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dhobs - February 1, 2026, 2:31 am

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ramikkon - February 1, 2026, 8:25 am

sounds to vague to arrive to any conclusions

Hackers - February 1, 2026, 8:28 am

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Hackers - February 2, 2026, 5:57 am

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Quote:Use proper grammar and punctuation.

Posts should be readable. Use capitalization and punctuation where appropriate.

Believe it or not there is a latency delay that is slower than my speed of typing for my current keyboard+connection on certain keys, so in the last few months I have been more likely to ignore capitalization.

I will try harder to make sure i am following the rules fully

RangoWorld - February 2, 2026, 7:12 am

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You should ignore it. Listen from one ear and let it go from the other. It doesn't concern you, so it's not your responsibility.

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Haha. How did you even noticed that? Sharp eyes.

TemptedMethods - February 17, 2026, 1:53 pm

Full blown grammar police

Jamika - February 18, 2026, 9:25 am

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If it doesn't affect your work then just forget everything, mind your own business

Lunex0 - February 19, 2026, 4:04 pm

Just keep an eye out for the possible effects, but don't worry about it if it doesn't affect you.

laksor - February 20, 2026, 12:31 pm

if you dont think it affects you, dont worry about it, that would be what i would say.

unless you can figure out precisely what it is and report it for reputation which can help your future in your career

Phantom_NiNja - February 21, 2026, 1:21 pm

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I think you're just paranoid. There's no context and how often do you hear such convos and are they employees or random people?