

## Re: [SLE] Have you seen this? -- TOFU explained

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Hi

So You are saying, that I should just accept the difficult method of reading replies (by scrolling down and searching for the start of the reply)

To my logic there is nothing that would speak on behalf of bottom-posting, especially when it means more difficult replies to read. And who has said it is rude? Someone, who is a person like me, and has not the status any higher that I do.

What You said about Cc'ing, I totally agree on that one. Replies should go only to this list, period.

Logs... they do grow on the bottom, and every time I open a log, I need to scroll down.. why shouldn't they start at the top? Lazy programmers?

Teletypes.. what are they.. I should google to some history or museum.. should we follow those lines? Get perhaps 75/1200 baud modems back on line?

I do understand that trimming is needed when bottom-posting, but when top-posting, just add the reply on top, perhaps deleting something from the original message, and go-on with whatever I was doing.

By doing this I perhaps make a new reply and help another Linux-user in the same time, that it takes to carefully trimming the message.

Maybe someone will say that it is a waste of bandwidth. If so, the why do we graphics on web-pages? It is not needed, but it is there.. They should the start to educate people who are designing web-pages to get back to stone-age!

Jaska.

> > *i.e., instead of you replying to post of mine by carefully trimming*  
> > *the amount of the text you quote and then add your follow-up below it,*  
> > *you add your answer "above" and then quote my entire email below.*  
> >  
> > *It's amazingly rude and ugly, even worse than Cc'ing a poster*

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> > *when replying to the list.*  
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> >-ckm  
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> *Reference:*  
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> <http://lists.suse.com/archive/suse-linux-e/2002-Jun/>  
> <http://lists.suse.com/archive/suse-linux-e/2002-Jun/0536.html>  
>  
> *OK, that is (was) Chris's opinion -- and he is no longer on the list,*  
> *but many who are -- especially one's who know the answers ---*  
> *don't like TOFU because it slows down their reading,*  
> *and replying to people who need help.*  
> *(Many of them have very high reading rates)*  
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> *Look at your logs -- the most recent stuff is at the bottom.*  
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> *Remember teletypes --- the last message is at the bottom*  
>  
> *Look at the archives...last reply is at the bottom*  
>  
> *Bottom line -- do it at your own peril.*  
>  
> *Look at this post...*  
>  
> *I will leave it as an exercise for the reader about*  
> *M\$ mentality. There is a full moon out --*  
> *and we don't need any more flames...*  
>  
> *Hope this helps,*  
> *Remember, google is your friend,*  
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> *Gar*  
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> --  
> *"The IETF motto is 'rough consensus and running code'"*  
> *-- David D. Clark (as quoted in:*  
> *Unix, POSIX and Open Systems, John S. Quarterman p. 206)*  
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