

I am a woman who got tired of Tumblr's bull, and made this little post in favor of men, which now has over 100,000 notes

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chapter2009 • 18 points • 3 August, 2014 01:29 PM

Yeah, fuck you, Melissa.

AllHisDarkMaterials • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:50 PM

Dude, you don't even want to know what she does with cucumbers.

mylifeisaLIEEE • 120 points • 3 August, 2014 02:36 AM

You're better than that, man. Don't waste another thought on her.

StarHarvest • 102 points • 3 August, 2014 03:32 AM

Fuckin' Kelsey man.

qms2 • 70 points • 3 August, 2014 03:40 AM

Yeah, I guess a lot are...

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LifeBiggestTroll • 28 points • 3 August, 2014 04:09 AM

Thank your lucky stars it was only 8 months. Some people are trapped in abusive relationships and have been for years now. They settle, and figure that's just how it is. You got out man, now the world is your oyster!

Ledhammer • 10 points • 3 August, 2014 06:29 AM

At least it wasn't 4 years. That's how long I wasted on an abusive relationship. It wasn't anything physical. It was all emotional. I thought it was normal. I didn't realize how bad it was until I was out.

gutteralias • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 12:16 AM

7 years here. Could have gone indefinitely if she hadn't got pregnant by some other twat. Only been a few days since I found out, still kinda conditioned to blame myself. If it was one of my mates I'd have thought "what the fuck are you doing?" But it becomes normal. Gave up everything for her. Fucking blows. Now I'm a mixture of dying inside about never talking to my 'best mate' ever again and extremely fucking

excited to getting back to the way I was before the relationship. A lot of people will never get out of it. I'm stoked I'm getting a wee bit of my 20s and all my 30s without being made to feel like the scum of the earth by a jerk with a narcissistic personality disorder. It seems so rife that I don't really blame her though.

nogoodliar • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 07:18 AM

My god... I had an extremely similar scenario and it is terrifying to think that chicks do this often enough that I hear about similar things on reddit.

Juxtys • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:53 PM

2.5 years for me. She played every abusive trick in the book and I took it like an idiot.

josh_legs • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:51 PM

Well, not exacty a waste. You got a little wiser through it all, so there's that, at least.

AndTheSonsofDisaster • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:33 PM

What a bitch.

Kreeyater • 21 points • 3 August, 2014 03:26 AM

The moment a chick lays her fist on me is the moment that bitch is seeing an open front door of my place for the last time.

assemblethenation • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:24 PM

I'm lucky to not have encountered this kind of harpy in my youth. My automatic reaction would have been a back-handed smack. I'd react like you nowadays, but I'm also 15 years more mellowed and have been reading up on how that kind of reaction will get you busted in this country.

BeardofBurkenham • 25 points • 3 August, 2014 07:27 AM

I know I'm like 9 hours late to this thread, but I had a gf named Kelsey who was abusive, manipulative, and cheated on me. She's who I thought of when I read this post.

Anytime I would do something she didn't like she would "jokingly" smack me and then when we would argue over something like when I wanted to go to a friend's birthday party she'd knock the shit out of me and cry afterwards when I would get upset over it.

Fuck Kelsey. That dumb small town frozen peanut butter eating cheating shallow stockholm syndrome inducing lucifer's cradle.

I'm over her, but it's hard to forget the experience.

Catacronik • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 10:12 AM

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Huh... sounds like a situation I know...

Uncanny.

gthockeydude • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 05:25 PM

I had a girlfriends who did the same thing. I only realized it wasn't normal when I I did something stupid and my current girlfriend yelled at me. I got ready to get hit. She asked me what I was doing and I told her I was getting ready for her to hit me. She stopped yelling and started to comfort me. Told me she would never hit me and it's not OK for anyone to hit anyone. I think she might actually be the one

RawGlas • 1 point • 7 September, 2014 03:41 PM

This is one of the most heartwarming comments I've ever read on here. Love her long time.

Methodius_ • 14 points • 3 August, 2014 02:36 AM

I've had this happen to me numerous times in my life. And it's completely ridiculous. And of course, if I ever look at them and go "Hey, you do know it's not right to hit people, right?" they just look at me like I'm stupid. =/

[deleted] • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 05:56 AM

oh man my ex would do this hardcore. She would hit me, throw shit at me, she's broken my phone, etc etc and if I so much as pushed her aside to move her from the doorway "I'M CALLING THE COPS YOU WORTHLESS FUCK"

forceez • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 09:49 AM

Man, y'all really know how to choose'em

assemblethenation • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:27 PM

It's not hard when most girls/women are brought up with the expectation that boys/men won't fight back when they hit them.

I wasn't brought up with the mentality of not hitting back because she's a woman and have no qualms defending myself appropriately.

I've been lucky enough to not have encountered many girls/women willing to hit another.

forceez • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 12:19 AM

It's not hard when most girls/women are brought up with the expectation that boys/men won't fight back when they hit them.

I am not okay with that sentence simply because any decent person with a straight set of morals wouldn't hit anyone (and especially their partner) over a disagreement. I... I don't know. I just can't wrap my head around that one. "I'll do whatever I want! He won't retaliate!"

assemblethenation • 1 point • 5 August, 2014 11:31 PM

You've been raised with reasonable expectations. There are many women and men raised with the "boys don't ever hit girls" mantra. It's reinforced by the natural tendency for larger/stronger individuals to go easy on smaller/weaker opponents.

The don't hit a girl mantra is very strong in some communities and less so in others. The idea that one should not hit another is applied in varying degrees as well.

For some, it's ok to teach boys to hit each other or teach their girls to hit other girls or boys. This can extend into adulthood if not quelled by people defending themselves

properly against the adult with ill manners.

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assemblethenation • 1 point • 5 August, 2014 11:42 PM

I've been lucky enough not to have to defend myself against white knight police either. If a woman wants to cause me that kind of trouble, she doesn't need to hit me and have me self-defend. She can just accuse me of hitting her and the consequences would be just as real.

It's a problem and risk that we as men have to deal with. It sucks but I don't have a solution other than talking about it and convincing enough minds that it's not right to disallow self-defense simply because a woman attacks a man.

I've encountered a woman who thought it was fine to slap men whom she had just met that stated something she didn't like. I was fortunate to evade the slap and that she didn't persist after I asked her not to do that again.

I wouldn't have any qualms defending myself from a woman that demonstrated intent and capability to harm myself or loved ones. If I could neutralize the threat without causing her damage, I would, as I would for a man in the same situation.

[deleted] • 21 points • 3 August, 2014 02:35 AM

Let it out man!

kizzan • 16 points • 3 August, 2014 04:07 AM

Fuck you Kelsey. I hope you get what you deserve.

[deleted] • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 02:09 PM

Punishment and therapy.

lokland • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 10:24 AM

Self awareness.

druknirish • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 03:10 AM

Yea man fuck Kelsey.

wiseprogressivethink • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 06:41 AM

TBH, I may have fucked Kelsey...

TheTruth117 • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 05:52 AM

Fuck Kelsey bro.

Ohh_Yeah • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 02:37 AM

Get 'em Phreddy

ilikewc3 • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 05:15 AM

I hit back every time. Not like hard or anything, but I make it pretty clear I don't do hitting or slapping.

WillWorkForLTC • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 09:08 AM

I'm sorry you had to go through all of that. I wish you a much brighter future.

rapgamebonjovi • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:25 AM

Certified BITCH. Good on you, man.

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shankyu1985 • 59 points • 3 August, 2014 04:59 AM

This actually happened to me. I was in an abusive relationship with a female. She would hit and scratch me whenever the mood struck her. The cops were called on several occasions and she never even got taken in. I was never the cop caller it was always her or neighbors. The final incident was when I was actually leaving her ass. I walked out the door pissed and when I got it together enough to go back for a few things she slammed the door in my face. Big glass window on the door and I put my hand up to stop the door from literally hitting my face. The glass shattered. When the cops showed up apparently she had a few scrapes from the glass flying back towards her. I was already gone with my stuff by this point. They took me in the next day. I sat in jail over night and when my day in court came the public defender they appointed me told me to plead to disturbing the peace. Some deal. I shouldn't have been charged at all. I stupidly took it though and although it's only a misdemeanor it still haunts me til this day. Kept me from at least one job and gave me a whole bunch of hurdles to getting my security license and the job I have now.

neoj8888 • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 08:16 AM

And those are just the reported statistics. I've been hit at least ten times by females and never hit one myself. I've never reported it, though.

Todd_Solondz • 16 points • 3 August, 2014 03:27 AM

Whoa. Where does that 40-50% statistic come from?

[deleted] • 24 points • 3 August, 2014 04:20 AM

This is for the UK <http://www.theguardian.com/society/2010/sep/05/men-victims-domestic-violence>

theskepticalidealist • 12 points • 3 August, 2014 09:44 AM

A study found in 70% of DV cases it was women being the sole perpetrator of violence. When you factored in mutual violence it was more equal. This includes more mild violence and women are still more likely to be injured, one of the predictors of violence against a woman is her history of initiation of violence

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theskepticalidealist • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 05:41 PM*

I just show them this study.

*"In **nonreciprocally** violent relationships, women were the perpetrators in **more than 70%** of*

the cases"

wiler5002 • 17 points • 3 August, 2014 03:39 AM

I'm going to bet from ~50% of the population being women.

rbrockway • 20 points • 3 August, 2014 03:02 AM

And it ends NOW.

Too much hate against men. Too many women acting without accountability. Too many women thinking they can be selective with equality.

True equality comes with responsibilities as well as rights.

There are many women out there who do understand this of course. We see them in the MRM, we see them in *women against feminism* and elsewhere. The messages posted by many of those women are right on the mark. Even though most of them probably don't consider themselves part of the MRM they talk about many of the same concerns we do. An increasing number of people see the problem.

freyzha • 18 points • 3 August, 2014 03:24 AM

i think you meant well but it just comes off as incredibly cringey

work on your word choice and phrasing a bit

rbrockway • 11 points • 3 August, 2014 02:51 AM

I feel strongly that anyone, man or woman, should just leave an abuser. Perhaps if they find themselves alone and lonely they may endeavour to change their behaviour.

anonlmouse • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 04:12 PM

I feel strongly that anyone, man or woman, should *just* leave an abuser.

Easier said than done. That's why a support network is necessary.

kragshot • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 06:53 PM

More importantly; it is why one of the first things a knowledgeable abuser will do is to cut their victim off from their existing support system. They will do their best to alienate them from friends, family, and anyone else who might be able to see the signs of abuse.

Ask yourself how many guys that you know of whose GF/Spouses/etc... have actively cut them off from associating with friends or family. Once you have that answer, then ask yourself what kind of condition are they in now.

rbrockway • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 10:11 AM

This is certainly true. Never-the-less I do take a hard line on this. Staying with an abuser is very unhealthy, for the abused person and people around them.

