformational technology. My passion is simplifying tech for everyday users, making it easy to unlock the full potential of devices. Through **Simplify Tech 4 Me**, I want to share practical, easy-to-follow tips to help anyone—whether tech-savvy or not—make technology work for them.

Here's How:

- **Step 1: Open the Messages App**
 - Just like you would when you're going to send any text, open the Messages app.
- **Step 2: Select the Recipient**
 - Choose the contact or group you want to send the message to.
- **Step 3: Type Your Message**
 - Go ahead and type out your message. This could be anything from a reminder to a well-wishing note
- **Step 4: Select '+' and Choose 'Send Later'**
 - Here's the magic. To the left of where you're typing your message, you'll see the little '+' button. Tap that and look for the **Send Later** option. It'll have an icon next to it that looks like an analog watch face circled by dashes.
- **Step 5: Schedule Your Message**
 - Once you select 'Send Later,' you'll see the scheduled time highlighted in blue. Tap on that, and now you can set the exact date and time you want your message to be sent.
- **Step 6: Hit Send**
 - After scheduling, hit 'Send' like normal, and your message is officially queued to go out at the perfect time.

Step 7: Edit or Delete (If Needed)

- To change it, just select the message again, and you'll be able to edit or delete it before it goes out.