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How to Handle Stupid Questions

Have you ever been asked that age-old stupid question about Rocky Horror? You know, the one that goes something like "Do you still go to that Rocky Horror Picture Show? Still?" For those of us who chose to frequent the RHPS quite regularly, this question has and may still prove to be somewhat annoying - UNLESS you know how to handle it.

Bear in mind, as with anyone being antagonistic to you, where this person asking that question is coming from. Put your own annoyance aside for just a moment, and examine the specimen in front of you. Ask "Why is this person trying to make me feel weird-stupid-inferior-ect for regularly going to the RHPS?" Now, instead of feeling anything negative - don't. Just THINK ABOUT THE PERSON ASKING.

If they are asking out of genuine curiosity, which is possible, they won't have that certain "tone" or "twist" to their voice. In such a case, you probabaly won't feel defensive and you'll just be comfortable telling them about the outstanding virtues of attending our midnight madness.

But, if their voice does contain that charming little "twist" to it, you must consider the source and the motivation. An enemy is an enemy, 'nuff said. Go tell them to do something bad to themselves. That's easy.

But what about someone who "cares" about you, or who is a "friend"? Sorry, but you must ask yourself if someone who "cares" about you would want you to feel stupid for going to the show. And if you excuse them because you think they don't realize they bug you when they ask that in a "twist" voice, you should

remember that people who "care" about you care enough to think about not saying things that bug you. No?

Should you manage to arrest your emotions and see the situation for what it really is rather than what it was meant to be, you've got to act the best way you can. Don't forget that while you've been examining the situation and figuring out what's really going on here, you've still got this jerk standing in front of you waiting for a response.

Well, give them one. Like I stated earlier do whatever you do best. Some of you are clever. Some of you are peircing. Some of you like to give strange looks. Some of you may be unstimulated at this point and just ... walk away. Whatever. I personally like to give people what they want because it solves everything. "I go because I'm simple and undeveloped. I wish I could be more substancial a person, like yourself, and spend my time in more meaningfull persuits, like you do all the time. But, darn it, I'm too limited a person and so I just go to Rocky Horror every week." If you properly don't give a shit what they think anymore, and you give them what they want or tell them what they want to hear, they will either beleave any crap you tell them because they are so full of themselves and go away happy or they will see right thru your bullshit and get pissed and still ... go away. Either way, you can't lose. They are gone and you, dear friend, go on. Trust me.

Now, for those of you who think we're being too defensive-touchy-cynical-picky about this one little question - noooooo problem. We are having fun without hurting anyone including ourselves. That's fullfilling a great purpose in our lives. For those of you with greater purposes and who need to express those purposes, keep them to yourself (and suffer!). You can still be near us, and care about us too. Just don't ask us any stupid questions.

LAST WEEK

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