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 03:37 AM

Absolutely, I completely agree.

[deleted] • 12 points • 3 August, 2014 04:56 AM

Reminds me how my sister used to hit me when we argued. It didn't hurt, but for a while I started to flinch

whenever someone raised their hand, even if it was for something like a high five. It took multiple reminders from me for my parents to finally talk to her about it, which was hurtful to me because it made me feel like they didn't care that she did it.

ncook06 • 31 points • 3 August, 2014 12:44 AM

Thank you for being reasonable. I dealt with a physically abusive girlfriend for two years. Sometimes there were bruises, but nothing terrible. I just wasn't aware of the emotional toll. Eventually I realized that I never felt comfortable or happy around her, and then I broke it off.

[deleted] • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 01:59 AM

Same here.

misogynist001 • 25 points • 3 August, 2014 12:46 AM

I feel like this is a boundaries issue. I have a very strict no hitting, even playfully, policy in relationships. I really don't like it but some guys don't mind.

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mealbudget • 50 points • 3 August, 2014 01:39 AM

Some *People* think hitting and rape is okay, I think you mean.

That's shit though, sorry that happened to you.

Caraggbaj • 11 points • 3 August, 2014 08:41 AM

I think she was implying that some women think it's okay to force themselves on and/or rape women by the simple fact that they are women themselves, which obviously is not okay as sexual abuse is not limited by gender. I can see how the wording does sound like a generalisation though, but I'm assuming this is what she meant.

the_cheese_was_good • 21 points • 3 August, 2014 02:51 AM

To bring what you said - and I love this discourse BTW, OP - to a male's perspective of getting raped by a woman:

I had just gotten out of a pretty devastating long-term relationship when I met a quite unsavory young lady. I wanted to take things slow - for obvious reasons.

I was still a bit heartbroken and looking for validation I suppose. We start goin' at it and are having a great time... I am quite obviously showing that I am aroused - the dick was hard. All I wanted was some titty-play, maybe a handjob and then reciprocate by giving a nice clit rub/fingering.

What happened next was so unexpected and most guys would say they would invite it. She straddles me and starts trying to shove my cock inside of her - no condom, no asking if I was cool with it. I was so freaked out that I didn't even know how to react. She got it in and started going to town as I literally laid there in disbelief. I finally came to and threw her off. She made it quite clear that I was a "faggot" and that "everyone likes to fuck attractive people." It was one of the weirdest experiences in my life...

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the_cheese_was_good • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 04:15 AM

I was conditioned as a young man that "rape" only happened to women. And I abhorred it. But I never realized women could be the aggressor, the one to make me feel like a piece of shit.

I will say that male on woman rape is definitely much more violent, but people need to know about these kinda scenarios as well.

the_cheese_was_good • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 04:19 AM

You can always talk to me as well, OP. I meant to put that in my message. Seriously though. Just PM me and we can talk!

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the_cheese_was_good • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 04:32 AM

I now have you tagged as "The Friendly Lesbo" hahaahha!!! Today is an amazing day on Reddit, I have been here for years, yet today I made cool friends! Great talk with a fellow writer from the UK and now a sound individual as well!

neoj8888 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 08:23 AM

They get away with it on children, too. A study was done recently and it was found that some children were being hit on average of 18 times per week, in normal middle class families, and the hitting being primarily done by the mother. That's 900+ times a year. It was found that in most occurrences, the hitting would occur within 30 seconds of a disagreement occurring and would result in as many as seven consecutive strikes.

I don't have the data in front of me, nor a lot of time, but there is a podcast that discusses the results in detail.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3iw0py_PL8&list=UUC3L8QaxqEGUiBC252GHy3w

spitfire7rp • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 12:49 PM

I had a similar experience at a rave with some drugged up bitch i was dancing with so you arent alone. I was drugged up too at the time and just went with it but later had some regrets. The only thing i was really pissed about was the no condom.

[deleted] • 10 points • 3 August, 2014 01:50 AM

serious question, do they think a woman raping a woman is okay, or that all rape is okay?

Greekus • 12 points • 3 August, 2014 02:18 AM

That can't be a serious question, unless you meant not ok.

[deleted] • 17 points • 3 August, 2014 02:24 AM

It's entirely possible that they view woman-on-woman rape as being "different" to other forms of rape. Kind of like how some people believe that it's "different" when you have non-consensual sex with your spouse.

Greekus • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 02:53 AM

Ah I see what your saying but the difference would also be similar to a female raping a

male sense it's most likely some kind of mental manipulation instead of forced sex

theskepticalidealist • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 09:49 AM

I don't see what's wrong with playful hitting. We shouldn't need to walk on egg shells. Maybe if any hitting brings back memories of abuse I could see it being a bad thing.

punisherx2012 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 02:32 AM

I'm one of those guys that's okay with playful hitting. I'm not talking about a punch to the eye, but a light punch to the arm is okay. Then again, I'm one of those people that loves physical contact so I guess that just goes along with that.

Amunium • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:21 PM

I like being punched in the chest. I don't know why, but a good fist to the ribs with decent (not bone breaking) power is just pleasant to me. My ex refused to do it, though.

But of course it's all about knowing the other person's limits and preferences.

[deleted] • 3 points • 16 October, 2014 08:55 PM

I know its an old post, but I feel like replying anyways to thank you for this post.

Near the beginning of the year I as dating someone that always first resorting to back-handed swings at me. You know, throwing your arm across at someone to the side of you, where you kind of hit them with the back of your arm in the gut or across the chest.

I never really thought too much of it as "oh shes just a girl, and it doesn't hurt that bad". Until one night I was dead asleep and just woke up in a massive amount of pain. Apparently "I was sort of snoring and she couldn't sleep because she was anxious about a test, so my snoring was problematic". What had happened was she reacted as usual, on me as I was sleeping, for simply... doing what the body does when you sleep on your back. The result was the bruise of an elbow on my left ribs and bruise of her wrist and fist across my right ribs.

I went back to sleep, extremely angry, and promptly broke up with her after I finished sleeping, the next morning.

I think the craziest thing about it was... until maybe 3 or so weeks ago I never even considered it abuse because I'm a man and shes a woman. I just considered it her being someone who reacts like a child. It never really crossed my mind that she was no better than a guy who treats a woman the exact same way. Until I read a few posts like this.

FurbyPope • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:54 AM

The world needs more women like you.

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 07:54 AM

Was dating a girl who thought it was ok to spray me with air freshener if I ever farted around her, not just around the room, but literally on me. I was lying on the bed and farted, and she started spraying me, getting it on my hands, legs, clothes, and I kicked the bottle out of her hand. She got a startled look and threw the bottle at me. Sorry cuntbag but spraying someone with chemicals for daring to fart in your presence is abuse,

I'm gonna defend myself.

theskepticalidealist • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 09:50 AM

I fart in your general direction!

collinb98 • 2 points • 26 December, 2014 12:10 AM

I don't know what to say other than thank you for this

Needlecrash • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:40 AM

Thank you very much for writing this. :)

balthus1880 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:02 PM

Thanks for writing it. Lots of men do get hit and it fucking sucks. Your note was to the point and succinct thanks.

AndTheSonsofDisaster • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:29 PM

Preach it, sista!

Shadrixian • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 05:02 PM

It's because men are supposed to be these big tough guys who don't get hurt by hardly anything, and that logic is always taken advantage of, regardless of how true it is or not. Speaking as a very emotional male, it bothers me when I am told to man up, but it also bothers me when girls do that to their boyfriends. They don't out of respect, so why treat them the way you don't want them to treat you?

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 01:58 AM

No, thank you.

Slipping_Tire • -11 points • 3 August, 2014 12:11 AM

Do you feel as strongly about people hitting children and minimizing it into "spanking"?

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mrmrevin • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 12:38 AM

Yea same. My dad used to chase me with a wooden spoon.

Then again I was a little shit when I was young

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mrmrevin • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 12:58 AM

You have seriously made my day, thank you

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:00 AM

Why thank you!

jkrys • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:34 AM

You deserve all the upvotes

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:47 AM

hah, thank you! I don't even know what came into my head that made me think to post this today! It's been a crazy week.

Irrelevant_muffins • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 12:47 AM

My mom would buy us paddle balls and wait for them to break.

mrmrevin • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:58 AM

What's a paddle ball?

TokenMcGetStoned • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 01:49 AM

A thin wooden paddle with a rubber ball connected to a rubber band stapled to it.

mrmrevin • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:46 AM

.....WOW

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:43 AM

I'm still spanked brutally and I'm a teenager...

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:43 AM

I'm so very sorry for that :(It stopped with me when I got a little older as a kid because my parents are old enough to be my grand parents. As soon as I was old enough to run, they were old enough to not be able to get out of their chairs.

Do you have anyone who could help you?

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:34 AM

Nope. I live in a very conservative country where this is widespread. You're lucky- I'm in my teens and my parents are in their 40s.

[deleted] • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 03:50 AM

Hey, uh, reddit. You're not supposed to downvote honest questions.

n00bvin • 10 points • 3 August, 2014 12:57 AM

Not sure why you were downvoted. I guess people saw as challenging her because she didn't add that? I didn't take it that way, but that you were just curious.

haiku_finder_bot • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 03:54 AM

I guess people saw as challenging her because she didn't add that

AccretionDiskS • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 05:02 AM

You've done nothing but have gained the support of hundreds! I'm god damn proud of you!
/u/TheOneAndOnlyTainted for president everyone!

Hang on, is "violence is not okay" something we have to point out nowadays?

[deleted] • 24 points • 3 August, 2014 05:39 AM

Australia only has a "violence against women, Australia says no" campaign that has been going on for over a decade.

Of course, there isn't a campaign that is gender neutral.

Number357 • 2 points • 4 August, 2014 05:08 AM

It's the same in the US. We have a Violence Against Women Act and our President has given speeches saying that men need to end violence against women.

Duncan006 • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 05:31 PM

I'd like to just leave this here: Whoopi Goldberg Defends Stephen A. Smith on "The View" where 4 other people argue against Whoopi in a case about domestic violence, where the woman hit the man, and the man hit back. Quite an eye-opening clip.

Humankeg • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 02:05 AM

http://m.foxsportsradio.com/media/podcast-jay-mohr-sports-hours-Jay_Mohr_Sports_Hours/0728-jay-mohr-sports-hr-1-25082089/

Just listen for a moment starting at 20:08. That's media for you.

DancesWithPugs • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 05:31 AM

Clever little slide. "There's no such thing as fighting words," okay fine, followed by talking about a women throwing blows as if it's in the same category as rude words or burning a meal. Glib scumbag, so disingenuous.

Humankeg • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:13 AM

Boggled my mind how Jay Mohr (the host) completely misunderstood Steven A., which was clearly talking about a woman becoming physical with a man to provoke a fight, not "burning his dinner". There is a huge difference.

