Your Personalized Sleep Blueprint

Science-backed recommendations tailored to your unique sleep profile

🧠 The Restless Mind

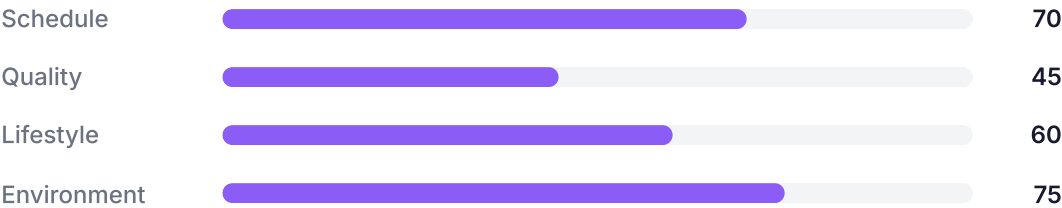📋 Prepared for: **Alex**   📅 February 17, 2026   🔑 SS-MLQDSE7K-0CP6AU

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📊 Your Sleep Health Score

Based on your sleep assessment and calculator results

80
OUT OF 100

> **You're close to optimal — small adjustments will make a real difference**

Schedule	▇▇▇▇▇▇▇	70
Quality	▇▇▇▇▇	45
Lifestyle	▇▇▇▇▇▇	60
Environment	▇▇▇▇▇▇▇	75

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Calm the storm, sleep the night.

Your mind is your greatest asset — and your biggest sleep disruptor. Racing thoughts, mental replays, and anticipatory anxiety are keeping you awake long after your body is ready for sleep.

> 🔬 **Root Cause:** Cognitive hyperarousal at bedtime prevents your brain from transitioning into the slow-wave patterns needed for sleep onset. Your prefrontal cortex stays "online" when it should be powering down.

💪 **Your Strength**

Your active mind means you're likely a strong thinker and problem-solver during the day. The goal isn't to shut your brain off — it's to redirect it.

🕐 Your Custom Sleep Schedule

Based on your target wake up time of 7:00 AM, aligned with 90-minute sleep cycles

| ⭐ OPTIMAL	✅ GOOD	⚠️ MINIMUM
9:30 PM	**11:00 PM**	**12:30 AM**
6 cycles · **9** hours	**5** cycles · **7.5** hours	**4** cycles · **6** hours
Use this for best results — aligns perfectly with your sleep cycles	*Good alternative when your schedule is tight*	*Occasional use only — not enough for full recovery*

Why These Times Work

Sleep occurs in ~90-minute cycles, each containing light sleep, deep sleep, and REM sleep. Waking **between** cycles (not during one) is what makes you feel refreshed vs. groggy.

Light	Deep	REM	→	Light	Deep	REM
5-10m	30m	30m		5-10m	30m	30m
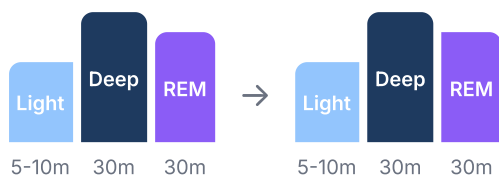
Each complete cycle ≈ 90 minutes · Deep sleep peaks in cycles 1-3 · REM peaks in later cycles

> 💡 **Pro Tip**
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> Set a "bedtime alarm" 30 minutes before your target sleep time. This reminder becomes your wind-down signal. After a week, your body will start getting naturally sleepy at this time.

If You Miss Your Target

Don't stress. Use the next cycle-aligned time (90 minutes later) rather than an arbitrary time. And **always** keep your wake time consistent — it's more important than bedtime.

⚡ Tonight's Quick Wins

Personalized for The Restless Mind — do these today for immediate improvement

Brain Dump Journal   ⏰ 60 minutes before bed

→   Write tomorrow's to-do list (gets tasks out of your head)

→   Note any unresolved worries with one next step for each

→   Write 3 things that went well today (shifts mental state)

> 🔬 **The Science:** Research from Baylor University shows writing a to-do list before bed reduces sleep onset by 9 minutes on average.

