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Thread: [Low effort threads = high effort responses?](#)

Lowkey - October 13, 2025, 4:12 pm

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Aeowulf - October 13, 2025, 4:15 pm

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Lowkey - October 13, 2025, 4:16 pm

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This is exactly what I'm talking about right here.

plops - October 13, 2025, 4:19 pm

do less get more then see result good

Deany - October 13, 2025, 4:19 pm

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webdev77 - October 13, 2025, 4:30 pm

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Lowkey - October 13, 2025, 4:32 pm

(Oct 13, 2025 04:19 PM)Deany Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) We are all becoming the slop
Hello slop I am lowkey what is it like to be slop

Bastille - October 14, 2025, 2:15 am

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Oh_Well - October 14, 2025, 2:44 am

I think the world has become extremely fast-paced so you need to make the lower possible effort to do something so you can quickly move to the next one.

So I'm not sure if "Low effort threads = high effort responses" stands

PhillyStyle - October 14, 2025, 3:02 am

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mrclay - October 14, 2025, 3:33 am

(Oct 14, 2025 03:02 AM)PhillyStyle Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Shoot. Facebook suggests replies for you so that you don't even have to even attempt to think anymore. Where is that feature here? ?

?Haha right? Soon we will just blink twice on Hf and it's would suggest perfect replies.

Fish - October 14, 2025, 3:42 am

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The spirit and culture of sharing in hacking is slowly dying in a world where everyone is becoming more and more individualistic.If something takes more effort than a swipe, I feel like most people pass on

jcole - October 14, 2025, 8:17 am

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Jamika - October 14, 2025, 4:15 pm

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Yeah sure

And social media is full of garbage that earn money from nothing literally

Headspace - October 14, 2025, 5:13 pm

I agree with you, but the more important question is how do we fix it?

Aside from message boards, should we end participation trophies and rewarding mediocrity? Methinks this is a cultural/generational issue rather than some localized problem.

Palestine - October 14, 2025, 6:08 pm

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Lowkey - October 14, 2025, 11:25 pm

(Oct 14, 2025 08:17 AM)jcole Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Low effort threads = low effort replies.

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An alternative take I did not consider that is equally true!

Jinu - October 14, 2025, 11:31 pm

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I can relate to that. I've seen classmates who barely studied but still ended up landing great jobs. Sometimes it makes you wonder if effort alone really decides outcomes anymore, or if luck and timing play a much bigger role than we think.

Eran - October 15, 2025, 9:26 am

(Oct 13, 2025 04:30 PM)webdev77 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Imagine this response is nothing but the poop emoji 704 times. Thoughts conveyed.

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Lowkey - October 15, 2025, 2:58 pm

(Oct 15, 2025 09:26 AM)TRS Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I won't ask why the poop emoji, but why 704? Why not 705?

I think I get what he means.

Jamika - October 15, 2025, 11:55 pm

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Pimping - October 16, 2025, 12:00 am

I usually try to put effort into what i post and i think before posting

that doesnt only apply to posting.... but life in general. nowadays most people dont care or take time to do anything.. even simple tasks/jobs. it feels this way since about 2020

I also hate when people on forums reply to basic stuff using AI... noticed it here a bit but seems to be less now

DAL-SHA - October 16, 2025, 1:21 am

life has always been like this , but regarding to HF , the admins and mods who are strict ...

Palestine - October 16, 2025, 2:43 am

(Oct 15, 2025 11:55 PM)Jamika Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Agree , i would reply and engage in short thread rather than big long text

Right I get way to flustered when I see a long ass post too lol

Eran - October 16, 2025, 3:39 am

(Oct 15, 2025 02:58 PM)Lowkey Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I think I get what he means.

Please enlighten me.