If dinner is burned, oh well, we open a window. Maybe disapointed, not mad. If a person (man or woman) tries to touch me, they are fucked.

neoj8888 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:33 AM

Actually, it was a fill in host, but yeah, the guy was a dishonest douche.

DancesWithPugs • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 11:20 AM

I like the phrase "your rights end at the start of my nose."

That was not Jay Mohr, but a stand in.

I think the "misunderstanding" was deliberate and underhanded, but then again some people are incredibly poor listeners. I just can't stand to hear public figures make blatant fallacies then act like they won the debate.

baskandpurr • 68 points • 2 August, 2014 11:28 PM

Sadly, "Don't hit people" is something women still need to be taught.

BraveSirZaphod • 204 points • 2 August, 2014 11:38 PM

Let's not get too excited with our generalizations.

baskandpurr • 132 points • 3 August, 2014 12:00 AM*

You're right. "Don't hit people" is something women still aren't taught. But its only a problem with the ones that hit people.

[deleted] • 59 points • 3 August, 2014 03:19 AM

Men who hit people are also lacking in this area of their education.

JamesonHearn • 58 points • 3 August, 2014 04:00 AM

Let's just sum it up to "People who hit people don't know it's wrong to hit people"

InfanticideAquifer • 36 points • 3 August, 2014 04:41 AM

Sometimes people do things they know are wrong.

5MileWalk • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 07:18 AM

Is jaywalking considered wrong? I don't like going to the crosswalk I mean if I get hit by a car I'll accept my fault but I haven't been hit by a car so really it's okay to jaywalk if you ask me Yknow.

InfanticideAquifer • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 07:37 AM

I don't consider jaywalking wrong unless you are dumb enough to do it in a way that requires cars to change how they're driving to avoid you.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:40 PM

Everyone has some mistake that is blatantly obvious to everyone around them that they just can't see past. Unfortunately, being violent can be one of those mistakes.

[deleted] • 25 points • 3 August, 2014 09:56 AM

Society teaches men not to hit women.

In America, for at least the last twenty five years, it basically teaches women that there is nothing wrong with hitting men. You see it on television, in popular culture. Unlike domestic violence against women, which is covered thoroughly in schools, the only time women hitting men is mentioned is to say that it isn't an 'excuse' to hit women. And for at least my entire life, there has been a certain cadre of women who see a little girl hitting boys, and they don't reprimand her -- they pump their fist in the air and scream 'You go girl!'

Stop with the BS false equivalence. Men are taught not to hit women. Women are not, as a rule, taught not to hit men.

Curious_Swede • 12 points • 3 August, 2014 10:29 AM

Men are always taught not to hit women. Some still disregard that.

Women are not taught that hitting men is wrong. Some embrace that.

That is the difference.

EinsteinRidesShotgun • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:10 PM

All good points.

baskandpurr • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:17 PM

I think you'll find they are made perfectly aware that hitting women is a bad thing. Hitting men is probably fair game, there is almost no education that men should not hit other men.

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[deleted] • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 01:48 AM*

paraphrasing since comment was deleted: "people generally should not hit others"

You're right. "Don't hit people" is something women who hit people and people who are not women who hit people still aren't taught.

UncleTogie • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 03:14 AM

You're right. "Don't hit people" is something women who hit people and people who are not women who hit people still aren't taught.

Y'know, I think I like this version the best.

baskandpurr • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:14 PM

Doesn't make it right. You think that nobody ever tells men that they shouldn't hit women?

[deleted] • 17 points • 3 August, 2014 02:02 AM

This is what I love about mensrights. Someone posts a generalization, then they're reminded not to be sexist. This is what separates this sub from some others which I won't name.

baskandpurr • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 12:28 PM*

Its not a generalisation: women are not taught to not hit men. If a woman hits a man it is funny, or empowering. The rest of this thread is annoying with all the SJWs parroting sexism because you fail to comprehend the argument. How fucking superior your oppression radar must be.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:49 PM

You underestimate a lot of parents. I know a lot of women who would never hit someone. That really was quite a generalization.

baskandpurr • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:09 PM*

Again, you fail to separate the concept of what people would do from what people are being told not to do. I know lots of women who would never hit someone, but neither of us has ever seen a campaign to prevent female violence against men. Would you like me to show you a list of videos where nobody tells a woman to stop hitting a man?

potpot7 • -4 points • 3 August, 2014 03:25 AM

from a woman who usually hates mensrights for it's blatant sexism, it's nice to see this! we both need to fight the sexism on both of our sides :)

[deleted] • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 03:44 AM

I rarely see sexist posts on mensrights get upvoted without someone calling them out.

Can't say the same about TRP, SRS, and other parts of reddit.

2x doesn't upvote sexist comments but it's not a feminist subreddit primarily, I've seen quite a few sexist things in /r/feminism slip through but I've also seen one or two in /r/mensrights (albeit rarely)

[deleted] • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 04:24 AM

Every time twox or trollx tries to tackle gender issues it's always a firestorm of sexism and if you point it out you're instantly downvoted or banned for disrupting the echo chamber.

[deleted] • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 04:29 AM

I've experienced this as well, but honestly it's not often that blatantly sexist comments get upvoted. They usually sneak them in by saying something like, "I understand seeing a hot girl is kind of like me seeing a hot guy. But it's different when I "eye-rape"you, because you don't have any actual fear of being raped" (NOTE: Not a real comment! Just an example of something that will get upvoted that is very sexist)

potpot7 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:52 AM

I've seen them pretty often actually! I guess I just notice them more because I feel like they attack me personally. I agree about TRP and SRS. 2x is one of my favourite subreddits, it tends to be pretty balanced, and I don't really visit feminism anymore but mensrights has a lot more commenters and posts that it does, so there's bound to be more sexism.

[deleted] • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 04:31 AM

2x is very good about not allowing sexist comments. But I've seen them sneaked in before, almost like a false comment... "Oh, your hair looks nice, for a ginger!" type thing.

An example would be "I get it, I really do. Seeing a hot girl is like when I see a hot guy - sure I "eye-rape" you, but the difference is, you don't have any actual fear of being raped" which doesn't sound all too bad, because it's mostly true. But it implies that men are rapists and women are not. That is the definition of sexism and it's also hurtful. But often that will get upvoted because it's worded like an "Oh, I get it, sometimes when you see a beautiful girl you take a second glance! I do it too! But you are a fucking rapist and I'm not!!!", but without the blatant sexism.

themanshow • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 07:45 AM

I rarely see sexist posts on mensrights get upvoted without someone calling them out.

Well, the typical definition of sexism used is, "saying anything negative about a woman or about feminism" so it's a pretty broad definition they use...

Eryemil • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:33 PM

I was taught to not hit girls as a child, none of my female peers got the same advice.

Society teaches men not to hit women, it doesn't care if women hit men.

[deleted] • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 04:28 AM

Don't be a fucking idiot. Keep your inability to recognize patterns to yourself.

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:19 PM

He's kinda right tho'. Same deal in scandinavia. Women have no problem hitting men for small issues.

Tmomp • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:51 AM

Sadly, "Don't hit people" is something women still need to be taught.

Sadly, "Don't hit people" is something **people who hit people** still need to be taught.

Some of those people are men, some women.

[deleted] • 10 points • 3 August, 2014 09:56 AM

As I said above, men are already taught not to hit women.

Society makes no concerted effort to teach women not to hit men.

baskandpurr • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 12:15 PM

Men are constantly told not to hit women but women do not get told the opposite. In fact women hitting men is often celebrated. So while that statement is right in the sense of who does the hitting, its wrong in the sense of who gets told not to.

BalefireX • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 02:42 AM

What shocks me is that this got upvotes. You realized that the comment was bad and apologized, but others saw no problem with it.

baskandpurr • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 12:25 PM*

The comment is not bad, its just that people have a knee jerk comprehension. I said something about one sex so the automatic response is to assume sexism. People love jumping on moralistic judgements because it makes them feel justified. You think my comment is *bad*, I'm so sorry, I am a terrible person and I must bow to your superior correctness. ^{/s}

People are arguing about wether women and men actually hit people, when the statement is about what they are taught. There is no message that women should not hit men, in fact its quite frequently celebrated when they do. Man against man, or woman against woman, is seen as a battle for superior status rather than an offence. The only case that people actively suggest is negative is male hitting female. She can hit him and thats fine, but he can't hit back.

alarumba • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:39 AM

Yep. New Zealand has had an ad campaign saying just that for the last 7-8 years.

RespawnerSE • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 09:16 AM

No, but you get shared a lot if you post uncontroversial things.

InViennaLifelsBetter • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 09:31 AM

Le wrong generation

SaintJimmy1 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 11:28 AM

But then how do we kill the white male heterosexual cis scum?

Slipping_Tire • -14 points • 3 August, 2014 12:09 AM

Violence is the native language of most people, given the abundance of children who are hit before they even learn English. Of course, society minimizes by calling it "spanking" in the same way that male genital mutilation is minimized by calling it "circumcision".

coachbradb • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:36 AM

Wow. Someone has an agenda.

If your theory held true all people who were spanked would be violent. The mass majority of them are not. Your theory is busted. Sorry you had a bad childhood but not everyone had crappy parents like you.

Bet you blame them for everything. No need to reply as I do not feel like having a 3rd grade argument with someone who thinks like a 3rd grader. I will be putting you on my ignore list so I never have to see any tripe posted by you again. Watch, you will probable still reply.

n00bvin • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:08 AM

Spanking is poor parenting, but it doesn't mean a child will end up violent. Spanking is not necessary in parenting. Not at all. It's probably the laziest form of parenting. Fear and violence is how things are done? Of course not.

coachbradb • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 03:13 AM

Spanking is poor parenting

Opinion.

but it doesn't mean a child will end up violent

This was the the other persons argument. Not mine. Mine is that the mass majority of kids who are spanked will not grow up violent.

It's probably the laziest form of parenting

Again you are stating opinion.

Fear and violence is how things are done? Of course not.

A million years of human history would disagree.

n00bvin • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:47 AM

Sure, it's an opinion, but with experience in both being raised and raising a child. Spanking was never a part of it.

Why are children exceptions in little slaps? You think as an adult you can no longer be taught.

What if they slapped you while teaching you a new task a work? It's effective, right? You would be OK with that - it seems to be a proven method.

Slaps and spanks are quick fixes that are unnecessary - it may be an opinion, but it's worked in my family for at least 42 years.

[deleted] • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 03:05 AM

It is safer to be feared than loved.

-Machiavelli

jkrys • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:04 AM

Is that an actual quote? I remember the message of The Prince being more of a "you need to be both loved and hated, only one without the other is not enough" kind of thing.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:47 AM

Machiavelli says it is optimal to be both feared and loved, but if you can only have one, it is better to be feared. Hence, he is most famously quoted for his "it is safer to be feared than loved."

n00bvin • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:03 AM

I agree with some of that. Spanking is more for the parent than the child. The child learns fear and aggression, the parent is coping poorly with their stress. It's never good.

