
Subject: Fix your CTF server, Alkaline
Posted by [mahkra](#) on Thu, 22 Jul 2004 21:42:39 GMT
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Crimson"stupider" => more stupid
" too stupid to ever do " = split infinitive

"Stupider" is a word. And there's nothing wrong with splitting an infinitive. That's just a common myth.

EDIT:

<http://experts.about.com/q/680/3544555.htm>Expert:George Roupe
Date:5/12/2004
Subject:"Stupider" vs. "More Stupid"?

Question

A friend made a post on a message board saying that someone was "Stupider" than someone else... and reading it, I thought the proper way to express that would be to use "More stupid".

Apparently "Stupider" is a word according to dictionary.com, but is "more stupid" also correct?

Thanks for your time & help!

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Answer

In the past, and *perhaps* still by *some* authorities, it has been considered incorrect to form the comparative of some multisyllabic adjectives by adding -er, but objections to words such as "stupider" have come to seem a bit schoolmarmish in current usage. But there's certainly nothing wrong with saying "more stupid"!(*emphasis added)

Also,

<http://www.askoxford.com/betterwriting/plainenglish/writingmyths/>Here is a selection of writing myths that can be safely discarded:

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(3) You must not split your infinitives - If you think a sentence will be more emphatic, clear or rhythmical, split your infinitive – there is no reason in logic or grammar for avoiding it.
