

# R.E.M., The Sidewinder Sleeps Tonite

This here is the place I will be staying.  
There isn't a number. You can call the pay phone.  
Let it ring a long, long, long, long time.  
If I don't pick up, hang up, call back, let it ring some more.  
If I don't pick up, pick up... The sidewinder sleeps, sleeps, sleeps in a coil

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There are scratches all around the coin slot  
Like a heartbeat, baby trying to wake up,  
But this machine can only swallow money.  
You can't lay a patch by computer design.  
It's just a lot of stupid, stupid signs.

Tell her,  
Tell her she can kiss my ass, then laugh and say that you were only kidding.  
That way she'll know that it's really, really, really, really me.

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Baby, instant soup doesn't really grab me.  
Today I need something more sub-sub-sub-substantial.  
A can of beans or blackeyed peas, some Nescafe and ice,  
A candy bar, a falling star, or a reading of Doctor Seuss;

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The cat in the hat came back, wrecked a lot of havoc on the way,  
Always had a smile and a reason to pretend.  
But their world has flat backgrounds and little need to sleep but to dream.  
The sidewinder sleeps on his back.

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We've got to moogie, moogie, move on this one.