However, being circumcised myself and enjoying it just fine, I'm not as keen to take up that cause. I'm pretty much ok with it.

Packagepressure • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 02:57 AM

I don't understand your stance. If I swat my daughter's hand when she stubbornly reaches for the hot stove (or anything she's not supposed to touch) I'm abusing her? I'm a bad parent because I would rather her take what I say seriously than take a nasty burn? Its not an ongoing thing. I've taught both my girls to listen through a firm hand. Once they learned to listen, I haven't had to do anything other than talk to them since then.

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 04:08 AM

Sadly, a lot of people don't understand there is a *big* difference between child abuse and discipline. Discouraging a kid not to do wrong is not abuse, it's good parenting.

[deleted] • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 01:35 AM

Only if you want karma.

EvilPundit • 91 points • 2 August, 2014 09:46 PM

Good one!

You should also post this on /r/TumblrAtRest - the subreddit dedicated to sanity on tumblr.

you__said • 28 points • 3 August, 2014 04:08 AM

I had a boyfriend who used arm punches as punctuation. Sometimes it hurt, sometimes it was just jarring. Finally, I punched him back once. Hard. He was like "OW! Damn, that hurts!" He never did it again. Fast forward a LOT of years, I think pinching is cute, harmless, and funny. I pinch my (not the same guy) boyfriend like it tickles. Finally, he pinched me back once. I was like "OW! Damn, that hurts!" I never did it again.

Baalzabub • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 12:44 PM

slow clap

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:24 PM

lol

polysyllabist • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 12:06 AM

I have this friend from high school who hit everyone, me in particular. As emphasis, an endearing sort of, "oh you ". And the guys who showed they could take it she didn't bother to hold back on.

I enjoyed the back and forth and didn't mind it at all. It was cute, we had a thing. One day a decade into our friendship she's at my place, we're eating dinner, catching up. I make a verbal jab and she respond with a first to my gut. I knew it was coming, might even have been looking to provoke it. But she was sitting, I was sitting, and she'd never reach me from her angle. So I stood up so she could connect.

But she was moving fast, if I was going to position myself properly I had to move fast too. The result was her throwing a normal leisurely punch like always but having a tall athletic man burst out of his chair and stand impossibly over her before she could connect. She felt chastised, rebuked.

I didn't mean it that way, but I think she reevaluated her behavior. She hasn't done it to anyone since. We don't talk about it.

Thing is, it made me evaluate my behavior too. I was ok with it. I probably shouldn't have been ok with it.

gthockeydude • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 05:29 PM

With the second guy I don't think you did anything wrong. You didn't do it out of anger but just trying to be cute and playful. Once you realized it hurt, you stopped. You did the right thing.

[deleted] 3 August, 2014 12:09 AM*

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anonagent • 42 points • 3 August, 2014 01:07 AM

Literally this, I've talked about how women are infantilized before, but no one seems to get it.

Ikiry • 11 points • 3 August, 2014 03:05 AM*

Maybe this will be a good point of reference in your future debates.

I can't find a good version of the documentary but here is a decent link.

<http://www.filmsforaction.org/watch/the-codes-of-gender-2011/>

More to the point, go to 35:00. The section is titled "infantilization"

anonagent • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 11:44 AM

I disagree with pretty much the entire video, but especially that part, I don't think the supposed "thumb sucking" is supposed to illicit that response at all, it's supposed to be suggestive of how beautiful women's lips are, and oral sex...

RosalindSHH • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 02:52 PM

This is actually a feminist issue.

anonagent • 1 point • 5 August, 2014 07:04 AM

Yes, but that doesn't mean it's ramifications don't affect other groups.

RosalindSHH • 1 point • 6 August, 2014 05:00 AM

They do. But it's bad for both men and women and ought to be fought against by both groups together. As a cohesive unit.

Erick408 • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 03:41 PM

Wipe Goldberg(not sure if j spelled her name right) said this. As wrong as it is, don't expect some false sense of chivalry when you hit a guy. She said, "you physically strike him in your lack of judgment, what stops him from lacking said judgment."

Duncan006 • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 05:32 PM

Yup, I posted a comment farther up with the link to that video, here is it:

I'd like to just leave this here: Whoopi Goldberg Defends Stephen A. Smith on "The View" where 4 other people argue against Whoopi in a case about domestic violence, where the woman hit the man, and the man hit back. Quite an eye-opening clip.

Erick408 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 06:08 PM

Thank you, I'm in a phone so you helped.

Duncan006 • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 06:14 PM

Thank you, I'm in a phone so you helped.

You're in a phone?!?! I there anything we can do to help?!?!

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Erick408 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:49 PM

I was just walking by when it was in the tv but still. She's was getting hounded by the other girls on the view. Like females have some unalienable right to not be hit. I've been hit by girls and never hit them back. Who says some circumstance doesn't happen where I'm the worst mood or had a terrible day. There argument was so a 6 ft has to defend himself agains a 5ft girl? She just stated "does a 5 ft girl have any place hitting a 6ft talk man?"

Ophites • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:16 AM

This person gets it.

FriedMattato • 22 points • 3 August, 2014 02:09 AM

How hard is it to realize you shouldn't hit the people you allegedly care about regardless?

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:41 AM*

Some people enjoy a playful physical "banter". Don't see the problem between two consenting adults, whatever their sex.

Edit: Wow this sub is worse than those tumblr posts. If you look down on what two consenting adults do amongst themselves, I think you might have some issues...

Uploaded_by_iLurk • 19 points • 3 August, 2014 03:50 AM

I was onto an exchange today where I handed over my daughter to her mother. I live in ND. Her mother was taking my daughter out of State illegally and I tried to put my daughter back in my vehicle. My ex tried to pull my daughter out of my arms to the point My daughter said mommy you're hurting me. The cops were called he put me in the back of his cruiser even though I said I wanted to press assault charges on the mother. He then took my statement which included her jumping on my back. Told me to get out of there and wait until we had a parenting plan in place. I was assaulted by my ex and he did nothing.

DXGypsy • 18 points • 3 August, 2014 04:37 AM

This is exactly why the Men's Rights Movement exists. It's not about misogyny and complaining. It's about things like /u/Uploaded_by_iLurk just went through. It's about fighting back against the lopsided legal, court, and prison system that regularly victimizes and vilifies men as an automatic. The media perception that men are the only aggressors and abusers. The social stigma that only women are qualified to be the custodial care giver. And that women are automatically entitled to leech off of a man's future earnings via alimony.

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Uploaded_by_iLurk • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:47 AM

I've been drinking a lot but it is horrible I even had video of the whole incident and the cop didn't care. I'm so stressed out I don't know what to do.

chumia40 • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 05:57 AM

Dude, I haven't seen my three year old son in three months because my ex (who was abusive and manipulative) accused me of sexually molesting him just because she found out I am dating someone. She broke into my house destroyed a bunch of my pictures with current gf and computer equipment, assaulted me she gloated over what she did and told me she was gonna accuse me of this shit over text messages and calls. Comes next Monday I have CPS breathing down my neck and even though I had proof of her bullshit they asked me to have someone accompany me during my visitation with my son. When she saw that her crap was not flying she got a temporary restraining order for my son with the same accusation and they have been asking for extensions ever since. I really miss my son, but I can't give up. Things are dark here.

Baalzabub • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:50 PM

Stay strong Brother

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Uploaded_by_iLurk • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:32 PM

I have an attorney but he seems pretty useless.

[deleted] • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 04:03 AM

That's horrible, dude. It just shows how feminist dominate today's society.

Methodius_ • 201 points • 2 August, 2014 09:47 PM

Good to see someone with a brain posting on tumblr. 90% of the time it's nothing but SJW crap.

live_free • 73 points • 2 August, 2014 11:00 PM

It is sad, and quite telling, that someone even feels the need to post on /r/MensRights, or make this rebuttal to tumblrinas, that physical abuse is *not okay*.

[deleted] • 41 points • 2 August, 2014 11:08 PM

The other 9% is porn. The 1% is just abandoned fandom tumblrs.

xSPYXEx • 52 points • 2 August, 2014 11:55 PM

But that 9%? Man there's some quality in there.

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DwelveDeeper • 8 points • 3 August, 2014 12:56 AM

Follow ifuckharder, fucklikeagod, and adultxvideos for some good stuff on tumblr

[deleted] • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 01:21 AM

Is still visit pony comic tumblrs T_T. To be honest though I kind of lost interest after SJWs got Molestia shut down.

sconeTodd • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 01:57 AM

I don't see any of this, i just use it for porn

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paparazzi_rider • 10 points • 3 August, 2014 04:32 AM

I actually assumed that's where I was. Whoops!

halvin_and_cobbes • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:11 AM

It's nothing near 90 percent

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berlinbaer • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 01:46 AM

please dont disrupt the circlejerk with your silly facts.

Ohh_Yeah • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 02:42 AM

Literally, though. Most Tumblrinas won't open their mouth about this stuff outside of their house

-Nail- • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:44 AM

Bunch of cunts on Tumblr.

FreeBroccoli • 36 points • 2 August, 2014 11:21 PM

Can I get a link to this so I can reblog it?

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konoplya • 10 points • 3 August, 2014 12:39 AM

I'm gonna reblog too, thanks

saltytrey • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 06:58 PM

It was funny when it happened to Joey, but not when it happened to Rachel. Or when Rachel hit back Because Joey wasn't allowed to.

hungry4nuns • 28 points • 2 August, 2014 11:47 PM

Also girls shouldn't hit girls and guys shouldn't hit guys either. In fact let's just abandon these primitive forms of physical communication and asserting dominance physically. Consenting trained fighters only with a strict code of honour

OldManPsylus • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 04:16 PM

I agree with everything but the 'trained' part. I think my relationship with my brother would be worse overall if we had never rough-housed. We never threw punches in anger, and never tried to intentionally permanently injure each other. Rough-housing is fun!

hungry4nuns • 2 points • 4 August, 2014 05:13 PM

Not for the younger smaller brother who gets beaten up every time. Source: childhood

OldManPsylus • 1 point • 5 August, 2014 12:44 AM

I was the younger smaller brother, until I got bigger than my brother - but by then we'd grown out of that phase!

firks • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:57 PM

Consensual hitting is the best though

[deleted] • 30 points • 2 August, 2014 11:24 PM

I'm glad to see you wrote this.

I'm sad because stuff like this only ever seems to be accepted when it comes from a woman's lips.

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Methodius_ • 11 points • 3 August, 2014 02:49 AM

I'm surprised you didn't get any regardless. Most women who going against typical female privileges do.

