
Subject: Re: Looking for a new gamer
Posted by [Dover](#) on Fri, 13 Nov 2009 10:10:02 GMT
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JohnDoe wrote on Fri, 13 November 2009 00:19George, I lost all the respect I had for you here.

Bawwww.

JohnDoe wrote on Fri, 13 November 2009 00:191. You need both inductive and deductive methods to obtain knowledge. I don't see there being any empirical research about the effects that female gamers have on their environment...stop acting educated, you're not.

You're wrong, I bet I could fill several books with things you don't see.

Deductive reasoning always leads to a correct conclusion (Assuming correct premises). The most famous example is:

Premise 1: All men are mortal.
Premise 2: Socrates is a man.
Conclusion: Socrates is mortal.

So long as premise 1 and premise 2 (And any subsequent premises, if necessary) are correct, the conclusion always will be correct. This is why deductive reasoning is great.

On the other hand, inductive reasoning MAY lead to a correct conclusion, even when building on a correct premise, but often times doesn't. Two examples our beloved Wikipedia gives are:

Wikipedia1 always hang pictures on nails.
Therefore:
All pictures hang from nails.

and

WikipediaMany speeding tickets are given to teenagers.
Therefore:
All teenagers drive fast.

These are obviously false, but using nothing but inductive reasoning there is no problem with these conclusions. This is why inductive reasoning sucks. Inductive reasoning can be helpful, at times, but it doesn't ensure truth.

Logic is deductive, not inductive.

I shouldn't have to tell you any of this. I thought you were a student?

JohnDoe wrote on Fri, 13 November 2009 00:19Z. Who cares? Here's someone looking for a friend (albeit in a very strange way). He doesn't owe anyone an explanation...jeez

And I don't expect an explanation. In fact, he hasn't responded in quite a while. I'm not asking for a explanation so much as trying to get him to think outside his preconceptions.
