Simon: Hello! What do you think of Bermuda's flag?

Simon: I'm wondering why it has a picture of a sinking ship on it.

Simon: What do you mean?

Simon: Doesn't that sound inappropriate to you?

Simon: Why?...

Simon: It's just that the Bermuda Triangle is known for ships and planes disappearing. How would people feel if the English flag had a knife on it?

Simon: Because of knife crime?

Simon: Right. Why not celebrate curry instead? England is known for its curries...

Simon: Interesting...

Simon: I think the English flag should be scrapped entirely and replaced with a plate with vindaloo on it. I mean, if there is a British song called 'Vindaloo' the food must be pretty awesome and popular. Especially as the song is about football, I mean how is football and vindaloo related? It makes you wonder what else is related to the food. Probably everything.

Simon: Agreed. So what should the Bermuda flag be?

Simon: Well, the current Bermuda flag also has a Union Jack on it. If they like England so much, why not replace the flag with a curry as well?

Simon: But then the flags would be the same...

Simon: Fine, the Bermuda flag could be a plate with vindaloo on it and there could be a beach in the background.

Simon: Because Bermuda is known for beaches?

Simon: There you go.

Simon: Seen any weird news?

Simon: I read a policeman talking about a troll and he said 'the message was abusive but not offensive'. I can't for the life of me work out what that means.

Simon: Yep. Fair enough.

Simon: I mean I've just Googled the definition of 'abusive' and it says 'extremely offensive and insulting'! EXTREMELY offensive, not just offensive!

Simon: :O

Simon: I've put the word 'offensive' into an online thesaurus, and guess what?

Simon: What?

Simon: 'Abusive' came up.

Simon: It seems to me both words mean pretty much the same thing.

Simon: Exactly my point.

Simon: It sounds so obvious.

Simon: Again, exactly my point. That policeman was a noob.

Simon: And seen any weird adverts?

Simon: I saw an advert saying 'Watch your speed, everyone else does.' EVERYONE else does? That implies only one person in the UK doesn't watch his speed. If that's the case, why go to the trouble of making a whole advert about him? Why not contact him by letter?

Simon: Very embarrassing.

Simon: I know! If someone made an advert about me speeding that millions of people would see multiple times, I'd be mortified.

Simon: Do you speed?

Simon: Nope.

Simon: Great save.

Simon: Thanks.

Simon: If you were to commit a crime what do you think it would be?

Simon: I don't know. Forgetting to pay my taxes?

Simon: I can see how there would only be one person in the UK who would do that.

Simon: An advert about me not paying my taxes? I'd be SO embarrassed.

Simon: Ok. Seen any funny Youtube subtitles?

Simon: A man said 'this is sad', but the subs said 'that's a radish', which I think could catch on.

Simon: What, like 'since my cat died, that's a radish'?

Simon: There you go!

Simon: A bit random, though...

Simon: Oh, I wouldn't worry about that. Almost all slang is random.

Simon: Fair point. Have you come up with a new kind of palindrome?

Simon: Sort of. I call it a pseudo palindrome.

Simon: Can I have an example?

Simon: 15:11:15.

Simon: Oh yeah. Not quite a true palindrome.

Simon: Exactly. But still a noteworthy number, I think.

Simon: Good. Now let's not mention them again.

Simon: I've also thought of a number called a 'palindrome substitute' AKA 'a super repeating number'...

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Simon: Go on then.

Simon: 15:15:15.

Simon: You've pointed out on numerous occasions how hot weather is linked to crime. Do you stand by those thoughts?

Simon: Yep. The world is experiencing global warming and guess what?

Simon: What?

Simon: Crime is going up.

Simon: Oh my God, you're right.

Simon: Would it impress you even more if I said I was smarter than Einstein?

Simon: I see...

Simon: I'm just saying Einstein said 'the definition of insanity is repeating the same thing and getting different results.' I know for a fact that's wrong. Insanity means paranoid delusional thinking, such as the government is after you.

Simon: :O And to balance things out, have you done or thought anything stupid?

Simon: I finally Googled what 'return to sender' means when posting a letter. I thought it was very strange why someone would want to post a letter to himself.

Actually the phrase means 'return to sender IF the mail is undeliverable.'

Simon: In your defence, the phrase isn't clear.

Simon: Yes! Exactly!

Simon: And do you have an inspiring story?

