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Also, we generally delete the comments that contain the following words without reading them: "get over it," "you're overreacting," "whiners," "nothing is ever going to change," "why don't you focus on real racism," any variation on "playing the race card." Be forewarned.

We also delete blatant self-promotion and comments where it is clear the source material was not carefully considered. If you aren't going to bother to engage with the post, we aren't going to bother posting your comment.

Guidelines for Commenting

Comments that violate the following guidelines may be deleted.

1. Don't make **threats of violence**, ever.
2. Don't address people using **racial slurs**. And yes, that includes **anti-white racial slurs** or even **belittling/condescending remarks** like "white boy."
3. Don't make **personal attacks**. If you're not smart enough to win an argument without resorting to calling someone fat, stupid, crazy, or whatever, maybe you should work on your rhetorical skills.
4. Don't respond to **trolls**. If someone is clearly posting a comment with the intention of starting a fight, or posting completely wrong, racist pseudoscientific crap like "all white people are albinos, science proved it", just ignore them.
5. In general, let's stay away from **long, drawn-out arguments** and fights. Once a thread descends into point-by-point refutations and denials, it has (not always, but a lot of the time) turned to crap.
6. Let's avoid **oppression olympics** please. I'm not saying it's never something to be discussed, but generally

ABOUT THIS BLOG

Racialicious is a blog about the intersection of race and pop culture. Check out our daily updates on the latest celebrity gaffes, our no-holds-barred critique of questionable media representations, and of course, the inevitable ~~Keanu Reeves~~ John Cho newflashes.

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speaking, bickering over who has it worse off, or who's more racist, is really kind of useless.

7. Try not to speak in **generalizations**. Don't attribute characteristics to entire ethnic or racial groups. Adding modifiers like "some" or talking specifically about your personal experiences help reduce the likelihood that you're stereotyping entire communities.

8. Don't respond to a post or comment by saying "why don't you focus on some **real issues like the war/starving children** in Africa/police brutality/etc." Newsflash: this is a blog about race and pop culture. If you're not interested in discussing the intersection of those two things, please go elsewhere.

9. Don't respond to critiques about racism by telling the person making the critique that they're just **too sensitive**, or they need to "get a life," or that they need to stop playing the "race card." We welcome disagreements here on Racialicious, but make an intelligent case for your point of view. Don't just **dismiss others' views**.

Coffeandink said it best in the brilliant [How to Suppress Discussions of Racism](#): "If you can accuse your opponent of "paranoia," "white guilt," "internalized racism," "whining," "overreacting," "paternalism," "condescension," "being obsessed with-race," "bitching about racism at the drop of a hat," or "taking things too personally," you don't need to bother addressing the content of their remarks."

10. If all of your comments are **variations on the same theme**, we reserve the right to ban you. If every time you post a comment it is a variation of "that's because white people hate black people" or "you need to stop generalizing white people," it is generally not conducive to our discussion and only serves to stir up animosity.

11. Any comments using the phrase "the United States of **Amerikkka**" or "Amerikkka" will be deleted. It is not very original or entertaining at this point, especially not the 400th time someone has to read it. Ditto for comments trying to "explain" that that there really *are* differences in the behaviors of races. Ditto for comments **complaining about the comments** – if you take offense to an assumption in a comment, address the speaker directly and respectfully.

If your comment is deleted, please do not post a comment complaining that someone else just said the exact same thing and they got through. Someone putting together a well reasoned comment about how the legacy of slavery has influenced the perceptions of minorities in America is not the same as saying "white people suck."

12. Any **ridiculously off-topic** comments will also be deleted. If we are talking about the sexualized images of the Asian American female, there is no need to bring up the best places to get Chinese food in your area.

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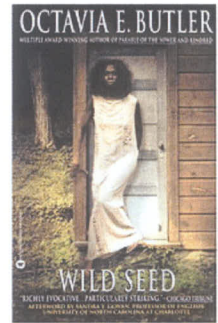
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