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SaintJimmy1 • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 11:30 AM

The best they could do is throw things at you from their mobility scooters.

fernandotakai • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:06 PM

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even when it comes from women's lips, they (the rad-dumblr-like feminists) say it's internalized misogyny or some shit.

-Fender- • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 01:19 AM

I'm unfamiliar with how Tumblr works. What are notes? Are they supposed to be positive things, or can they be either positive and negative, and are the equivalent of Reddit comments?

TheOakSpartan • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 01:06 AM

People use tumblr for things other than porn?

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TheOakSpartan • 8 points • 3 August, 2014 01:09 AM

Maybe if they new about all the porn they wouldn't have time for all the hate.

innocent_bystander • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 02:16 AM

There's an entire alternative universe of angsty teen girls on there, with all the topics one would expect of that audience.

[deleted] • 29 points • 3 August, 2014 01:11 AM

Male here.

Can we please stop with all this beating up bullshit? No one should be beating anyone up.

insert_comment • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 04:53 PM

As a man who is huge & often mistaken as someone who can take abuse from anyone, I thank you. I had violent childhood. Mother was physically abusive & manipulative. I know first hand that women can be violent. I will never hit a human being.... & get sad when people say you shouldn't hit women. people shouldn't hit people.

I've often been criticised for complaining that women hit me in fun or out of frustration etc. Doesn't happen often, but it is indeed an emotional blow each & every time...

Thank you.... With all my heart.

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 11:54 PM

You're very welcome. In fact, you can message me anytime you want to talk.

[deleted] • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 05:34 PM*

I was in a relationship with a controlling woman who would get physical now and then with me. I was never seriously injured, and whenever it occurred, all I could do was walk away and hope she didn't call the cops

saying that I DID SOMETHING. It really fucking hurts emotionally, and it wears down your psyche.

Her and I broke up about a year ago today, and I've been NC with her for 6 months now. I still can't date even muster up any desire to date again. After going through that hell, I want nothing to do with dating or relationships. A lot of people will say things like "suck it up" "don't be a pussy" "put her in her place" and stuff. The funny thing is, all of these people that say that garbage are the real cowards. They don't want to acknowledge the truth that WOMEN CAN BE ABUSIVE because it hurts their precious little man-egos. OH WELL I GUESS THE FUCKING BITCH NEEDED A "REAL MAN".

speedkillz • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 06:00 PM

Young lady: welcome to the right side.

AllHisDarkMaterials • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 08:56 PM

Story time, sort of: Me in lively street, Girl on her phone, Her Man walking beside her. She stumbles over sth. and starts cussing him out for not warning her. yelling gets harsher, she starts slapping him, once, twice, a third time. and not lightly either. He looks at her perplex and takes it. Then clocks her once right on the nose, she starts bleeding and gets knocked on her ass. Don't know what happened then, because my subway came. Ah, Frankfurt

[deleted] • 8 points • 3 August, 2014 01:09 AM

This is common sense.

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[deleted] • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 01:19 AM

Perhaps they will look back and realize how fucking stupid they were as teens.

Also that is why I hardly use social media sites, I don't want people to know what idiotic things once said, since after all I am a stupid teen.

Todd_Solondz • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:37 AM

I never had facebook as a teenager, but recently one of my younger friends who I did not know when he was a teenager had all his old statuses brought back up (someone commented on them).

Blew my mind a little to see how different he clearly was. And just how much stupid, stupid shit he and his friends had said. I kinda wish I did have facebook as a teen. Might be fun to look up and cringe at.

DXGypsy • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 04:09 AM

It is more than just the "man being physically abused in a relationship" thing. It's the ingrained mentality that it's just fine to hit a man in vengeance. How many TV shows, sitcoms, movies, etc. have you seen where some guy gets slapped in the face, kicked in the nuts, or punched in the face by the woman he "wronged"? And the crowd cheers and laughs and yahoos over how he got what he deserved because the guy had insulted or cheated or lusted after her? *Oh but he was a jerk so he DESERVED to be physically assaulted.*

Until that kind of mentality is not the norm, then we have a problem.

Because unless it suddenly becomes okay for a man to punch a woman in the face for ogling him, then it is NOT okay for the reverse.

[deleted] • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 06:46 AM

This isn't in favor of us men. This is just equality which is what we all need.

Sir_Fancy_Pants • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 09:18 AM

I had the unique position of being pursued by a woman from my boxing class, we went on a few dates and she really liked me, however one day in the class she hit me because i made a funny joke about someone else (cant remember what it was at all) and she full on punched me as hard as she could on my arm, (this was post class so we had no gloves or wraps on).

What shocked me was how quickly it was, no hesitation no follow through just instant (ironically actually faster than her sparring),there was no further dates, i dropped her like a stone.

But i remember also she later was telling me how she had a huge go at her son for not hitting a girl back who was hitting him in school (he was 5) she was really angry and telling me the situation and i think she even hit/spanked him, she thought she was being a champion of justice till i pointed put from the poor kids point of view he is being beaten by one girl and then being beaten by another woman for not doing anything.

Some women are crazy I'm glad i dodged that bullet (she was a crap boxer too, never managed to hit me once when actually sparring)

theskepticalidealist • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 10:06 AM

Wow and then one day that kid will hit his gf/wife and people will say there goes that monster the typical man that likes to beat women.

Sir_Fancy_Pants • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 10:14 AM

I felt sorry for the kid, its no surprise he doesn't have a father, little mite probably doesn't stand a chance.

scottsouth • 5 points • 4 August, 2014 04:27 AM

I think the most important part is "belittle" and "control". Some people think "i'm not physically hurting this person, therefore it's not abuse". The time to change yourself, is not just when you're physically hurting someone, but should take place before that, when you are using abusive language and abusive behavior.

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 3 points • 4 August, 2014 01:47 PM

Yeah. Why is it typical in a relationship for a woman to have complete control, and a man can't have an independent thought of his own without her? I hate that. So many guys I know have said things like "My wife won't let me grow a beard" or "I love comics but she threw all mine out" or "I'm not allowed to see my friends because she doesn't like them".

If a man controlled a woman like that, she'd be shipped off to a woman's shelter. But when a woman does it, she's "making him a better person".

lima_247 • 9 points • 2 August, 2014 11:32 PM

Wow. I use tumblr, but mostly for my shitty poetry, surrealist art, and photos of cats. I also had a roommate my freshman year of college who would just go HAM on her boyfriend, while he sat there and took it. One time she even "showed off" to me how hard she could hit him, and I had to be all like "dude. Thats not ok." Blew my fucking mind that people like her exist.

konoplya • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 12:37 AM

I predominantly use tumblr for me and my girl's amateur porn blog and all things bdsm

SarcastiCock • 18 points • 2 August, 2014 09:41 PM

Cool. Looked at your history, your ratties are so cute.

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The-Bard • 9 points • 2 August, 2014 11:22 PM

Ooh Rats?

I have two myself! How long have you had them?

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SarcastiCock • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 01:03 AM

They're the friendliest small animal I've ever had, better than any hamster, gerbil, guinea pig or bunny.

Furah • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 01:37 AM

Not the ones in our walls. They don't understand that them running around keeps me up on occasion.

SarcastiCock • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 02:36 AM

Killem before they reproduce.

Furah • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 02:40 AM

They don't come out for anything. They have no interest in anything we set down for bait. The only ones we get is one every month or two that fell for the trap in the shed.

titaniumjackal • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:49 AM

And smartest.

raps_caucasionally • 2 points • 6 August, 2014 12:44 AM

I'm liking you more and more.

deadalnix • 7 points • 2 August, 2014 09:57 PM

OT: could you explain to a foreigner what rattie means ?

shonmao • 18 points • 2 August, 2014 10:15 PM

An affectionate term for rats. As in the rodents.

josh_legs • 13 points • 2 August, 2014 11:02 PM

As an American, Ty for explaining

SarcastiCock • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 01:05 AM

I've only ever heard it used on reddit, because of /r/rattit. That's where I got the use of "rattie" from.

AugustSprite • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 12:49 AM

With nouns, changing them to have -ie and -y endings is kind of our diminutive form, making it little or cute. I.e. babe to baby, cute to cutesy, dog to doggy. You can do it to people's names too: Richard to Richie, Robert to Robby.

I am not a linguist though.

DXGypsy • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 03:48 AM

Thank you for daring to say what should be plainly obvious to *everyone* but just isn't.

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 03:51 AM

Thanks! To me it's just common sense -- I hate seeing people being hit, controlled, abused, etc. not matter what gender. I don't know why some people don't see it that way.

batmanbatmanbatmen • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 05:03 AM

Man this might be too late to be read by anybody, but it's worth a shot.

Thanks for posting this. I had a girlfriend who was abusive. Physically she would slap me and shove me around when she would throw these temper tantrums. One day she threatened suicide and even ran up to get a knife--she threatened suicide very often and often used it in a pawn to manipulate me--but she never grabbed a knife in front of me before, so I got an RA involved (we were living in a university dorm). After I calmly explained to her what I did, and how we were going to have to go talk to an emergency counselor, she threw things at me, poured water on my head, and told me how much she hated me and how I was ruining her life.

Verbally was much much worse. I could list hundreds of horrible, awful nasty things that she told me and that wouldn't even scratch the surface. When she would throw these temper tantrums, she would just plain out destroy me with her words. She wielded her words like a weapon, knowing all of my weaknesses and insecurities and she would just go full force destroyer mode. She said things that--had anyone else said them to me, I would never talk to them for the rest of my life--every time she would throw a temper tantrum. She would get upset over anything, and if there wasn't a tangible reason for her to throw a tantrum, she would invent one. She would threaten suicide if I didn't cave to her every demand. She would threaten suicide so I wouldn't go out with friends. She would kick me out her room for no reason, then become irate when I would leave and threaten suicide if I didn't come back.

It really really sucked and she kind of destroyed my ego, my self image, my sense of self, and my faith in the beauty of life. I've gotten better since I broke up with her, but I still have my ups and downs.

She has a tumblr so I really really hope she sees this post.

Also I've kind of had a bad case of oneitis since the break up so if ya'll want to bash my ex a bit and make me feel better I'd appreciate it

Lance_lake • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 07:48 PM

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I didn't have a GF, I had a wife of 7 years. She didn't hit (except once), but verbally, she was just like your GF. It took me years to really start to get over it and I'm still recovering. It will get better and I feel for you man.

batmanbatmanbatmen • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 11:09 PM

thanks for the reply man. yeah abusive SOs can be real stinkers. I'm sorry you had to go through that for 7 years. I was only with mine for a year and half and the abuse didn't start until 10 months in. It was just so volatile and horrible for the spirit that I had to get out. She suffered from numerous disorders, I'm fairly certain Borderline personality disorder, and a million percent certain severe depression and anger issues. I tried to stay for her sake, and because I loved her, but she refused to go to therapy or acknowledge that she had a problem, so I had to let go. It was a very, very, very tough choice and I really hope I never have to make a decision that hard again in my life.

