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Thread: [Git ecosystem changes - thoughts?](#)

xHeaven - October 2, 2020, 9:42 am

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Goku - October 2, 2020, 10:07 am

HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA

Soon the color 'black' will be renamed to 'colored' and white 'uncolored' and think it's a solution.

And to be honest, I'm a 'people of color' and holy fucking shit that term is racist. I rather you call me black/brown then 'people of color'. WTF

Charybdis - October 2, 2020, 10:10 am

I think it's ridiculous. Everything nowadays is considered offensive.

xHeaven - October 2, 2020, 10:44 am

A friend of mine said:

Quote:if you want to remove power from a word, use it often. If you want to make a word more powerful, reserve it for special use

it seems like these efforts to remove 'master' etc are setting these words up with a single meaning by removing other uses of it. If you want the words to not have the power to hurt...use it for more things! dilute it

I couldn't agree more with him.

Exalted - October 2, 2020, 10:48 am

It's bs if you ask me. [Python did the same thing back in '18.](#)

Disease - October 2, 2020, 6:38 pm

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Look, I'm all for dropping obviously antiquated terms. But this one irritates me. It's just overkill and foolish. It's merely tech giants pandering to the affairs of today.

Does it change anything, though? Not really. Neither negatively nor positively. So it is what it is. The industry as a whole is making moves like this, so it's already done. No changing it now, not that it matters.

X-32 - *October 12, 2020, 10:11 am*

I hate how the world is unfolding. It's just a fucking word, leave it like it is.

HackingGames247 - *October 12, 2020, 10:13 am*

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xHeaven - *October 12, 2020, 10:15 am*

(Oct 12, 2020 10:13 AM)HackingGames247 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What're you talking about?

There is an "src" link in my first post, check it out, it explains everything. Also, if you are interested, search it up on Google: "git master slave"

Xerotic - *October 12, 2020, 10:25 am*

I don't really care. It's a pedantic change that enough people in a position of control chose to adopt. Whether or not they did it for political reasons or personal morality is inconsequential as they effected their change already. This doesn't affect my work flow at all and it doesn't break anything I currently have set up. It's a minor change that I think we can all live with. The change in itself is, in my opinion, benign.

Are there better ways to solve social issues? Absolutely. However, the result of minor adjustments like terminology change lead us into a position where the energy formally spent on this debate can be spent elsewhere; hopefully on more important issues.