

Re: Ping Kevin Aylward – re your "scientific paper"

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Kevin Aylward wrote:

> *Ban wrote:*

> > *John Woodgate wrote:*

> > > *Does any one remember the complaints I got in writing db instead of*

> > > *Db, or was it DB, like who really cares a shit?*

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> > > *That's a bit different, IMHO. You can write your philosophical stuff*

> > > *any way you want. People can choose whether to read and accept it. If*

> > > *they find it confusing, well, either they overcome that or they give*

> > > *up.*

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> > > *But technical symbols are part of our specialist language, and if*

> > > *they are not used correctly, our ****language**** degenerates into chaos.*

> > > *That's much more significant. Obvious examples are '1 mF' – is that 1*

> > > *millifarad (yes) or 1 microfarad (no)? – and 1 Pa – is that 1*

> > > *pascal(yes) or 1 picoamp (no).*

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> > > *The correct form is lower–case 'd' for 'deci', being a multiplier*

> > > *less than 1, and upper case 'B' for 'Bel' because it's derived from*

> > > *the name of a person.*

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> > *Might it be that Kevin is suffering from kind of a Dyslexia*

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> *Nope.*

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> > *and has*

> > *therefore problems remembering the right spelling? T*

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> *Poor spelling is a matter of poor memory, not Dyslexia. Its that simple.*

That is why good old–fashioned 'spelling tests' of old that I was used to, are the best way to ensure correctness in spelling.

Nor 'politically correct' now of course, so we are lumbered with ppl who spell things wrong – with the possibility of mixing meaning.

Graham