

# Flamers' Cookbook



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**"WHEN YOU REALLY NEED TO CUT SOMEONE DOWN"**

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# The Purpose and Benefit of Flaming

Don't take their f---ing sh-t. Preempt that b-tch.

## Getting Started

First, determine who should be flamed. This could be anyone who sucks more than you. Next, establish how little respect you have for your opponent and how much time you can spend flaming. These factors will help determine the scale of your flame and how frequently you should stoke the fire.

Also consider where you want to post your Flame. You can post it on a forum, blog, or MySpace page. When choosing your medium, you should consider the desired size of the audience and be sure to post anonymously or under an alias.



Before you post your flame, consider how you will seal the victory. The method you choose depends upon your target, their incompetence, and your skills. For example, if your target is a helpless newb, you might choose the most direct and brutal option: Deny their very existence. If they are a more formidable adversary, *always* make

things up, uncover conspiracies and insult the un-American idiot! When the ultimate in character assassination is required, look no further than the work of Guy Macon (see The Ultimate Flame).

## Making Things Up

“Thou clay-brained guts, thou knotty-pated fool, thou whoreson obscene greasy tallow-catch!” Henry IV

The truth can only carry you so far. Knowing how to make things up will allow you to win battles on even the most widely distributed listsevers. However, this method should not be taken lightly. Know the rules and don't be caught with your pants down.



- 1) Always make your lies sound true. If you are caught in a lie, you have lost.
- 2) Use facts to support your lie.
- 3) Believe that it is true.
- 4) Begin your arguments with the words “Actually,” “Clearly,” “Certainly,” or “Apropos,”
- 5) Quote Shakespeare
- 6) Tell them how smart you are.

***“Actually, I won't go away. I have also asked the SEC to investigate your site and stock manipulation. You are irresponsible and deserve to be sanctioned. I used so many capital letters because I'M SCREAMING AT YOU YOU MORON”***

## **Conspiracies A–Z**

Conspiracies can be an effective tool in a flammers' arsenal. Is everyone against you? Expose their treachery. Know your options:



- 1) Call them a communist, terrorist, or un-American
- 2) They must be working for the CIA, NSA or Chinese intelligence.
- 3) Mention Hitler or Nazis
- 4) Post pics of cats and other animals with stuff on their heads.

## **Always Insult**

When in doubt, insult them. There will come a time in every Flammers' life when all else has failed and you must resort to a few low blows to save the day. Here are a few to get you started:

If you were twice as smart, you'd still be stupid!

I'm looking forward to the pleasure of your company since I haven't had it yet!

Do you still love nature....despite what it did to you?

Dumbass!

Out of 100,000 sperm, you were the fastest?

Your momma is so fat it takes her two trips to haul ass!

You vacuous, toffee-nosed, malodorous pervert!

Up your butt with a coconut!

That idea and a nickel won't buy jack shit

You're a fuckwad!

## **Tell Them They're an Idiot**

Because they are!

## **Speak In French**

Throwing insults in different languages can also be very effective.  
French and Latin both work well.

“Tu es con!” – You’re an idiot!

“Fous le camps et morte!” – F-ck off and die!

“Vous êtes une pomme de terre avec le visage d'un cochon d'inde” -  
You are a potato with the face of a guinea pig!

## **Salt the Earth**

Salting the Earth is the most effective and ultimate way to completely and utterly pawn another flame warrior in a flame war. A good flame warrior will always Salt the Earth behind them.

The phrase comes from the Roman method of raking salt into the soil of Carthage, a destroyed city. The salt poisons the ground ensuring that nothing can ever grow there again.

In a similar manner, a flame warrior can destroy the character of another person to such a degree that they never show their face in that community again. Some excellent destructions have meant that the target could never again show their face in any public community. If they ever do resurface, the memory of that fateful pwn4g3 floods back and taunts them a second time without any input from you. This eventually forces your enemy into deleting their community accounts and possibly quitting the web forever!

