

Simon: Hello, what's on your mind today?

Simon: Do you have any idea how bright my Mac screen is on its highest setting?

Simon: How bright?

Simon: Quite literally brighter than the sun, I've tested it. I wouldn't dare look at my screen like that, but what I did do was close my eyes whilst 'looking' and things went VERY bright red. Again, much more so than when I close my eyes and look in the direction of the sun. I was just thinking to myself '... why do you want to blind me when I'm a loyal customer?' My mobile phone company blinding me would make more sense, but not even they stoop so low.

Simon: Google why it's so bright?

Simon: 'To ensure visibility in challenging light conditions'...

Simon: Seems straightforward enough to me.

Simon: Come on, what's that mean? A situation where your computer is being outshined by a constant nuclear blast, maybe? That's the only situation I can think of. Wow, the end of the world is happening right now and all you care about is reading from your computer screen properly.

Simon: The internet just said your screen would be functional, that's all...

Simon: Well that's not a good argument. It's like saying 'we're going to make armour so strong, not even a nuclear blast would break it.' Wouldn't you just think to yourself 'Why is that necessary? What do you think is coming up?' Ok sure, in rare cases, maybe you'd want armour strong enough to survive a nuclear blast, but why is EVERYONE getting that option?

Simon: No wait, the secret services may need to use computers during a nuclear blast... Just in case. Most likely nothing to worry about at all...

Simon: Still seems weird. Again, I assume all Macs are made this way...

Simon: Fine, Google why your Mac wants to blind you if you want to act crazy?

Simon: It just says 'it sounds like you are experiencing significant eye strain'...

Simon: It's avoiding the question, isn't it?

Simon: Ex-actly! I asked if my Mac could outshine a nuclear blast and was told 'no' and that such blasts can blind people, but as explained by simple logic, my Mac can blind me too. The internet lied.

Simon: Apple is a spiteful company.

Simon: Right. What's really annoying me is I genuinely want to see my screen on its

highest setting just out of curiosity but I'm too scared.

Simon: How about if you turn the brightness up whilst looking at something else?
Then you could look at the screen from the corner of your eye and turn it back down.
Then you should be fine.

Simon: Oh, that's not a bad idea, actually...

Simon: Go well?

Simon: It wasn't as bright as I expected.

Simon: See? There you go then.

Simon: Maybe I should apologise... Sorry Apple for saying you were planning to blind me.

Simon: That wasn't a full apology, was it?

Simon: And sorry for saying they also planned for a nuclear apocalypse without telling anyone, meaning all the billions of people who wouldn't take shelter would die.

Simon: Wow.

Simon: To be fair though, I didn't actually say that's what the company were doing.

Simon: You just implied it?

Simon: Yes, talking about things that don't make sense, I remember someone from school saying the most random things at the most random times like 'I drink milk from a bag!' then he'd continue doing his work like nothing happened.

Simon: Maybe he did drink milk from a bag and felt the need to tell everyone?

Simon: Why?

Simon: The internet says it's cheaper and more eco-friendly...

Simon: But why boast about it?

Simon: He was doing the right thing...

Simon: And why at the time?

Simon: When was it?

Simon: During D.T. class...

Simon: Not food tech?

Simon: Nope.

Simon: A puzzler...

Simon: It's a long shot but bags are made of materials and you work with materials in D.T...

Simon: There you go.

Simon: Only the D.T. class was graphic design, so we're back to square one.

Simon: Did he draw bags?

Simon: You know what? He might have done.

Simon: Do you want to talk about something you're more confident about?

Simon: Some of Rammstein's lyrics are pretty deep, you should check them out...

Simon: Can you give an example?

Simon: Well not the part that just goes 'Fire frei!' (fire freely) or even worse 'Bang bang!', but yeah, other lyrics are pretty good...

Simon: Example?

Simon: You know what? Even in the bang bang song, the lyrics are pretty interesting at times. 'A shock of sparks in your lap, a hot scream'? A lesser band would say 'A gun has been fired!'

Simon: Those words were pretty good actually. But a little vague...

Simon: Not when combined with the bang bang lyrics...

Simon: No, if you had a shock of sparks in your lap and gave a hot scream, you could then say 'bang bang' when knocking on someone's door. Because you've just been electrocuted and are asking a neighbour for help... That's a completely different meaning to firing a cannon...

Simon: Well, if you want to interpret that song in that way, that is your choice as the listener. Your opinion would be WEIRD, but as long as you explain yourself properly it would be as valid as the next man's.

Simon: I feel so free...

Simon: I'm happy for you.

Simon: On second thoughts, I think the song is about dropping red hot, cooked sausages on your lap.

Simon: Go on...

Simon: A hot spark (another way of saying 'pain'), a hot scream (self-explanatory), bang, bang! (Sausages are called 'bangers'...)

Simon: Ok, but how do you explain the same song's lyrics that go 'Blamed are those who know pain, from fire that burns the skin, I shine a light in my face'?

Simon: Blamed are those who drop burning sausages on their lap (because it's dumb) 'fire that burns the skin' is also self-explanatory, and the guy shines a light in his face to 'see the light'. As in I realise what I've done is stupid, it's clear now.

Simon: And what about the words 'knighted are those who know pain'?

Simon: You get rewarded when you learn from your mistakes.

Simon: And you really think Rammstein sings about that?

Simon: My opinion is just as valid.

Simon: Well, what a different way to end this interview. Bye!

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