But they say time heals all wounds so I hope the best to you, internet stranger.

Lance_lake • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 11:18 PM

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I hear that. For me, it was after I was married that she changed and my personal code of honor kept me in it until a friend said, "Does a promise that is hurting you this much worth keeping?"

Best of luck to you as well friend. :)

EternalOptimist829 • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 06:55 AM

I know as a girl there are a lot of things that it feels like you can't do that guys can, but as a guy the big one for us that women can do yet we can't is admit when we're in pain/hurt/feeling weak or vulnerable. We feel like we *have* to take it cause we're men and that's how it goes.

But it's like women don't get that yeah, just because it doesn't hurt physically all that bad doesn't mean it doesn't suck to know a person who is supposed to care about us wants us to feel pain.

SoHowDoYouFixIt • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 07:27 AM

i get the feeling that many women agree to this in principle but in practice couldnt give a shit less and still live by that double standard that is so damn common with western women.

qtyapa • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 12:32 PM

My ex used to be really abusive when she is on her periods.

TrollzFodder • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 08:54 PM

Thank you so much OP! I would say that most people want equality for all, but at the same time very few of them are willing to even speak up when they see inequality occurring in front of them. I can't remember how many times I have been passed over, or felt passed over, because of my gender. Hell, I even notice it in my parents - I told them I was molested a couple of times when I was younger and it didn't really seem to phase them at all. It wasn't just that I kinda felt disregarded so much as they had told me how they would literally kill a boy for doing the same to my sister. Talk about feeling rejected by your own parents because of your sex.

scottsouth • 11 points • 2 August, 2014 09:43 PM

She gets it.

Meatpuppy • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 05:05 AM

Is this type of women hitting guys fairly recent? I'm 35+ and have never been hit in anger by a woman.

DXGypsy • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 05:54 AM

It's always been around but it's reaching new heights these days due to the mainstreaming of the media that it's okay to hit men and they can never touch you back fr it.

Dwood15 • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 08:28 AM

And laws where a male can go to jail for the night without proving that the male physically hit her, witness, marks, whatever.

SarcastiCock • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 06:00 PM

Verbal abuse is in about 15%-20% of couples

Physical abuse is in about 5-10%, which includes all forms of more common physical abuse without reported injuries. Women get hurt more, but not exclusively as the domestic homicide rate is still 1/4 men.

The likelihood of you not encountering it in your personal life is pretty good, but when you do it's a shocker.

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Tech_Itch • 47 points • 3 August, 2014 12:54 AM*

The fact that it isn't viewed as common decency is exactly the reason why it *is* a men's rights issue. Or are you saying that real men's rights issues don't exist in general, and this one only effects men, but isn't one?

theskepticalidealist • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 09:57 AM*

So "as a feminist" how do you explain feminisms minimisation and dismissal of partner violence (sexual or otherwise) against men by women? You would have to say you do not agree with mainstream feminists and that most self described feminists are too ignorant to be called "real feminists" . This is basically what Christina Hoss Sommers' position is, who is considered a mens rights advocate by the MRM and that is why her books are listed in the side bar under recommended reading next to Warren Farrell. The problem is she is still gynocentric enough to still want to call herself a feminist despite it making as much sense as someone suggesting a word like "caucasianism" is a legitimate word to refer to anti-racism. Once you understand why it would be absurd to define caucasianism as "anti-racism/egalitarian", you'll understand how we see feminism and its for the same exact reasons.

[deleted] • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 05:47 PM

This is an almost eerily excellent analogy to draw. Thanks.

theskepticalidealist • 2 points • 9 August, 2014 11:23 PM

Thanks. You can counter the predictable response that "*ahh but white people oppressed other races so obviously it wouldnt make sence!*" by saying "Africanism" wouldn't make sense either.

theskepticalidealist • 28 points • 3 August, 2014 12:57 AM*

How is it not a mens issue?

[deleted] • 27 points • 3 August, 2014 01:32 AM

Agreed, if it's women's rights not to be abused, it's men's rights too. When we talk about abuse towards women, it's always a women's rights issue, so it should be the same for men. It's only fair.

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[deleted] • 13 points • 3 August, 2014 01:38 AM

But if a man hits a woman, it will always be classified a women's rights issue and to deny that would anger some women. I think it's only fair men's rights begins to be accepted.

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[deleted] • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 01:47 AM

It is everyone's issues but the culture around discussing abuse towards females is so strongly female oriented and projected with terms like 'women's rights' and 'feminism' that I'm concerned if we don't at least give the same dignity to male issues, female rights will continue to eclipse the attention of men's rights.

5cBurro • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:35 PM

What makes male issues seem to lack dignity are the temper tantrums that accompany such claims for attention, as tho the not being the center of attention for one second is a slight against your entire being.

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[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:57 PM

The way we discuss issues frames the way we think about issues. Nobody here is going to say that some groups can be abused and others cannot. Violence is bad is a given. All I was saying is in the total history of domestic or otherwise abuse towards women, there is an expectation and a precedent to group it as an issue of the gender divide, 'women's rights'. Now, the second men's rights becomes a subject worth discussing (as it hasn't prominently in the past been), it's suddenly 'everyone's rights' - which it should have always been. But we must be practical in this world and make sure people realise there is an issue with attitudes towards men in this case, not just human beings. This reflects an attitude that men can take abuse but women cannot, and that in my mind is what makes it a men's rights issue.

I read through your points, and when you say that anyone opposed to the idea of dignity is a waste of time to engage with is a given, as I've said. We're framing the debate, we already have the parameters.

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[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:00 PM

Your view is too noble and idealistic. You said you went to trade school right? So you haven't had to deal with intellectuals. They're often dicks. As long as ultra-feminists are labelling something women's rights and we have courses in university about women's studies, the gender war lives on. Women's rights are also fundamentally different to men's in some respects, like in birth control.

Attitudes towards men and women will always differ, let's at least give both sides an equal voice. I upvoted because I appreciate your points and like this discussion.

[deleted] • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 02:00 AM

But it is a men's rights issue when society responds differently to female abusing men than men abusing women, and when society prosecutes a man for assault when he's defending himself against an attacking woman and people on TV, not just the dumb women on the View, claim it's never okay for a man to hit a woman, and then get applause for it.

Downvotes-Inc • 6 points • 3 August, 2014 05:03 AM

Violence against women is a women's issue but violence against men isn't a men's issue? Sounds like feminist logic to me.

JabberJaahs • 9 points • 3 August, 2014 12:35 AM

Sounds like you maybe be the kind of feminist I've tried to raise my daughter's to be.

Strong, confident and most importantly reasonable and intelligent.

MockingDead • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:28 PM

Another person said "She's not a feminist"

I'd like you to check out this wikipedia article

And then, when you have time, this GWW video.

It will explain why many disagree that your daughter will be a feminist.

autowikibot • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:28 PM

No true Scotsman:

No true Scotsman is an informal fallacy, an *ad hoc* attempt to retain an unreasoned assertion. When faced with a counterexample to a universal claim ("no Scotsman would do such a thing"), rather than denying the counterexample or rejecting the original universal claim, this fallacy modifies the subject of the assertion to exclude the specific case or others like it by rhetoric, without reference to any specific objective rule ("no *true* Scotsman would do such a thing"), creating an implied tautology. It can also be used to create unnecessary requirements by adding "true" or "real" to the subject.

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JabberJaahs • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 09:58 PM

The Wikipedia link doesn't work. :(

MockingDead • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 02:46 AM

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/No_true_Scotsman

Weird, worked for em. Try the above. :)

autowikibot • 2 points • 4 August, 2014 02:47 AM

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[deleted] • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 06:34 AM

Still a feminist.... All a true to word feminist means is that you support total equality between genders. Feminazis are the ones that are the opposite of OP.

theskepticalidealist • 12 points • 3 August, 2014 09:55 AM

There is no defense that "feminism" should mean gender equality for the same reason "masculinism" couldn't be. Caucasianism to refer to anti-racism is also indefensible. The history of the feminist movement also shows they weren't for gender equality. What you have is a lot of people that don't understand the difference between gynocentrism and equality.

[deleted] • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 05:53 PM

He said, as he posted on a **men's rights subreddit**.

theskepticalidealist • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 06:05 PM

I would love to know what your point is.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 06:15 PM

Feminism historically is not partnered with gynocentrism, just the inclusion of women

in scholarly fields as womens rights became more common. Because, shocker, women were excluded from the academic world for centuries. Comparing it to "Caucasianism" makes no sense because historically, Caucasians were not underrepresented or repressed minorities, and did not need a whole movement to make themselves seem valid. To post on a gendered subreddit complaining about a gendered movement is pretty hypocritical.

theskepticalidealist • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 06:21 PM*

Feminism historically is not partnered with gynocentrism

Feminism **historically** was **always** gynocentric.

It was always only concerned with the needs of women, and feminist theory developed through these tinted lenses of gynocentrism. Its why they ended up with a theory where men as a group oppressed women as a group and didn't have a nuanced concept of society that was better than that. (*Oh you can show me attempts, but it all comes back to this*). It is why today you will find feminists so sure that the "patriarchy" gave us these female gender role stereotypes and that this is why women are more likely to get custody than men, so its the "patriarchy" that is at fault not feminisim that is to blame. When it was actually "patriarchy" that said MEN should get custody of the kids because HE was financially responsible for them and it was a feminist/s lobbying efforts that campaigned for women to get presumed custody with the Tender Years Doctrine. That probably only seems like a small crack in the wall to you, but its actually huge. Going by the feminist theory we have about gender roles, if it were true feminists are RIGHT to presume it was "patriarchy" that says women are better care givers and so they should get the children. The ways in which the reality is opposite to that is indicative of the flaws running throughout the feminist theory framework and mindset.

Feminisim as a word is necessarily gynocentric. Its linguistically so.

To post on a gendered subreddit complaining about a gendered movement is pretty hypocritical.

Uh no it isn't. You didnt read my post. Mens rights and "masculinism" isnt the same thing. I wouldnt defend the use of the word "masculinism" to be a word synonymous with egalitarian/gender equality either. It just doesn't make any sense and cannot be defended. "Womens rights" is also not the same thing as feminisim. I am for the rights of women, but I am against feminism. Why? Because feminisim is historically and linguistically gynocentric and is generally as bad as traditionalism is in terms of the stereotypical gender roles, they just don't want any restrictions on women. They are still more than happy to paint women as perpetual victims that need protection from bad men, which is just what traditionalism is about too, it just goes about it in a different way.

MockingDead • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 03:27 PM

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And then, when you have time, this GWW video.

Together, they will show why your comment will be downvoted for being NAFALT.

autowikibot • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:27 PM

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[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 06:05 PM

Do not ever talk about feminism here. There will never be a rational discussion about it. I fully support the Mens Rights Movement, but this subreddit is toxic to any discussion that is productive between genders. They fully believe they have the right to a gendered movement when it applies to **them**, but not for women.

theskepticalidealist • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 06:21 PM*

People here arent proposing "masclulism".