## The Ultimate Flame

*This was [originally posted](#) on 1997/10/20 to [alt.os.linux](#), [alt.os.linux.slackware](#), [comp.os.linux](#), [comp.os.linux.hardware](#), and [comp.os.linux.setup](#).*

### Original Post

Newsgroups: [alt.os.linux](#), [alt.os.linux.slackware](#),  
[comp.os.linux](#), [comp.os.linux.hardware](#), [comp.os.linux.setup](#)  
From: [Guy Macon](#)  
Date: 1997/10/20  
Subject: Re: 500M swap space

In article  
<344AF8D4.372AE0C1@inter.NL.net>,  
H.Tetering@inter.NL.net wrote:

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>What the fuck do you need so much  
[[rape|RAM}} for? I believe it's not even
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>possible to have that much RAM, or maybe it
is, but then you must have a
>huge simm module of about 8GB RAM.
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>THIS IS CRAZY!!!! YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
F--K YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
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>Fool!
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Response from Guy Macon:

You swine. You vulgar little maggot. You worthless bag of filth. As we say in [Texas](#). I'll bet you couldn't pour [piss](#) out of a boot with instructions on the heel. You are a canker. A sore that won't go away. I would rather [kiss](#) a lawyer than be seen with you.

You're a putrescent mass, a walking [vomit](#). You are a spineless little worm deserving nothing but the profoundest contempt. You are a jerk, a cad, a weasel. Your life is a monument to stupidity. You are a stench, a revulsion, a big [suck](#) on a sour lemon.

You are a bleating foal, a curdled staggering mutant dwarf smeared richly with the effluvia and offal accompanying your alleged birth into this world. An insensate, blinking calf, meaningful to nobody, abandoned by the puke-drooling, giggling beasts who sired you and then killed themselves in recognition of what they had done.

I will never get over the embarrassment of belonging to the same species as you. You are a monster, an ogre, a malformity. I barf at the very thought of you. You have all the appeal of a paper cut. Lepers avoid you. You are vile, worthless, less than nothing. You are

a [weed](#), a fungus, the dregs of this earth. And did I mention you smell?

Try to edit your responses of unnecessary material before attempting to impress us with your insight. The evidence that you are a nincompoop will still be available to readers, but they will be able to access it more rapidly.

You snail-skulled little rabbit. Would that a hawk pick you up, drive its beak into your brain, and upon finding it rancid set you loose to fly briefly before spattering the ocean rocks with the frothy pink shame of your ignoble blood. May you ckoke on the queasy, convulsing nausea of your own trite, foolish beliefs.

You are weary, stale, flat and unprofitable. You are grimy, squalid, nasty and profane. You are foul and disgusting. You're a fool, an ignoramus. Monkeys look down on you. Even sheep won't have [sex](#) with you. You are unreservedly pathetic, starved for attention, and lost in a land that reality forgot.

And what meaning do you expect your delusionally self-important statements of unknowing, inexperienced opinion to have with us? What fantasy do you hold that you would believe that your tiny-fisted tantrums would have more weight than that of a leprous desert rat, spinning rabidly in a [circle](#), waiting for the bite of the snake?

You are a waste of flesh. You have no rhythm. You are ridiculous and obnoxious. You are the moral equivalent of a leech. You are a living emptiness, a meaningless void. You are sour and senile. You

are a disease, you puerile one-handed slack-jawed drooling  
meatslapper.

On a good day you're a half-wit. You remind me of drool. You are deficient in all that lends character. You have the personality of wallpaper. You are dank and filthy. You are asinine and benighted. You are the source of all unpleasantness. You spread misery and sorrow wherever you go.

You smarmy lagerlout git. You bloody woofter sod. Bugger off, pillock. You grotty wanking oik artless base-court apple-john. You clouted boggish foot-licking twit. You dankish clack-dish plonker. You gormless crook-pated tosser. You churlish boil-brained clotpole ponce. You cockered bum-bailey poofter. You craven dewberry pisshead cockup prating naff. You gob-kissing gleeking flap-mouthed coxcomb. You dread-bolted fobbing beef-witted clapper-clawed flirt-gill.

