
Subject: Re: When someone makes you SO ANGRY....
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Well, I'd like to say that I'd just walk away if possible... but truthfully, I'm a bit passive/aggressive and sometimes I just need the satisfaction of showing the asshole up and getting away with it. I should probably mention that while I am easily annoyed and am touchy about a lot of things, I do not ever get violent; I'll take free hits (and have) rather than get physical. There are very few things a person could do to make me get violent, and all of them are felonies. Just so nobody says "you shouldn't start fights." A serving of Humble Pie to the face never hurt anyone.

My response to someone who's really pissing me off badly is to determine what will make them really flip their shit and do exactly that. Quietly and calmly. I've gotten really good at it, and can usually work it so they wind up looking like a complete and total jackass in front of everybody nearby, while I get off looking like the reasonable one even if I was in the wrong to begin with. They go home smoking out the ears, and I go home with a massive fucking smile on my face.

That worked with my sister for years... she pretty much taught me how to make it work (though I doubt she meant to). Every time she got angry with me about something, I'd make sure to feed her a few lines that I knew would get her going when I knew that Mom and Dad were too far away to hear me (but conveniently close enough to hear her yelling). My parents would, predictably, respond to find their eldest child throwing a massive temper tantrum over some stupid little thing, and I'd win the argument by default because I'd never once raised my voice. If she said "he said I was a" or something to that effect, it would look like she was desperate to shift the blame and she'd get in even deeper trouble. I'm pretty sure Dad at least eventually figured out what I was doing, but her reactions were so out of proportion that I never got reprimanded for it.

So... yeah. Remember that the one who yells first and loudest is always wrong, and do your best to goad whoever is pissing you off into being loud and obnoxious about it. Just be sure you don't do it to someone who you think might become violent, keeping in mind that all you're really doing is pissing gasoline into the fire. It is mightily satisfying, though, and it works most of the time against most garden variety assholes (and older siblings).

*edit: It works online, too, and without the risk of somebody punching you in the face. Trolling against trolls; immensely satisfying.

But if you really want an internet bully to shut the hell up, give them what they're asking for. If they say "I'd kick your ass in real life," give them directions to somewhere they can meet you (not a mailing address, because that will end badly for you). I've done this, and it shuts them down with force. The smart ones figure out that either: (A. you're a scary fucker IRL who really could make them sorry they've been born, or (B. You won't show up or know they won't show up anyway, ergo you don't care about their stupid threats. The dumb ones might actually show up and blast you for being a coward, but since you never meant to meet them anyway you can laugh at them for being such a gullible dolt (everybody else will laugh at them too).
