

TWEET FROM SOMEONE ELSE THAT *STARTS WITH @YOU*

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You (in your timeline), if you follow the poster. You, even if you don't follow the person - will appear in "mentions" tab on Twitter or @ screen on most apps. Anyone who follows both the poster and you (in their timelines)

* note: if the person who sent the tweet has a protected account, their tweets will only be visible to their followers. If you are not following the (protected) sender, you won't see their tweets, even if they mention @YourName

TWEET FROM SOMEONE ELSE THAT *INCLUDES @YOU*

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TWEET FROM @YOU THAT *STARTS WITH @SOMEONE* (REPLY)

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You (in your timeline), whether or not you follow that person. The person you direct the tweet to (@Someone - in their @ replies tab). Anyone who follow both you and the person you're replying to (in their timeline)

* note: if you've got a protect (private) account, only people who follow you can see your tweets. If the person you're mentioning doesn't follow you, they won't see it.

TWEET FROM YOU THAT *INCLUDES @SOMEONE*

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You (in your timeline) whether or not you follow that person. The person mentioned in the tweet. Any of your followers including those who don't follow @Someone, (in their timelines) UNLESS the tweet was created by pressing the "reply" button, in which case only any one who follow both of you

* note: if the person who sent the tweet has a protected account, their tweets will only be visible to their followers. If you are not following the protected sender, you won't see their tweets, even if they mentioned @You

DIRECT MESSAGE *FROM @SOMEONE TO @YOU*

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You, in your direct messages (tab or button in News Twitter or app) - you may also choose to receive these via email or text. The person who sent it do (in their sent Direct Messages)

* note: someone can only send you a DM if you are following them -- Be aware that DMs are vulnerable and should be treated as a potentially insucure channel

DIRECT MESSAGE *FROM @YOU TO @SOMEONE*

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You, in your sent direct messages (tab or button in New Twitter or app). The Person who sent you it do (in their direct messages tab) - They may also choose to receive these via email or text

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