You are a fiend and a coward, and you have bad breath. You are degenerate, noxious and depraved. I feel debased just for knowing you exist. I despise everything about you, and I wish you would go away.

I cannot believe how incredibly stupid you are. I mean rock-hard stupid. Dehydrated-rock-hard stupid. Stupid so stupid that it goes way beyond the stupid we know into a whole different dimension of stupid. You are trans-stupid stupid. Meta-stupid. Stupid collapsed on itself so far that even the neutrons have collapsed. Stupid gotten so dense that no intellect can escape. Singularity stupid. Blazing hot

mid-day sun on Mercury stupid. You emit more stupid in one second than our entire galaxy emits in a year. Quasar stupid. Your writing has to be a troll. Nothing in our universe can really be this stupid. Perhaps this is some primordial fragment from the original big bang of stupid. Some pure essence of a stupid so uncontaminated by anything else as to be beyond the laws of physics that we know. I'm sorry. I can't go on. This is an epiphany of stupid for me. After this, you may not hear from me again for a while. I don't have enough strength left to deride your ignorant questions and half baked comments about unimportant trivia, or any of the rest of this drivle. Duh.

the only thing worse than your logic is your manners. I have snipped away most of your of whay you wrote, because, well... it didn't really say anything. Your attempt at constructing a creative flame was pitiful. I mean, really, stringing together a bunch of insults among a load of babbling was hardly effective... Maybe later in life, after you have learned to read, write, spell, and count, you will have more success. True, these are rudimentary skills that many of us "normal" people take for granted that everyone has an easy time of mastering. But we sometimes forget that there are "challenged" persons in this world who find these things more difficult. If I had known, that this was your case then I would have never read your post. It just wouldn't have been "right". Sort of like parking in a handicap space. I wish you the best of luck in the emotional, and social struggles that seem to be placing such a demand on you.

-----cut here-----

STANDARDIZED BONEHEAD REPLY FORM

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(check all boxes that apply)

Dear:

- |   |                                   |                                    |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clueless Newbie                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Lamer    | <input type="checkbox"/> Flamer    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loser                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Spammer  | <input type="checkbox"/> Troller   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Me too" er                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Pervert  | <input type="checkbox"/> Geek      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freak                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Nerd     | <input type="checkbox"/> Elvis     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Racist                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Fed      | <input type="checkbox"/> Freak     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundamentalist                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Satanist | <input type="checkbox"/> Homeopath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unbearably self-righteous person |                                   |                                    |

I took exception to your recent:

- Email     Post to \_\_\_\_\_.  
(newsgroup)

It was (check all that apply):

- |                                       |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lame         | <input type="checkbox"/> Stupid       | <input type="checkbox"/> Abusive        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clueless     | <input type="checkbox"/> Idiotic      | <input type="checkbox"/> Brain-damaged  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Imbecilic    | <input type="checkbox"/> Arrogant     | <input type="checkbox"/> Malevolent     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contemptible | <input type="checkbox"/> Libelous     | <input type="checkbox"/> Ignorant       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clueless     | <input type="checkbox"/> Stupid       | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundamentalist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boring       | <input type="checkbox"/> Dim          | <input type="checkbox"/> Cowardly       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deceitful    | <input type="checkbox"/> Demented     | <input type="checkbox"/> Self-righteous |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crazy        | <input type="checkbox"/> Weird        | <input type="checkbox"/> Hypocritical   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loathsome    | <input type="checkbox"/> Satanic      | <input type="checkbox"/> Despicable     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belligerent  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mind-numbing | <input type="checkbox"/> Maladroit      |

[ ] Much longer than any worthwhile thought of which you may be capable.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that:

