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Boast Activity

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On December 30, 2016, legendary female boxer Ronda Rousey lost a highly anticipated match against Amanda Nunes within 48 seconds. Prior to the fight, Rousey often boosted about her fighting capabilities, claiming that she “can beat anyone on the planet” (Rafferty, 2015) and “fights for a living” (Rafferty, 2015). Unfortunately, the public did not react kindly with her egotism. After witnessing the controversial boxing match, many people rushed to the internet and ridiculed the once fighting icon. On a reddit forum titled *Ronda Rousey vs Amanda Nunes*, the top comments ranged from stating that she “

During the Anglo-Saxon era, Beowulf handled the concept of boasting in a different manner.

* Beowulf boast was justified
  + Boasting was important for an Epic and warrior culture.
  + To protect his honor from Unferth
    - Only boasted after Unferth insulted him.
      * Unferth started the conversation
    - Valid argument against Unferth
      * Saying that he was drunk
    - Admitted that Unferth was correct on some levels
      * Thus, more believable
    - Included his weaknesses
      * Pg. 53: But worn out as I was
    - Silently attacked Unferth
  + to give hope for others who suffered Grendel’s and his mother’s attack.
    - Grendel and mother were invincible.
    - He had the right to boast after defeating Grendel.
    - Lied and gave Unferth credit for defeating Grendel’s mother
* Other Media:
  + Boasting if like gambling
  + Betting money/reputation
    - If win: Gain more respect
    - If lose: Humiliation
* **Ronda Rousey**
  + Ronda Rousey: 'I Can Beat Anyone on the Planet'
    - <https://www.rollingstone.com/sports/news/ronda-rousey-i-can-beat-anyone-on-the-planet-20150811>
  + Ronda Rousey: Theoretically, 'I could beat 100 percent' of UFC men's bantamweights
    - <https://www.mmafighting.com/2015/3/5/8156535/ronda-rousey-theoretically-i-could-beat-100-percent-of-ufc-mens>
  + Ronda Rousey vs Holly Holm
    - Ronda: Get in her face and show her that I was there for a reason.
    - Ronda: I told her that fake, sweet act – I see right through it!
      * Ronda: All the respect, all that everything, all you being sweet, I see right now and that it’s fake and you’re going to get it on Sunday.”
      * Posted a pic on Instagram: “*Fake ass cheap shotting fake respect fake humility bitch - "preacher's daughter" my ass - I see through your fake sweet act now - you're getting your ass kicked tomorrow, and I'm really going to enjoy the beating I give you*”
        + 468,910 likes
        + <https://www.quora.com/What-are-the-most-boastful-nasty-and-insulting-things-Ronda-Rousey-said-to-Holly-Holm-before-she-lost-I-mean-prior-to-the-fight-or-during-the-promotion>
        + <https://www.instagram.com/p/-DMAcAhESQ/>
  + Ronda Rousey vs Amanda Nunes
    - Rousey put down in 48 seconds
    - Humiliated
      * Top comments reaction to the fight on Reddit
        + Ronda just got the gif fight length treatment. 7107
        + "How to stand still" by Ronda Rousey. 5285
        + Ronda just got the gif fight length treatment. 2735
        + <https://www.reddit.com/r/MMA/comments/5l89bl/spoiler_amanda_nunes_vs_ronda_rousey/?st=jglhmofa&sh=6fbaba96>