📈 **Expected Impact: Fall asleep 9-12 minutes faster**

4-7-8 Breathing Technique   ⏰ 10 minutes before bed

→   Inhale through nose for 4 seconds

→   Hold breath for 7 seconds

→   Exhale slowly through mouth for 8 seconds

→   Repeat 4 cycles

> 🔬 **The Science:** Activates the parasympathetic nervous system, reducing heart rate by 15-20% and shifting brain activity toward alpha waves.

📈 **Expected Impact: Reduces physiological arousal in under 2 minutes**

Cognitive Shuffle   ⏰ Once in bed

→   Pick a random letter (e.g., "B")

→   Think of words starting with that letter — one every 2-3 seconds

→   Visualize each word briefly (ball, barn, butterfly...)

→   When you run out, pick a new letter

> 🔬 **The Science:** Developed by cognitive scientist Luc Beaudoin. Mimics the random associations of sleep onset, tricking your brain into sleep mode.

📈 **Expected Impact: Interrupts rumination cycles within 5-10 minutes**

📅 Your 7-Day Sleep Reset Protocol

Each day builds on the last — follow in order for best results

D1 · **Anchor Wake Time**

Set one wake time for the whole week (even weekends). This resets your cortisol rhythm.

✏️ Success Metric: Consistent wake time

D2 · **Worry Window**

Designate 15 minutes at 6 PM as your "worry time." Write concerns then. Defer evening worries to tomorrow's window.

✏️ Success Metric: Reduced bedtime racing thoughts

D3 · **Digital Sunset**

Screens off 90 minutes before bed. Replace with fiction reading, gentle music, or audio content.

✏️ Success Metric: Less mental stimulation at bedtime

D4 · **Progressive Muscle Relaxation**

Tense-and-release muscle groups from feet to face. Hold each 5 seconds, release 10 seconds.

✏️ Success Metric: Physical tension awareness

D5 · **Temperature Drop**

Warm shower 90 minutes before bed. Body temp drop afterward triggers sleepiness.

✏️ Success Metric: Natural drowsiness by bedtime

D6 · **Sleep Restriction**

Only get in bed when truly sleepy. If awake >20 minutes, get up and read until drowsy.

✏️ Success Metric: Bed = sleep association

D7 · **Integration**

Choose the 3 practices that worked best. These become your permanent wind-down ritual.

✏️ Success Metric: Personal routine established

⚠️ **Important**

Don't try to be perfect. Doing 70% consistently beats doing 100% for two days then quitting. Each change compounds — even small improvements add up to a major transformation.

🛒 Recommended Sleep Tools

Selected specifically for The Restless Mind challenges

HIGH PRIORITY

Weighted Blanket (15-20 lbs)

Deep pressure stimulation reduces cortisol and increases serotonin — directly counteracts racing thoughts

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HIGH PRIORITY

Guided Sleep Meditation App (Calm/Headspace)

Structured audio gives your mind something to follow instead of spiraling

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MEDIUM PRIORITY

Luxgen™ Silk Pillowcase

Cooling silk reduces sensory input, creating a more soothing sleep surface

Shop Now →

MEDIUM PRIORITY

Journaling Notebook (Dedicated)

Physical writing is more effective than digital for cognitive offloading

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🚫 What to Avoid

Common mistakes for your sleep profile — steer clear of these

✕   Checking work email after 7 PM

✕   Problem-solving conversations within 2 hours of bed

✕   Stimulating podcasts/audiobooks (true crime, business)

✕   Watching the clock when you can't sleep

📋 Your Week 1 Sleep Tracker

Print this page and track your progress

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Bedtime	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__
Wake Time	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__	__:__
Sleep Latency	__ min	__ min	__ min	__ min	__ min	__ min	__ min
Awakenings	__×	__×	__×	__×	__×	__×	__×
Energy (1-5)	☆	☆	☆	☆	☆	☆	☆

Protocol ✓ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

😴 **Sleep Smarter**

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