

Simon: Hello! What is the best thing about going to the gym?

Simon: This hardly ever happens, but when it does? Cooool.

Simon: What?

Simon: There are lots of possible combinations when it comes to the rowing machine settings, and I have my favourite. When I get on the machine and see someone used the same settings as me beforehand, I just think to myself 'You've agreed to my settings! A kindred spirit.'

Simon: A special feeling...

Simon: Yes...

Simon: Do you keep in touch with the people who use your preferred settings?

Simon: I don't know who they are!

Simon: I'm so sorry.

Simon: I could place a camera on the rowing machine...

Simon: No, that's almost certainly going to get you into serious trouble.

Simon: Yes of course. I wasn't thinking clearly. Staring at all the people who use the machine for hours sounds creepy, too.

Simon: You can't win, can you?

Simon: :(

Simon: Seen any more cool number plates?

Simon: I saw a VHJ numberplate, which is close-ish in a way at least to Eddie Van Halen. Van Halen Jeddie... Which SOUNDS like Van Halen Jedi/Jedi Van Halen.

Simon: I'm not sure what you mean...

Simon: I'm just saying I'd like to see a Jedi version of Van Halen...

Simon: Oh. Me too.

Simon: Right! I also saw an EUH numberplate - looks like EVH, but sounds more like eurgh. Disappointing. No actually, it doesn't really matter as I have seen EVH number plates before, as we all know.

Simon: Do you have an idea for your own band?

Simon: I have a band name for a group of people in a mental home at least...

Simon: What?

Simon: The Brave Little Sausages. Because we all know mental homes are filled with brave little sausages.

Simon: Agreed.

Simon: Have you had any funny misunderstandings when it comes to people names?

Simon: Yes, in the gym (again) I saw an old friend called 'Ross'. When he was in the reception area however, I heard him say 'Danielle'. I don't know why, hence the confusion. I was thinking 'all that time, I thought he was Ross, actually it's someone completely different!' In hindsight I think he must have been talking about someone else called Danielle, as Danielle is a girl's name. HOWEVER, it is very close to Daniel.

Simon: Probably Ross, then?

Simon: Yep.

Simon: And would you like to come up with a fun play on words?

Simon: Yes, when someone asks me if it's ok in the eyes of the law if they drive the speed limit, I apparently say it's illegal. Then the person doesn't drive the speed limit. THEN I say 'I didn't say it was illegal, I said it was a'legal, meaning legal.

Simon: Awesome. And have you seen any strange signs?

Simon: I saw an interesting sign that explained what all types of litter were, from plastic litter, cans, etc. However, there was one type of litter that didn't get an explanation, and annoyingly, it was the only one I didn't understand!

Simon: And that was?

Simon: Contaminated litter...

Simon: What's that?

Simon: I don't know! I'm hoping no one puts nuclear waste in the bin.

Simon: Why would they do that?

Simon: They work at the local nuclear plant.

Simon: And how far away is that?

Simon: A long way away...

Simon: Good. So don't worry about some kind of Homer Simpson character making you ill.

Simon: Thanks for the peace of mind. :)

Simon: Ok. Any humorous childhood anecdotes?

Simon: As a child, I saw a Japanese person speaking English poorly on TV, so he was subtitled. However, I could make out some words. As he was subtitled, I was thinking he was speaking Japanese. I was thinking 'you know what, I think I can learn this language. There are some words I don't understand, but actually I'm getting a lot of it already'.

Simon: No, no, it takes years to learn...

Simon: That's why I was so surprised.

Simon: And an earlier anecdote?

Simon: As an infant, just a part of me thought that the later the initial of your first name in the alphabet, the better person you are, which is why I was jealous of my friend Tom.

Simon: Who told you that?

Simon: I think I made it up out of boredom.

Simon: Ok. And any more recent misunderstandings?

Simon: I saw an advert about a special program where a famous TV chef would be eating human meat! Making things worse, he had a crazed smile on his face!... It was a hoax, but I thought it was real!

Simon: Three exclamation marks?

Simon: That's how surprised I was!

Simon: But it was definitely a hoax?

Simon: Yep.

Simon: And any times where people misunderstand you?

Simon: Yes, very frequently. My dad genuinely can't believe I prefer rain over the sun. He's always like 'oh no, rain. sucks to be you.' Well that's what he implies anyway.

Simon: And how's your sleep?

Simon: As explained I've been sleeping on my back recently so I don't dribble

everywhere. Damn medication makes me! Sleeping in such a way does get easier over time, but for a treat, I sometimes like to sleep for a few minutes on my side.

Simon: Super jealous.

Simon: You should be. Few people experiment with sleeping positions as much as me. You name it, I've slept like it. After all these years, I think I've found the very best way to sleep.

Simon: Whoops, I forgot to mention after the apparent cannibal: Seen any more strange TV?

Simon: I thought I saw a very strange program advertised on an online TV guide. It said 'Britain's Busiest...' and that's all. I was expecting the rest to say ... 'roads', which sounds like an unbelievably dull program, but I was thinking that because I do watch a lot of traffic cop shows. Actually the program was called 'Britain's Busiest Mountain'.

Simon: If a road was really busy it would just be miles and miles of stationary traffic...

Simon: As I said, a dull program.

Simon: Have you seen any strange signs on vans?

Simon: I THINK I saw a van saying something like 'this vehicle should not go over 70 mph' but that's the speed limit anyway.

Simon: Extra clarity.

Simon: I guess.

Simon: And to finish things, do you have an interesting observation?

Simon: Yes, why is it that if you take a perfectly reasonable person and shave his hair off, suddenly he looks scary?

Simon: ... and if you grow someone's hair, they suddenly look like a tree hugging hippie?

Simon: Yes, what is about long hair and loving trees, and no hair and starting fights?

Simon: Think?

Simon: Ok... Hm... Cold air on the brain triggers the body's fight or flight response, and warm air makes people feel snug and contented?

Simon: Oh maybe...

Simon: I'm not sure, though.

Simon: Finish then?

Simon: Yes, byeeeee.