

Scoring tool, original version (KAT)

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Yes folks a DIY test. Compare your favorite KOOK against each other.

Goofie seems to rate fairly high, DOH!

Enjoy, from the past and still holds true.

Hell, even Wyatt has his place here, but no comparison with his mentor BJ.

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Brad Jesness Memorial Kook Appraisal Test (KAT or
KAT Index) v. 5.1 by Cipher and the a.u.k crew

So, you think you've got a contender, eh? Hard to separate the Kooks from the mere pains in the ass though. Hopefully this will help you.

Instructions :

In this section give your Prospective Kook ONE point for every YES answer. Give your Prospective Kook additional points for multiple occurrences.

Grading scale follows questions.

Have they ever :

1. Been the first to go ad-hominem in a newsgroup debate.
2. Accused someone of breaking a non-existent Federal Law.
3. Called a properly formatted cancel of a BI>20 article a *forged cancel*
4. Ranted about *Free Speech* when a moderator rejected their article. Two points if it's spelled "FREE SPEACH".

5. Tried to censor others, yet scream when others suggest that they killfile them or create a moderated newsgroup.
6. Complained to someone's ISP when they got spanked in a flame war.
7. Been complained about to their ISP deservedly.
8. Flamed someone from an anonymous account.
9. Made a spelling flame. (*)
10. Used RANT-CAPS & manic punctuation.
11. Claimed to be qualified to make a legal determination or medical diagnosis with no justification – bonus points if the kook is obviously projecting her/his *own* condition/behavior. (**)
12. Claimed an academic or professional degree they obviously do not have.
13. Claimed that because of a degree or research topic, another poster cannot know anything about any other subject.

In this section give your Prospective Kook TWO points for every YES answer. Give your Prospective Kook additional points for multiple occurrences.

1. Called someone a pedophile or drug pusher without proof.
2. Bonus if they called anyone a "Republican Nazi Pedophile"
3. Ranted about *Free Speech* when an anti-spammer canceled their article.
4. Posted to a newsgroup via sock-puppet.
5. Thought about becoming a Freedom Knight.
6. Voted via sock-puppet in a Big Eight vote.
7. Defended a well known kook.
8. Been Nominated for a Kook award.

9. Invented Usenet 'rules' & 'laws', particularly coming up with creative definitions for what constitutes spam & spamming.
10. Implied that she/he has powerful allies who will deal with his/her enemies, due to having affiliations with Microsoft, the CIA or some other powerful organization – no matter how flimsy the association.
11. Claimed an academic or professional degree after having stated they are a high school dropout or otherwise indicated their actual level of achievement, or claim multiple PhD's, MD's, etc.
12. 'Removed' an academic or professional degree or title from another more clueful poster. (Includes scare quotes such as 'Esq.', or 'Dr.')
13. Claimed one of the well known regulars of AUK is using a remailer to impersonate them, when all kook sign points to them.

In this section give your Prospective Kook THREE points for every YES answer. Give your Prospective Kook additional points for multiple occurrences.

1. Threatened to kill or cause bodily harm to another via mail or post.
2. Told someone they have caused the kook to harm himself.
3. Stalked/harassed an opponent off-line.
4. Mail-bombed anyone.
5. Spammed a newsgroup.
6. Posted a forged or altered newsgroup article.
7. Lost an account due to abuse.
8. Won a kook award.
9. Threatened a groundless lawsuit via mail or post. (LA Law bonus: Additional point if a TV lawyer is used.)

(Grubor bonus: If they claim John Grubor/Law Systems Institoot as counsel)

10. Threatened to have their "agents" come after someone.
11. Had a FAQ posted about their kookiness.
12. Pretended to be a sysadmin or ISP owner.
13. CC'ed emailed complaints to irrelevant or non-existent organizations email addresses, such as the DOJ, AG, CIA, FBI etc.
14. Been TOSsed and then claimed to have canceled it, her/it/himself?

(*) PalmJob Exception Rule. Cannot be applied to a mere troll's points.

(**) Brad Jesness Factor. Not applicable to BJ, it is expected.

Scale/Rank :

1 – 10 points : Kook Wannabe. Needs to read Grubor's posting history on dejanews. Your Prospective Kook has much to learn. They may have just screwed up once or twice.

11 – 25 points : Journeyman Kook. Needs to Continue to mimic the real kooks. Your Prospective Kook could be a contender.

26 – 36 points : Kook First Class. Still a lesser light, but Your Prospective Kook HAS arrived! People killfile him/her.

36 – 50 points : Kook cum Laude. Someone is considering writing a FAQ about your Prospective Kook. Has been nominated for at least one a.u.k award.

51 + points : Kook Magna cum Laude. Your Prospective Kook has a FAQ. Your Prospective Kook will eventually win all the big awards. Your Prospective Kook can leap tall newbies with a single bound.

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