

Notebook Entry 7-5i

I posted a video to a popular social media platform tiktok, it was a video replying to a major porn company which had made an account on the site and posted what they deemed funny content.

In my response I said that "Big Porn companies participating in these trends is disgusting, you company is not "quirky", you are normalizing the porn industry to children. What you are doing is evil, and not at all funny.

My comments were filled with a variety of opinions, the majority of which positive, and overwhelmingly included one word, "Based".

The word based is defined by urban dictionary as

TOP DEFINITION



Based

The quality of having an opinion without regard for what other people think, often a [controversial](#) opinion but not always. Upon expressing such an opinion it is [customary](#) for others to [acknowledge](#) the person as being based.

John: "[Return](#) to [Monkey](#)"

Jim: "[Ayo](#), Based?"

But the use of the word may in this instance be inaccurate, because it appears most people agree, atleast in these comments, and its clear some were more upset than I. One comment with 82 likes read "These people have names and addresses", to which I of course replied "disavow" (no political violence is tolerated). Others said, "I agree fully but probably for different reasons" giving room for plenty of discussion to occur. Others mocked my video asking if I was "gonna cry" about it, to which I often reply "yes." In jest. Some commenters made the case that "Porn is already accessible to anyone and is already normalized. It's the parents fault." We must ask, is it acceptable that porn is this accessible? Why should parents be penalized for having children in a world with the odds stacked against them? While parents certainly can do more to protect their children, the burden falls in large part on the culture that provides pornography in the first place.

I enjoyed this assignment because it allowed me to reflect and address the opinions of regular teens in perhaps the least civilized space there is, the comments of a tik tok video. Surprisingly, I've gotten the most varied and entertaining arguments from tik tok comments, but accordingly they're the easiest to rebuke. I will most likely not use these arguments in my final project because they are generally underdeveloped.