

PROLEGOMENA FOR A TREATISE ON 'CUNT'

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I will begin with some historical emails I sent regarding Bill Gates as a prototypical specimen of the variety 'cunt'. I will explain the true meaning of the word in vernacular contemporary English, its various nuances, its proper usage and so on. One day I do wish to revive the fine usage of this oft-misunderstood word. Needless to say, even though it is said to refer to female genitalia, in fact it does not actually refer to this in vernacular usage.

1. OPEN LETTER OF MAY 3 2021

BILL GATES,
Look.



There you are. I call you a cunt because I've dealt with you for six months and you're a total cunt. If you want to be removed from my cunt list, you need to stop being a cunt. I don't change things around just for people's convenience. You are also an Abomination and Evil Demon, Malevolent, etc. These are descriptive proper terms. You are a cunt. So you're a cunt. If you were not a cunt, I would not call you a cunt. I am straightforward. I call cunts cunts and don't call non-cunts cunts. It's very simple. If you don't want to be referred to as cunt, stop being a cunt. There will never be any apologies from me about this. I apologise to people when I am wrong. But you're a cunt, so I'm right. So that's that. You will be a cunt till the sun burns down. Once a cunt forever a cunt.

Date: November 29, 2021.

Thank you, ZULFIKAR MOINUDDIN AHMED

2. THE FINER NUANCES OF CUNT

A cunt, by my fine understanding of vernacular English is a moral denigrating term. The key to being a cunt is *entitlement* in morally abhorrent behaviour. A man who uses your hospitality and generosity to visit and stay at your home is just ungrateful if he is inconsiderate about noise while you are asleep. But he is a cunt if he pisses on your carpet, fucks your wife, pushes your grandmother off the bridge, raids your fridge and eats the good stuff, and on top of all that tells you that you don't care about being loving to him and care about his feelings. Bill Gates is that sort of man. He's a cunt.

3. IS CUNT A HATE WORD

Hate is a different emotion than what provokes cunt in vernacular natural English usage. If you do not actually think that someone is entitled and egregious in their taking advantage of people's beneficence then it is wrongly applied to them. It is possible that someone wants to express hatred and uses the word but the meaning is expressed correctly in the last section.

4. ETHNICITY INDEPENDENCE

Cunt is a moral judgment. It is a particularly extreme moral judgment of someone's character but it is a convenient way of expressing a complex pejorative moral judgment. One can be a black cunt, or a yellow cunt, a red cunt, an Indian cunt, a German cunt, a French cunt. So there is no restriction to ethnicity for a cunt. This makes sense because the moral value distributions of human beings charge the full spectrum of good to bad for all ethnicities, as I have shown elsewhere. In the paradigmatic case, we have Bill Gates as a white cunt or more precisely English-Scottish ethnic cunt. But you can have an honest to goodness Jewish New Yorker cunt in theory too even without being an anti-Semitic person making the charge.

5. GENERAL COMMENT ABOUT CURSE WORDS

Vernacular curse words are always about moral judgment. They are convenience abbreviations for complex moral judgments. They all judge character features of the target. They exist in a language because these judgments are often emotionally intuitive. And the word *cunt* is the same. In English language, some body parts are often used for curses, and the vernacular has no physical *substance* at all. For example 'asshole' and 'dick' are moral judgments of character having nothing to do with the body parts in meaning.