In the following, you are asked to annotate utterances in which the b-word (i.e. *bitch*) occurs. In each case you are to decide whether the context of that word is abusive or not.

## The actual annotation task:

You are asked to annotate a set of utterances. Each utterance represents a tweet from Twitter. Each tweet contains at least one occurrence of the word *bitch*.

You are to make a binary decision: does the tweet represent an abusive remark or not?

By *abusive remarks*, we define utterances that are meant to hurt a single person (or a group of persons). Examples are:

- This bitch is a complete fucking idiot
- @USER you stupid bitch nuclear power kills shut up with your lies
- to all the females who have ever fucked around w another girls man you're trash af. you're an ugly bitch. I hope karma gets you real good :-)
- Fucking homophobic bitch can take her goddamn fancy ass wedding and shove it up her rancid cunt.
- Some sweaty retard looked at me dead in my eyes from across the map and purposely jumped out of the way from the paladin quad head. If you're reading this somehow fuck you fat whore ass bitch.

*Non-abusive remarks* that contain the word *bitch* are remarks which are not meant to hurt persons. For example, ranting about things is one possibility:

- Life's a bitch.
- I don't care if I knew her personally or not , please say some prayers for Bree's family! Cancer is a bitch nobody should have to go through this!

The same is reciting titles of books, songs etc. in which the word occurs:

- The book "why men love bitches" would tell you not to respond at all and make other plans. Then when he texts you at 7pm tonight you can be like "oh sorry you never made plans with me so I made other plans." Women wait for no man.
- In the vein of The Bitch in the House, fifteen powerful women offer captivating, intimate, and candid explorations about what it's really like turning forty—and life beyond. #OnBeing40ish is out now!

The term can be also used as a self-description. Such usages are generally not abusive. In the feminist domain, the term has varied reappropriated meanings that may even connote positive things, such as *a strong female* or *cunning*:

- I'm fine all day at work, but as soon as I get home, I'm a horror....I'm the bitch in the house.
- My friends are all so smart and sexy wow I am a proud bitch

• You call me 'Bitch' like it's a bad thing.

## Another frequent usage is general cursing:

- bitch, i waited for so long to have an iconic princess mechanic reunion, to have clarke pointing a gun on raven great, amazing, nice, wonderful:)
- Day n Vegas is the day after my 21st. Bitch this is dangerous

Sometimes the general tone of the context may also be telling. If it is generally positive, then the usage of the b-word is very likely to be non-abusive:

- Terrific show in Cardiff tonight. Thanks Captain Fantastic. The <a href="Bitch">Bitch</a> is Back indeed! @ Cardiff City Stadium
- hey bitches my music taste SUPERB
- @USER Bitch. This is fantastic. You got some real good skills.

We consider sexually loaded language as non-abusive as long as no intention of hurting anybody is visible. There may also be cases of porn spam. They too should **not** be considered abusive:

- 1ST HORSE DILDO TESTING BY AHRI AND REAL PURPLE BITCH CREAMPIE ANAL teaser <URL> Here's Dollie
- if you'd gift this bitch with your big cock in her phat juicy ass and in between her melon tits
- Find a wild and sexy bitch for your dirty fantasies here)

There may also be cases of street language. You can recognize this type of language by the frequent usage of other profane words (e.g. *fuck*, *nigga*).

These words often do not contribute to the actual semantics of the sentence.

All these cases should be considered as non-abusive language as well:

- niggas run they mouths just like <a href="bitches">bitches</a>! They really gay as fuck.
- @USER awe, fuck bitches sweetheart. They should feel lucky to have you.
- fuck bitches get money tat the motto lol