

Simon: Hello!

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Simon: Hello. What's today's discussion?

Simon: Maps!

Simon: Go on...

Simon: Apparently there are several maps of the Earth that are all different, because making a 2D representation of a spherical object isn't really possible...

Simon: I heard about that...

Simon: Right. That may be the case, but why not just take a globe with you instead? Is that so difficult? I mean making boats with engines, radars and all sorts of high technology surely was the hard part. I'm imagining the sailors/designers saying '... Now how the HELL do we make a globe??'

Simon: I have a theory...

Simon: Yes?

Simon: You know how pirates are famous for having only one eye?

Simon: Right?

Simon: Well people with one eye can't see in 3D. Maybe that's why they need 2D maps.

Simon: I thought people with one eye can see in 3D, they just can't judge distances. Try covering one of your eyes.

Simon: Oh yeah. You were right.

Simon: And not all pirates had one eye, and not all sailors are pirates. Sailors on cruise ships are definitely not pirates. Try building up trust with your customers if the staff keep talking about stealing other people's gold.

Simon: Of course, of course. I feel stupid now. Pirates were known for being murderous, too. You don't want to be on a cruise with killers.

Simon: So what's the problem with globes?

Simon: You can't fold them up?

Simon: Big deal. Rather have something that's awkward to carry than go around thinking the UK is bigger than Russia.

Simon: Are some maps really that bad?

Simon: I was exaggerating.

Simon: Oh.

Simon: Not completely, though.

Simon: Ah. Anything else on your mind?

Simon: I think my hair is longer than it's ever been in my life, right now. I can even get my hair to touch my eye. Fortunately my hair curls round or I'd be permanently blinded.

Simon: Does your hair touching your peepers have any practical uses?

Simon: I hope so.

Simon: Like what?

Simon: Ok, my eyes don't really need to be warm (I think), but in cold weather, having a warm forehead can be beneficial.

Simon: You don't want a cold brain.

Simon: No, you don't want a cold brain. Cold brains cause cold thoughts. Which is why Vikings came from Scandinavia.

Simon: But most of the people in Scandinavia aren't Vikings, anymore.

Simon: Most people can afford proper heating, now.

Simon: So if their heating fails, they start pillaging villages?

Simon: That's what I believe.

Simon: You're implying your hair makes you significantly warmer?

Simon: Right. And if it didn't, I'd pillage a village too.

Simon: That doesn't sound like you... How do you act in Winter even without heating or long hair?

Simon: The same, I guess.

Simon: Ah. Defeated by logic.

Simon: You got me.

Simon: So you're taking back all that wacky stuff about Vikings?

Simon: Ummm...

Simon: I really think you should. Many people would actually consider it offensive.

Simon: Fine. I take it back.

Simon: Say it didn't make sense.

Simon: It didn't make sense.

Simon: Dare I ask what your most outrageous theories are?

Simon: Did you know that loud crunching sounds made when you eat are actually mini sonic booms, created by the food crushing so quickly?

Simon: Yes, I heard about that. And?

Simon: If your jaw can break the sound barrier, who's to say with practice, people couldn't run faster than the speed of sound when their mouths move up and down?

Simon: Faster than the speed of sound through their jaws?

Simon: Right!

Simon: And how would that work?

Simon: As I said, people just open and shut their mouths super quickly.

Simon: But you don't travel with your jaw.

Simon: Fair enough. Maybe if people SWAM by chomping down on the water at lightning speed over and over, that could generate motion. Just like flapping your arms and legs in the water does.

Simon: That's just weird.

Simon: I don't think so. They'd go like rockets.

Simon: What if they end up drinking the whole swimming pool?

Simon: I'm not saying it would be easy, but with practice...

Simon: You're mad.

Simon: Let me make an analogy.

Simon: Ok...

Simon: Would you believe someone could play Flight of the Bumblebee at 750 bpm

on guitar? That's four notes a beat, making that roughly 50 notes a second?

Simon: I guess not...

Simon: Well it happened. It's on Youtube. He has his own special method, and swimmers could, too.

Simon: Dear God, I think you're right.

Simon: I bet you'd love watching the olympics, then.

Simon: I think everyone would.

Simon: If people stepping on foods could cause sonic booms, surely there must be a way to run faster than the speed of sound...

Simon: You're a genius!

Simon: I bet aviation companies are kicking themselves. They think they need massive thrusters burning huge amounts of fuel to go really fast!

Simon: Face palm!

Simon: Yeah!

Simon: Any more theories?

Simon: Well that was the one I'm most interested in, and the one I put the most effort into...

Simon: I can see why...

Simon: Did you know the whole of the internet weights the same as a strawberry?

Simon: I did know that.

Simon: Maybe the internet IS a strawberry.

Simon: You're implying the internet has been around for thousands of years in the form of a single fruit?

Simon: You think that's stupid?

Simon: That's mental.

Simon: I really thought I could win you over again...

Simon: You'll have to try bloody hard. Anything else on your mind, before I go?

Simon: I saw Monster by R.E.M. in a charity shop for the second time, now. I read an

article on the internet saying it often ended up in such places. Lolz.

Simon: Lolz.

Simon: Er... Bye!