Simon: Not really, but I can come damn close. So, when I was in year 3, a teacher explained how many people gave up on the after school I.T. lessons because they were really boring, BUT he also explained how the later lessons would be a lot more fun. I put my hand up with enthusiasm and the teacher was expecting me to say something like how the rewards were there. I explained how I also thought the first lesson was incredibly boring AND that I didn't bother going to any more. Unsurprisingly the teacher was like 'er... ok.'

Simon: THAT'S inspiring.

Simon: I actually saw the same teacher outside of the local gym not too long ago. Interestingly he didn't look at me like I was a complete idiot like some of my other later teachers did. The others seemed to have the attitude that I was a nobody/not a real person, but they never actually said it, so I couldn't do anything.

Simon: You'd think the I.T. person would have thought you were a moron...

Simon: That was about 27 years ago, I guess he's over it now. I'd be concerned if he wasn't over it.

Simon: Ok. And have you seen anything trippy?

Simon: I think it's weird watching TV characters who are younger than you getting older as the years go by, yet they still look young when compared to you. It's like they stay young forever. It's very strange.

Simon: Eternal youth!

Simon: Yes. Unless they eventually die of old age which would be confusing.

Simon: Agreed.

Simon: Ok, that's my list of ideas exhausted. The following material may seem a little desperate...

Simon: Please try.

Simon: Well... I've recently eaten a creamy peanut butter Snickers. It was very good. I've had three now.

Simon: Three in the same day?

Simon: No, three over a week or so. BUT you do get bites of three in a bar, so I've had three in the same day in a way!

Simon: You've had how many Snickers bites all together?

Simon: 3 times 3 which is 9! Great maths!

Simon: Fine maths indeed.

Simon: I know right? If I ever wanted to feel superior to a toddler, that's how I'd do it. Get them that way.

Simon: Some toddlers are very smart...

Simon: A baby then.

Simon: Do you have low self esteem?

Simon: No...

Simon: It's just... y'know... trying to impress a baby? You're not feeling low?

Simon: No...

Simon: So nothing bad has happened to you recently?

Simon: Maybe it had an effect on me when I looked on an online calendar on Tuesday the 14th to find out what day the following Tuesday was...

Simon: You couldn't work out how to add 7 to the date?

Simon: I just wanted to check.

Simon: Still though...

Simon: Again, I wanted to be sure. I haven't done any real maths sine I was about 16. Go easy on me.

Simon: Do you have an usually small brain?

Simon: No.

Simon: So when you shake your head, you feel nothing rattling?

Simon: How dare you.

Simon: You genuinely feel no movement at all?

Simon: None at all.

Simon: There must be a tiny bit of movement.

Simon: None.

Simon: Maybe there is, you're just used to it. It's like wearing glasses, you forget

they're there. I'm just saying 7 is a particularly small number.

Simon: God, I said I wanted to be sure now drop it!!

Simon: Maybe it's a sign of OCD. :)

Simon: Yes, exactly!

Simon: 3 times 8. Go!

Simon: 25!

Simon: Simon, how the (expletive) could it possibly be 25?

Simon: 24!

Simon: Not bad, not bad. Now be honest, did you get help?

Simon: Nope.

Simon: Ok.

Simon: Look if you're that curious, I was thinking maybe 7 days after the 14th could be the 22nd. Because y'know... Maybe you don't count the day you're already on.

Simon: Who told you that?

Simon: My idea.

Simon: I see. Well, maybe you should stick to writing about stuff you're confident

about.

Simon: My maths ideas?

Simon: No...

Simon: My science ideas?

Simon: What are they?

Simon: The sun is a very bright, but tiny balloon.

Simon: I've never heard that idea before.

Simon: Well it's my idea isn't it?

Simon: Why a balloon?

Simon: Same shape.

Simon: And that's your only reasoning?

Simon: Can you think of another spherical object?

Simon: You are joking?

Simon: Can you?

Simon: A football!

Simon: The sun is either a balloon or a football.

Simon: Dear God this subject is worse than your maths!

Simon: I haven't done any science since 15.

Simon: That's your excuse for everything, isn't it? You need to face what you really

are!

Simon: And what's that?

Simon: A moron, just write your stories. You're good at those. Lots of explosions, lots of action. I'm not saying they made sense, but that doesn't matter. But maths not

making sense DOES MATTER. Do you see?

Simon: I guess.

Simon: That's something.

Simon: I thought my balloon idea was pretty good...

Simon: Well it wasn't. It was terrible.

Simon: :(

Simon: Interview over then?

Simon: :(