- [ ] You posted what should have been emailed
- [ ] You obviously don't know how to read your newsgroups line
- [ ] You are trying to make money on a non-commercial newsgroup
- [ ] You self-righteously impose your religious beliefs on others
- [ ] You self-righteously impose your racial beliefs on others
- [ ] You posted a binary in a non-binaries group
- [ ] You don't know which group to post in
- [ ] You posted something totally uninteresting
- [ ] You crossposted to \*way\* too many newsgroups
- [ ] I don't like your tone of voice
- [ ] What you posted has been done before.
- [ ] Not only that, it was also done better the last time.
- [ ] You quoted an \*entire\* post in your reply
- [ ] You started a long, stupid thread
- [ ] You continued spreading a long stupid thread
- [ ] Your post is absurdly off topic for where you posted it
- [ ] You posted a followup to crossposted robot-generated spam
- [ ] You posted a "test" in a discussion group rather than in alt.test
- [ ] You posted a "YOU ALL SUCK" message
- [ ] You posted low-IQ flamebait
- [ ] You posted a blatantly obvious troll
- [ ] You followed up to a blatantly obvious troll
- [ ] You said "me too" to something
- [ ] You make no sense
- [ ] Your sig/alias is dreadful
- [ ] You must have spent your life in a skinner box to be this clueless.
- [ ] You posted a phone-sex ad

- [ ] You posted a stupid pyramid money making scheme
- [ ] You claimed a pyramid-scheme/chain letter for money was legal
- [ ] Your margin settings (or lack of) make your post unreadable. Each line  
just goes on and on, not stopping at 75 characters, making it hard to read.
- [ ] You posted in ELite CaPITALs to look k00wL
- [ ] You posted a message in ALL CAPS, and you don't even own a TRS-80
- [ ] Your post was FULL of RANDOM CAPS for NO APPARENT REASON
- [ ] You have greatly misunderstood the purpose of this newsgroup.
- [ ] You have greatly misunderstood the purpose of the Internet.
- [ ] You are a loser.
- [ ] This has been pointed out to you before.
- [ ] You didn't do anything specific, but appear to be so generally  
worthless that you are being flamed on general principles.

It is recommended that you:

- [ ] Get a clue
- [ ] Get a life
- [ ] Go away
- [ ] Grow up
- [ ] Never post again
- [ ] Read every newsgroup you posted to for a week
- [ ] stop reading Usenet news and get a life
- [ ] stop sending Email and get a life
- [ ] Bust up your modem with a hammer and eat it
- [ ] Have your medication adjusted
- [ ] Jump into a bathtub while holding your monitor
- [ ] find a volcano and throw yourself in
- [ ] get a gun and shoot yourself

- [ ] Actually post something relevant
- [ ] Read the FAQ
- [ ] stick to FidoNet and come back when you've grown up
- [ ] Apologize to everybody in this newsgroup
- [ ] consume excrement
- [ ] consume excrement and thus expire
- [ ] Post your tests to alt.test/misc.test
- [ ] Put your home phone number in your ads from now on
- [ ] Refrain from posting until you have a vague idea what you're doing

In Closing, I'd Like to Say:

- [ ] You need to seek psychiatric help
- [ ] Take your gibberish somewhere else
- [ ] \*plonk\*
- [ ] Learn how to post or get off the usenet
- [ ] Most of the above
- [ ] All of the above
- [ ] Some of the above, not including All of the above
- [X] You are so clueless that I didn't even bother filling in this form.

end "standardized form"-----

P.S.: You are hypocritical, greedy, violent, malevolent, vengeful, cowardly, deadly, mendacious, meretricious, loathsome, despicable, belligerent, opportunistic, barratrous, contemptible, criminal, fascistic, bigoted, racist, sexist, avaricious, tasteless, idiotic, brain-damaged, imbecilic, insane, arrogant, deceitful, demented, lame, self-righteous, byzantine, conspiratorial, satanic, fraudulent, libelous,

bilious, splenetic, spastic, ignorant, clueless, illegitimate, harmful, destructive, dumb, evasive, double-talking, devious, revisionist, narrow, manipulative, paternalistic, fundamentalist, dogmatic, idolatrous, unethical, cultic, diseased, suppressive, controlling, restrictive, malignant, deceptive, dim, crazy, weird, dystopic, stifling, uncaring, plantigrade, grim, unsympathetic, jargon-spouting, censorious, secretive, aggressive, mind-numbing, arassive, poisonous, flagrant, self-destructive, abusive, socially-retarded, puerile, clueless, and generally Not Good.

Do I Win?