Apples to vegetables

Todd_Solondz • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:34 AM

It's clearly a mens issue. That's what an issue with human decency that only affects men is.

iongantas • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:33 PM

See, you've hit the nail on the head. The purpose of Men's Rights is to have "common decency" extended to men.

ghebert001 • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 01:03 AM

I think that's something that's greatly ignored and misunderstood by the "never hit a woman" crowd. Unless she's using a weapon, her fists won't cause much harm if any. The fact that someone you love and trust (speaking of domestic violence situations here) would hit you is a betrayal in a sense and will wound someone much deeper on an emotional level.

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Sharou • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 02:06 AM

Beyond that I think the notion that a woman can't hurt a man is ludicrous. I have a challenge for any woman who thinks they can't hurt a man physically: Go punch a man you love (spouse, brother, father, friend, whatever) right in the face as hard as you can. Oh, you don't want to do that? Oh gee, why's that? After all, he won't feel a thing, so it shouldn't be a problem right??

NateThomas1979 • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 02:00 AM

You make a lot of assumptions in your post. Couple of points:

The fact of women hitting may not be ignored or misunderstood. It could simply be justified wrongly.

A woman can most definitely hurt a guy without using a closed fist. Unless you think that every woman is a petite 75lb woman and every man is a 210lb male. And even then there is potential of being hurt.

ghebert001 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:24 AM

Do we all have to put the disclaimer on each and every one of our posts "exceptions to the rule may apply"?

NateThomas1979 • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 03:38 AM

I just don't think that there are so few of those to call them 'exceptions'. I know of at least 3 different women right now who can take on any man their size or bigger and I'd bet on them.

It's disabling and irresponsible to just infantilize women as incapable of injuring a man simply by their gender.

That was my point.

haiku_finder_bot • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 03:54 AM

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buittalast • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 05:11 AM

I had to leave my wife because not only would she hit me at times, she would be verbally abusive and manipulative. At its worst, she chased me down in her car while I was driving mine and hit me twice. I had to get a restraining order, so that first, she wouldn't kill me, and second, and I wouldn't be put into a situation where I would have to physically defend myself. Which we all know, would end up with me being the "aggressor" and me ending up in jail.

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Memyselvesomeotherguy • 12 points • 3 August, 2014 01:20 AM

We really do love our Lady MRA's, people will listen to you more. It's a great help.

RaxL • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:34 AM

What are "notes"?

beatbox_pantomime • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 01:40 AM

The upvotes/likes of Tumblr.

RaxL • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 01:45 AM

Thanks. I didn't realize so many people used Tumblr...

beatbox_pantomime • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 01:48 AM

I just recently started. It's a mess if you dig into it much, so I just keep it narrowed to my own wee scope of interests and it's tolerable.

thissaintright • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 10:09 AM

Thank you so much for posting this, it's a subject very close to me. I've had a woman pretty much emotionally destroy me through exactly what was written in your post and have a friend currently going through a bad situation. I've seen a lot of anti abuse posts but this post was written in such a way that really touched me.

ShinobiSmithy191 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 11:31 AM

Should have added Whoopie's "if you lay your hand on a man do not act surprised and play the victim if he hits you back" for added effect as we know there are women in the world who would play victim

newfers • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:05 PM

Thank you for that! Made me smile in the midst of a rather depressing morning.

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 01:33 PM

Attagirl.

mette777 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:50 PM

I think it is great you made this posting and it is a steep in the right directions, but I think men and women should start to make strategies on how to minimize the damage, that feminism and feminists have caused in society. Just an example, the feminists are always so f.... busy telling people, what products to buy or not, we could use these lists and start to boycott all feministic items and all the products, that they mention on their lists.

EvilAbed1 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 06:40 PM

<http://i.imgur.com/RPiC5E1.jpg>

rbrockway • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 02:49 AM

Whenever I hear people object to violence against women I wonder why they are being exclusive. I object to violence against everyone.

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 03:40 AM

In some countries, though, I see the reasons for mentioning specifically women. Women are still brutalized and have zero rights in some countries. But I'm in America, and in first world countries like this, it's much different. It still happens, yes, but, you can see how it's different. I'm talking about countries where women can't vote, aren't allowed to have an education, etc.

rbrockway • 2 points • 4 August, 2014 10:25 AM*

A lot of these issues are not as the mass media present them. In a lot of cases where it is claimed that

women have *zero rights* (or are the property of men, or can't own property, or whatever) it actually turns out that this is either an over-simplification of what is going on or the problem is over-stated.

I'm not saying that women don't have serious problems in some countries - I am saying that often the problems are framed in such a manner as to suggest that the women are very much worse off than the men. When you look at many of these cases it is often both the men and the women that are in a bad way.

For example, sexual slavery of women (a very serious problem) gets a lot of attention in the west. However other forms of slavery get far less attention. There is enormous demand for male slaves for manual labour. Recent disclosures (such as on the Thai fishing industry) suggest the problem of male labour slavery may be significantly under-reported.

I say we should try to help everyone who is in need, regardless of their gender.

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captainfantastyk • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:26 AM

Those people are like the redpillers of tumblr. Though some of their ideology is more mainstream and accepted due to the size and political power of the feminist movement.

I've been browsing the site for a month or two now. And nothing of this sort has popped up.

And personally, I don't mean to say that I'm against equal rights. But I've seen a lot of negative ideology that falls under the flag of feminism.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:57 PM

Tumblr; the only place where I do not feel privileged being a "straight white male".

us3rnamealreadytaken • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 02:27 AM

This thread tho

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:11 AM

Is tumblr made for girls or something?

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[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:31 AM

Whereas on Reddit if you aren't a heterosexual manly-man atheist white guy with a degree in Engineering then you can go fuck yourself.

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Only if you make posts about how you aren't like the other [non-atheists/non-straight/non-whites/women/non-STEM majors] and how the rest of them are all horrible people.

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Girl with a boyfriend and I agree!

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Same here...I can't imagine hitting my boyfriend. I once gave him a playful tap and it felt like it did it harder than I meant to, still feel guilty about it no matter how much he tells me he barely felt it....just the idea of hitting him is horrible.

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The point on this is still simpler: Why treat men and women differently? That's the definition of sexism.

AtomicBLB • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 03:42 AM

Just a thank you, men have feelings and the emotional pain from the abuse is much worse than the physical.

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 3 points • 3 August, 2014 03:45 AM

You are so, so welcome.

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captainfantastyk • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:30 AM

That's like saying redpillers aren't a problem because you don't see their posts on /r/all

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captainfantastyk • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 03:43 AM

Really? Thinking women shouldn't hit men and that SJW ideology is an existing problem makes me a misogynistic neckbeard?

Boy I thought it was the beard on my neck. And my lack of understanding proper social interactions. Along with my obvious hatred of women.

I'm glad we cleared that up.

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captainfantastyk • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 04:15 AM

And what would you expect them to do?

Due to people like you men's rights movements aren't exactly well received.

They're still fighting to be accepted as a legitimate movement with actual issues. And It's hard to discuss these issues when you're labelled by many as a hate group.

And as I've made clear earlier, just because you don't see something in popular media doesn't mean it isn't there.

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captainfantastyk • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:25 AM

Ok, if they're a misogynistic joke. then why don't you give me some examples?

And men's rights is gaining popularity. But what I'm saying is that when you have a large movement like feminism trying to stomp it out. There's not much it can do to earn a good name.

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captainfantastyk • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:38 AM

There's a difference between men controlling the world and the people in control being men.

And yes, I agree that some aspects of feminism are necessary. But to say that feminism isn't taking action against men's rights movements. And then stating yourself that you deem the movement unnecessary. It's a bit hypocritical.

And then what about the events at the university of Toronto a few years back where self declared feminists protested a lecture and eventually pulled a fire alarm. And that's just one of the obvious examples.

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gsettle • 2 points • 2 August, 2014 10:51 PM

It's good to hear some sanity being spoken out there.

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[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 06:03 PM

I personally would never hit a woman in my life. I was raised that way. If a woman tries to attack me, I will walk or run away. I don't really care if someone points at me laughing saying "look at him running away from a woman!" It's a lot better than someone pointing at me saying "that man went to prison and ruined his life because he abused a woman."

Ophites • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 03:22 AM*

It's true. I don't get why anyone would disagree.. if someone is threatening you physically, you don't give them the impression that it's acceptable by simply deflecting the blows or actually taking them. Instead you get up, you fucking push them back twice as hard to let them know you will not tolerate the abuse. From my experience that's the only way to deal with bullies. You speak to them in their own language when they are a direct threat. Once they are subdued, then you can talk about things. And talk is usually only possible after this happens with these types, because they are so wrapped up in themselves and need to be shown they cannot dominate you into submission. Only then MAYBE will you get some honesty out of them, while they are scared of you that is. The second they think they have power over you again, it will be right back to the same old habits.

higherprimate718 • 4 points • 3 August, 2014 02:53 AM

Jesus christ, who downvotes something like this?

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higherprimate718 • 5 points • 3 August, 2014 03:41 AM

three thousand of them though. Three thousand people who thinks its objectionable to say women shouldn't hit their boyfriends. What. The. Fuck.

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Atheist101 • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 05:54 AM

All sarcasm aside, reddit's algorithm automatically downvotes based on a percentage of how many upvotes you get to fuzz the numbers so that the up/downvote bots get thrown off.

[deleted] • -3 points • 3 August, 2014 04:05 AM

11 year old feminazis.

Atheist101 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:55 AM

Reddit's voting algorithm automatically downvotes all posts in order to fuzz the vote numbers to throw off up and downvoting bots. The number of votes you get is pretty much false because of that.

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I'm pretty sure angry feminazis went through here after hearing about this. If you go down the line, some people just saying thank you and stuff are being down voted. My theory? Angry feminist pressing the downvote button as they scroll down.

higherprimate718 • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 04:08 AM

where the self awareness at?

CelebornX • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 04:46 AM

Anyone who got tired of the "men can hit women if they start it but no one should hit anyone!!!" circlejerk on this fucking website.

But now there's a woman standing up for all us oppressed men so let's applaud her and upvote her! Maybe someday we can walk the streets without being attacked by a woman or being expected to open the door for someone.

Fuck, I could barely type that without crying my eyes out. It's so hard being a 20 something white middle class male in the US. There's probably no group of people in the world that have it worse than us. So we should really keep focusing on these issues that affect us like how it's ok to punch women if they punch you. This dialogue needs to keep being brought up daily on this website.

JELLY__FISTER • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:15 PM

How is DV not something that needs to be dealt with?

higherprimate718 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:15 AM

thats cool you are middle class and white dude.

