

## RESPONSE

On October 20 of last year, my friend Thomas Anderson was hosting a party at his apartment. I arrived early to help him set up. I didn't drink very much before the party started because I had work the next day and couldn't be hungover.

While at the party, Thomas introduced Jane Sanders to me around 11:30pm because he knew we both worked at the campus library. As Thomas was walking away, he reminded me that Jane had hooked-up with a lot of our friends, men and women. Jane and I were getting along great, she was leaning close to me, we were laughing and having an enjoyable conversation throughout the night. We were both drinking and decided to get another drink. We both had another beer. By this time, I was not even tipsy, and Jane was making jokes and fully participating in our engaging conversation.

Jane told me she was heading back to her dorm and I offered to walk her back. I wanted to be nice and continue our conversation. On the walk home, we were both being somewhat flirtatious so when we arrived at the entrance to her dorm I was not surprised when she left the door open behind her and we went up to her room.

In her room she kissed me, and we started making out. We moved on to the bed where she was on top of me while I was lying down. Jane was moving on top of me, clearly enjoying what was happening, and we were still kissing. She began taking her clothes off and then started taking my clothes off. We were touching and kissing each other and then we rolled over so that I was on top of her. I took off her underwear, then we started having sex. She asked me if I was using a condom. I said no, and she said she wasn't on birth control, so I got up to get a condom. I reached into the pocket of my pants that were on the floor and removed a condom. I put the condom on and when I got back to the bed, Jane was turned over, I figured she wanted to do something different, so we started to have anal sex. Jane was making sexy, moaning noises as we had anal sex. During sex she was pretty active and moved along with what I was doing. After a while, I came and got up to throw away the condom.

I didn't want to assume that I could stay in her room and I had work the next day, so I put my clothes on and said goodbye. I knew we had a good time, so I suggested we see each other again soon, Jane nodded her head from where she was lying on her bed and then I left.

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I was shocked to hear that she wrote in the complaint that she was crying. At no point did I see Jane cry. I would have immediately stopped any activity and checked that she was okay. The situation was a typical one-night stand and I am upset to hear it was unpleasant for her. She never protested in any way whatsoever, though I very much wish she had if that's how she felt. Had she once said "no," or "don't," or cried, or moved away, I would immediately have stopped and done whatever would have made her comfortable. I maintain, however, that everything that happened was desired and mutually consensual sex. Her removal of our clothes, her grinding and noises, her engagement in sex gave me the sense that it was mutually desired. She writes in her complaint that she continued in order to get it over with. I am of course very sorry this is the case, but I do not know how I could have known this was what she was thinking, since this was not communicated in any way.

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