

Simon: Hello, have you got anything controversial to say?

Simon: Yes, of course it's good to have dwarves or indeed any minorities on TV, it helps create an inclusive society or at very least tries to, of course it does. Whenever I see dwarves on the tele for example I think that's a good thing. I would like to get something in return, I would love to see a schizophrenic have his own TV show (preferably non-medicated), but sadly we haven't got there, yet. However, things can go too far. What if ONLY dwarves were allowed on TV? Wouldn't that be weird?

Simon: It would be weird, but crucially I wouldn't be angry...

Simon: Right, me neither. If anything I'd be happy for them, but I would have questions. Why dwarves? Why so many so soon? Etc.

Simon: How would they host the world's tallest man contest?

Simon: I don't know. Then again, what's the point of having such a contest? Wouldn't it be easy to work out who the winner is? They wouldn't have to play any games or take part in any challenges, they'd just have to stand by a tape measurer... Also, the host wouldn't need to be tall, just the contestants.

Simon: Oh yeah. No wait, sure the hosts don't have to be tall, but you talked about a situation where only dwarves were allowed on TV, meaning tall contestants wouldn't be allowed. How would that work?

Simon: I guess people would have to use their imagination.

Simon: Sounds like a rubbish TV show, to me...

Simon: Yep, fair point. Fancy a show too cheap to use special effects and then telling the audience to use their imagination.

Simon: It would save those behind Doctor Who a lot of money, but I agree with you. Google what would happen if only dwarves were allowed on TV...

Simon: 'If television were restricted to only people with dwarfism, it would trigger a massive shift in cultural narratives, industry economics, and social perception.'

Simon: I think the media should give the idea a go...

Simon: It sounds beautiful, doesn't it? A.I. actually gave me a short essay on the matter, the only real downside of the hypothetical situation being some people would feel angry and excluded.

Simon: It makes you wonder how A.I. knows that...

Simon: Maybe there was a weird experiment.

Simon: Why?

Simon: Just in case it ever happened?

Simon: How?

Simon: Well you went along with the idea...

Simon: You're blaming me for that mess of a situation??

Simon: You said it would be good!

Simon: Partially good. In hindsight, maybe a bit of a mess....

Simon: Ok.

Simon: Would you like to change the subject?

Simon: Yes, I sometimes watch videos by slightly questionable presenters, but only out of intellectual curiosity, not malice or anything. Judging by my search history, you could assume I'm an absolutely awful person, really I just want to know what's going on in the world and how some people think. :) I mean, say I didn't realise some people are angry for various reasons. I could approach a dangerous looking person, say '(expletive) off' and presume everything would be fine. Of course it wouldn't.

Simon: Thanks for clearing that up. Have you considered saying that to someone?

Simon: Sometimes I'm in a bad mood.

Simon: And that's ok?

Simon: Well, as a therapist would say, it's not an excuse but it is an explanation.

Simon: I get the feeling you'd request a therapist just so you can get someone to justify your unacceptable behaviour...

Simon: Haha, nooo...

Simon: It's true, isn't it?

Simon: Ok you're right, it would be amazing.

Simon: What else would be amazing?

Simon: People are obsessed with the idea of inventing a word that rhymes with 'orange'. 'Borange' is a strong contender, but as of yet it hasn't been given a universally accepted meaning. I was thinking, why not invent another word that ends with 'mt'? We only have 'dreamt'? How is that ok?

Simon: Gremt?

Simon: Sounds good to me...

Simon: Would you like to come up with a meaning for the new word?

Simon: I think it should mean 'awesome!'

Simon: 'That Simon is really gremt!'

Simon: Thanks.

Simon: Although his views on dwarves are strange...

Simon: I just think dwarves are gremt!

Simon: So much so, you've dreamt about them?

Simon: There's definitely a rhyme in there somewhere, isn't there? Maybe even a full blown poem...

Simon: Maybe you could write a haiku?

Simon: Sure. The dwarf was so gremt. It was the best dream I dreamt. Of the dwarf, I meant.

Simon: There may be some people out there who feel like you're making fun of dwarves...

Simon: Fair point, saying I have fantastic dreams about dwarves may sound disrespectful, actually I want the opposite effect!

Simon: Oh good.

Simon: I'm wondering what else to talk about now, to be honest...

Simon: What's on your mind?

Simon: Dwarves.

Simon: Ok.

Simon: I was a dwarf once, so I have the right to talk about them.

Simon: And when were you a dwarf?

Simon: As a 7 year old.

Simon: Did you have surgery to help with your condition?

Simon: I just grew out of it.

Simon: Ok.

Simon: As I pointed out a while ago, shorter people make better fighter pilots than tall people... At the end of the day, I never really needed surgery! :)

Simon: Dwarves: The kings of the media and the skies.

Simon: As a 7 year old, I feel like I missed an opportunity to fly for my country...

Simon: A toddler to be feared...

Simon: Well, 7 is a little bit older than a toddler, but I know what you mean.

Simon: Well, according to the theory, toddlers should be even better at flying jet fighters than 7 year olds...

Simon: Oh yeah. Babies can't fly planes, can they?

Simon: Even if they could, it would be seriously messed up sending them to war...

Simon: Of course.

Simon: Is that all you have on your mind, today?

Simon: Yep. Hopefully it won't be too controversial!

Simon: You did mean well...

Simon: Exactly!

Simon: Bye.