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He has made me say all those things I never thought I’d say: oh god, oh oh

god. I remember the Sex and the City movie scene, the girls around the brunch table discussing frequency of sex. 2a: arranged according to some established rule, principle, or type.
Charlotte, the Rules Girl, still put out two or three times a week. Samantha will stop, drop, & roll any time, anywhere. We tried some X-marks-the-spot position once, \(2b: \text{both equilateral and equiangular}\) both on our sides, heads at opposing sides of the bed, our legs scissored in & out of each other. It was in a book I bought before we did it, *Big Big Love: A Sourcebook on Sex for People of Size and Those Who Love Them*, when I thought it might take creativity to overcome two bellies too big to smack against each other in any sexy way.

Miranda’s marriage was ruined because she wanted their first romp in six months to end quickly & Steve admitted cheating.

If that wasn’t bad enough, her friends chastised her for not trimming her pubes regularly or enough. \(3b: \text{recurring at fixed intervals}\) \(<\text{a regular income}>\) \(<\text{a regular churchgoer}>\)

I know what’s in his checkbook & his prayer book. I know when he wants it. He knows I won’t always
have shaved legs, pumiced heels.
   Carrie remained neutral
& wouldn’t disclose how often Big gets big

   for her, although she said it’s hot
when he does. She can be the every woman,
   her regular is every woman’s regular,
unspoken, but understood.
   4: normal, standard: I’d never seen
a written recipe for poke cake

   until recently on Pinterest.
It was passed from woman to woman,
tips included along the way.

A fat McDonald’s straw works best.
   Space the pokes at a regular interval
so the hot Jell-O bleeds

   into every corner of the cake.
*as: absolute, complete*
   Advice for special positions

also only whispered in the past,
   wedding night instructions under veils
of white netting & feigned innocence.

   There are two kinds of people
in the world: those who buy books
   before milestones & those who read

sex help online. But no one flips through
   a fat leather dictionary anymore
to find examples of use:

   Most days they follow a regular routine.
He is a regular contributor
   to her boosted self-esteem.
We make regular use of each other.
The wallpaper in the bedroom
has a regular pattern of stripes.

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