AccretionDiskS • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 05:04 AM

People who realize she's done nothing; not wanting others to revel in the limelight of false optimism.

higherprimate718 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:15 AM

or dickheads like you, apparently

AccretionDiskS • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 05:22 AM

She is basically waving her tits around, saying she's great because they're large, but they're filled with someone else's silicone implants. She even linked to herself. Aren't there tropes dedicated to this exact behavior?

higherprimate718 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:24 AM

interesting. You are like an anti men's rights sexist? That's a rare breed.

AccretionDiskS • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:32 AM

What? Why am I sexist and against men's rights? I very much enjoy them. I added tits because dick would sound ridiculous.

I'm against her pulling the gullible into the idea she's created a massive victory for men everywhere because she posted a status update! I'm not against Israel, I'm against the idea that everything in Israel is fine because someone wrote a treaty draft.

She's done absolutely nothing yet and you pretend it's worthy of celebration! I'm getting too emotional I'll stop now and let this sink in.

cyborganism • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:15 AM

From a guy who has been in an abusive relationship, thank you.

Tako-Tsubo • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 05:42 AM

Beating men is funny. Male directed spousal abuse is hilarious; including both physical and verbal abuse.

Haven't you guys seen Everybody Loves Raymond?

Sir_Fancy_Pants • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:56 AM

I have seen that a few times and every time I end up asking myself "just what the hell is that guy getting out

of that relationship".

She literally brings nothing to the table just a bag of grumpy angry self entitled bitter moans and expectations, in reality anyone would just dump her immediately.

Osceola24 • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 06:08 AM

Yay!! As a man who put's up with his wife punching him in the face, Thank you!

JellySausage • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 06:12 AM

So brave, thank you op.

GreasedLightning • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:28 AM

Thank you and congratulations. I sympathize with men like this a lot, who get abused by their partners. I haven't had very many positively influencing women in my life, and when I do get in a relationship I find myself asking why I ended up with someone so horrible (Meanwhile my friends hound me to get into another).

I think people need to start viewing domestic violence on a case-by-case basis, and not use this fake idea that us men are stronger. Look around you. The nearest woman probably isn't much smaller or weaker than the nearest man.

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Or maybe people need to realize that some of "us men" would never stoop to the level of hitting a woman, and that some men are in relationships with women who are violent/mentally ill.

Mythandros • 1 point • 2 August, 2014 11:03 PM

Good post. Good message.

Thanks for fighting for equality.

thisismyMelody • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:04 AM

I love you. I'm always glad when someone is able to see that there's sometimes a bigger picture. I remember like a comedian once said "an ass kicking doesn't just fall out of the sky."

Hiphopotamus18 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:11 AM

Just want to say thank you for posting. No one....man or woman.....should be hit or abused and seemed empowered by it. Being a guy, I hate abusive men and yes I can take a slap from a woman, but the most suffering blow is to know the emotional one that the one who you love the most did that to you. So thank you OP for pointing that out.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:17 AM

Everyone on earth needs to see this

Liquid_Killer • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:38 AM

It doesn't stop at one hit. Man or woman. Subconsciously hitting someone and them not doing anything about says that it's acceptable to the abuser. Likely leading to further-escalated abuse.

Kinslayer2040 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:15 AM

If a any gender is trying to cause me physical harm, I will defend myself.

redgreenyellowblu • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:23 AM

It is crazy that your post got 100,000 notes. It is an excellent post, but still, that it is controversial in the least is mindblowing.

Glenn1990 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 10:06 AM

Are 'notes' good? I have no idea.

neilalexanderr • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 10:13 AM

'Notes' are basically likes, reblogs or responses.

Glenn1990 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 10:17 AM

I see.

werewolf2814 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:33 PM

Check out tumblr urself it is a good site and the app is even better. tumblr

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 12:41 PM

Sweet

vaggiepizza • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 01:03 PM

People shouldn't abuse people. It shouldn't be a men's rights, women's rights, etc issue. Humans shouldn't hit humans.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:15 PM

Abusers deserve no second chances. But abusers also need help, and keeping them firmly human in my mind helps me understand how to approach controlling/abusive people.

SpiceFox • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:15 PM

youre using elephant grey theme, i think??

also id reblog the shit out of that

werewolf2814 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:30 PM

I reblogged you dear.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 03:00 PM

But, but, but, OP, you didn't link to your tumblr or let it be known in the screenshot so I could go reblog this. :((I'm pretty sure the fact that I don't really know how to go find it proves I'm not much of a tumblrite though, just sort of token have one.)

TheOneAndOnlyTainted • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:02 PM

I did post in the comments when someone else asked!

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:43 PM

Oh! Yay, I'll dig harder. XD Thanks!

prodevel • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:37 PM

Many thanks.

ilovehockey8 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 04:38 PM

I love you?

AccretionDiskS • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:00 AM

Wait, are you bragging for attention? Isn't this exactly what the "SJW's" are doing, just creating hate instead? Are you capitalising on the "good" opinion? That's rhetorical, you are! Holy shit we're buying it up! This is an exciting insight into mindsets of groups and populations! This is what politicians do: nothing, but appearing they actually do! Go us!

Svri • 1 point • 2 August, 2014 10:59 PM

Thanks

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What's Tumblr?

captainfantastyk • 2 points • 3 August, 2014 03:13 AM

It's a blogging site in basic terms. But recently it's become known for it's SJW (social justice warrior) community.

And social justice may seem like a decent thing, but these people stand for stuff like "kill all white men" "cis gender males are evil" "thin privilege" and other stupid shit.

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Pneumovolcanosis • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:54 AM

What

I mean, link please?

JasonBourne939 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:34 AM

Thank you

FlamingOctopi • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 05:44 AM

I'd love to see some of the responses to this.

jordanmg23 • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 07:16 AM

I love this. I don't understand why everyone can't just respect each other and be friends. We all live together on the same planet. Why can't we all just get along and enjoy our lives. We all just need to cherish the time we have together on earth. There's no need for all this hate that goes on in the world today. Seeing conflicts like the ones in Gaza, Ukraine and Syria etc. absolutely disgust me. What's the point. Anyway, I'm really high right now, sorry for the rant.

[deleted] • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 12:08 PM

Should post this to twox and see how well that goes over with people there

freudianslip • 1 point • 7 November, 2014 12:59 AM

I think I love you.

SDSurferGr1 • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 02:15 AM

You could not have said that more perfectly!

brajpop • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 01:07 AM

Wish my wife could understand this

reid0 • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 03:57 AM

<http://hownottobeacrazybitch.com/2014/08/02/never-hit-a-man/>

thewire_greatestshow • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 04:28 AM

say that on tumblr and you're a hero. say that on ESPN and everybody loses their minds.

JELLY__FISTER • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 02:20 PM

Was the Ray Rice fiasco reciprocated violence?

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Wouldn't we all...

[deleted] • 1 point • 2 August, 2014 11:52 PM

Men have solidarity right until vagina starts flying, then it's every man for himself. That's why we are in this mess.

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We could easily have solidarity right now. And most men would find themselves in a better position. But they'd rather be a slave to their penis and let any average woman with a pulse control them. It's pathetic really.

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Thankfully, we have men's rights, TRP, MRA, and other people fighting the good fight.

Tech_Itch • 7 points • 3 August, 2014 01:15 AM

Thankfully, we have men's rights, TRP, MRA, and other people fighting the good fight.

What? How is TRP fighting any kind of "good fight"? Those people are toxic, and harmful to pretty much everyone, including themselves.

It seems that only gender can have solidarity at a time.

I don't believe that at all. Every action has a reaction, and feminism went too far in some respects, while doing plenty of good too on the way. But that will correct itself.

The vast majority of people will eventually come to realize that meting collective punishment on an entire gender based on past, current and potential future transgressions of some of its members isn't healthy. Whichever that gender happens to be.

[deleted] • -1 points • 3 August, 2014 02:56 AM

Hey look your typical anti-TRP comment.

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Men who wait for things to be given to them will never be who they want.

sampleexample1 • -2 points • 3 August, 2014 02:53 AM

Marry me!

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SarahJayneBritney • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 04:14 AM

Woman can be fucking nasty, my best friend does things like spill something or trip over and she's says like "fuck you Aiden you made me fucking do this" and she hits him sometimes and gets angry if he has friends that are girls and what not but she can have lots of boy friends you know, I find it really confusing as my boyfriend and I are very chill and don't care what the other one does we trust each other, it's not just men that are abusive, it's humans. Some people are just wankers. But that doesn't make all men or all woman wankers

From a girl that doesn't enjoy the hatred towards men

matthmobile • 0 points • 3 August, 2014 07:36 AM

Belittle is not a word. But as a guy, I appreciate your sympathy.

therapistiscrazy • 1 point • 3 August, 2014 08:24 PM

<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/belittle>

matthmobile • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 12:59 PM

Thanks for your reply, but this is part of a larger problem. The Merriam-Webster dictionary is designed to reflect the usage and grammar of the current times. I'm guessing since the word 'scofflaw' is also listed in the Merriam-Webster dictionary you think this must be a word. Then again, you would be deceived. In 1924, a prohibitionist named Delcevere King opened a public contest to make a word that described someone who did not observe the 18th amendment. The term 'scofflaw' was chosen. Anyway, I have learned that information along with the origin of the term 'belittle' in this great book titled, Bad English, by Ammon Shea. Shea writes, "It was coined in the early 1780s by Thomas Jefferson, shortly after the American Revolution; a time when there was a marked tendency on the part of some residents of the United Kingdom to cast aspersions at our country. Jefferson used the word (in the sense "to make small") in 'Notes on the State of Virginia', in response to what he thought were incorrect notions of American wildlife made by Georges-Louis Leclerc, the Comte de Buffon: "So far the Count de Buffon

has carried this new theory of the tendency of nature to belittle her productions on this side of the Atlantic."" Shortly after, our motherland across the ocean heard of Jefferson's error and they flipped shit. Shea closes the chapter on 'belittle' saying, "Today, needless to say, 'belittle' is in wide use on both sides of the Atlantic." So, I apologize for being a pest, this is not my space for such bickering.

therapistiscrazy • 1 point • 4 August, 2014 03:35 PM

No need to apologize. As long as you're not an asshole about it, other's opinions don't bother me.

The way I see it, language is always changing and always adapting, so even if it wasn't a "real" word at one time, it is now. That's how all words come about.

matthmobile • 2 points • 4 August, 2014 04:12 PM

Certainly so. I don't intend to be an asshole about it.

Yes, that's why I love this book. It shows you the other side to the English language. If you're interested in this sort of stuff, it's definitely worth a read.

LightningTurtle • 1 point • 11 August, 2014 10:54 PM

I'm confused - are you saying belittle isn't a word because someone deliberately invented it?

matthmobile • 2 points • 12 August, 2014 05:56 AM

Well, yeah, some words start out that way.