spark / spɑːk / verb

to be the cause of something, especially trouble or violence

***WA senator blasts ALP infighting, backs Rudd* :**

**The tirade reportedly was sparked after the woman phoned police from the middle of the moving train to complain about the children she had wanted to vacate their seats for her.**

***Shocking racist rant filmed on NSW train*:**

**The rebuff sparked an angry response from Murphy who spat in Ms Malone's face.**