

What would you do?

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Suppose one day you were contacted by a highly advanced Alien Civilization. They are friendly to you, and tell you that they have the capacity to advance humanity several thousand years.

They are a benevolent culture who have bloodlessly conquered the Universe due to being so far advanced that no other race can feasibly fight them. Due to their extreme advancement they no longer require resources and thus simply travel the stars in peace exploring.

They ask you the following; "Does your species deserve to survive? "

What is your reply and why?

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I'd probably be cheeky smartass and say something along the lines "Since we are able to communicate, we, like you, are the creation of higher power and thus we both live in the same dimension. So since you are not the creator of existence, who are you to ask, or decide who deserve to survive, or not?" I don't know lol, I'm drunk. What would you say?

stupididoit • 1 point • 28 February, 2018 11:01 PM

It honestly depends on the day, some days I'd say yes, others I'd say no. The truth of the matter is that for every other animal on this planet (save pets), the world would be a better place without humans.

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Yes. Who cares specifically? Sucker them in, learn their technology and slaughter them. The galaxy is ours!

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highly advanced
travel the stars in peace

I doubt those two would occur together. Competition for technology has always been connected to warfare. At least on earth.

deserve to survive

I would take that as a threat. I would say nothing, go home and cook the biggest steak and spud I could find, then wait for the inevitable.

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Once you get good enough weapons it turns into a zero sum game of mutual destruction, so I don't think it's necessarily true that peace would be impossible.

The fact that they are asking you the question and haven't already destroyed us is proof that they don't have bad intentions. Otherwise they wouldn't be speaking to you and would have just destroyed us all already.

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We have MAD now. Hasn't stopped others from developing their own nukes. Could these aliens find a way to control choices in others?

[deleted] • 1 point • 1 March, 2018 02:43 AM

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I don't really believe it.

Asian_Prodegy • 1 point • 1 March, 2018 09:14 AM

I feel that they should judge our species and determine our survival themselves. Who am I to decide the fate of my species to an unfathomably superior race?