

Simon: Hello! What have you been up to?

Simon: Not a lot. Been watching some Youtube videos...

Simon: Good?

Simon: Not bad. I've been watching some Age of Empires (a strategy war game) vids, where the maker puts two armies against each other, to see who wins.

Simon: And?

Simon: I was thinking of making a similar video where one soldier goes up against 1,000. What a badass.

Simon: I think that's a waste of time, personally.

Simon: Yeah, me too actually. There was this one video that described the 10 types of AoE players or whatever, and one of them was the troll who gives the enemy their sheep. I thought it was just me that did that.

Simon: Darn.

Simon: Exactly.

Simon: When did you do that?

Simon: When I was about 14.

Simon: So you've matured, since then?

Simon: Ummmm...

Simon: I'll take that as a no. Would you like to redeem yourself by saying something wise?

Simon: Ever heard of involuntary manslaughter?

Simon: Yes...

Simon: I thought all manslaughter was involuntary...

Simon: Awesome. And maybe you'd like to undeem yourself?

Simon: The other day, I bought a Robocop DVD and when I put it on, I was thinking to myself 'This film really isn't how I remembered it.' When I finished watching it and put the DVD back in its case, I noticed it was the wrong film. Not a COMPLETELY different film, that would be nuts, it was a sequel.

Simon: I guess that's something.

Simon: Well, I hadn't watched the film in years, so.

Simon: How many?

Simon: 20?

Simon: That's not so bad,

Simon: Right, right. And when I watched it all that time ago, I wasn't really paying too much attention. I was just kind of thinking 'Cool looking robots'.

Simon: There you go, then.

Simon: Any thoughts on any other films?

Simon: I bought a film called 'Half Nelson' from a charity shop and read good things about it. However, all that happens is a student falls out with a teacher because the latter has a drug habit, then they like each other again.

Simon: Is that all? Are you sure you were paying attention?

Simon: I was paying enough attention. Maybe 70%. Subtitles helped, because of the loud chomping noises. I was eating pizza at the time.

Simon: I'd stay away from movie reviewing if I was you.

Simon: I was also drinking. (Creating slurping noises).

Simon: You're not making yourself look better...

Simon: Sure I am. It's multitasking,

Simon: How's your music reviewing going for the-independent-voice.org?

Simon: Not TOO bad, but I did narrowly miss a complete disaster.

Simon: Go on...

Simon: I almost said an evil sounding black metal band sounded like children's music...

Simon: Er...

Simon: I know! What I meant, and thank God, what I said in the end, was that the band wasn't quite as dark as many of their contemporaries. Don't worry, I know exactly how different that comment is.

Simon: Dear God... The confusion you would have caused...

Simon: I can't stop thinking about it. It's like a mild form of PTSD. In another review I

contradicted myself by saying there were a number of styles the band uses, then I say it only has two - fast and slow.

Simon: How do you explain that?

Simon: To be fair, the fusions of styles were fairly similar to each other. Hardcore punk guitar riffs have strong similarities to thrash metal ones, for example. That's genuinely what I meant, honestly. I was trying to be subtle. I later corrected myself, but I don't think the website updated, so it seems that was pointless.

Simon: Do you have any anecdotes about Yngwie Malmsteen?

Simon: Yep, when I was about 14 I was listening to his song 'War To End All Wars' on my portable CD player. I was with my dad in a car. I knew the song had the lyric 'You (expletive) clown' in it, so I decided to turn my player down, just in case my dad heard. Unfortunately however, I actually turned my CD player UP, so all my dad heard was those upsetting lyrics. I think my dad took it personally. To say the drive was awkward would be a huge understatement.

Simon: :S Do you have any more ideas for your character James?

Simon: I do have some ideas, but they are maybe a bit too crazy, so I don't think I'll ever elaborate on them.

Simon: Oh God.

Simon: One of them is where James is a news reporter in a jail. He interviews a prisoner and asks him why he's locked up. The prisoner goes 'I stabbed someone for insulting my gang.' Then James would go 'And what's your gang called?' The prisoner replies by saying 'The Hardcore 15' or whatever gangs call themselves. Then James goes 'The Hardcore 15? I hear they're a bunch of twats.'

Simon: That is pretty crazy...

Simon: Later on, James goes into gang territory and sunbathes in a foldable chair. So... What do you think?

Simon: I'm not sure to be honest. I guess it's not a huge surprise from someone like him, but it's still weird.

Simon: That's what I thought.

Simon: Anything else to say?

Simon: Just who does Max Verstappen think he is?

Simon: An excellent point. Lewis Hamilton is obviously best.

Simon: Finally, we agree on something! Even if we're milking old material. (I just feel strongly about it).

Simon: :O

Simon: Now you're in such a state, would you like to call me Simon the King of Everything?

Simon: No.

Simon: Bye.