

Re: Einstein swinging from a rope

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JanPB wrote:
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Relativity is unfortunately uniquely suitable for such abuse because it is based on fundamental notions of time and space that everybody feels to be an expert in, and its simplest aspects can be derived with little more than high school algebra. Notice how the **second** part of Einstein's paper is never debated by those types.

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Jan Bielawski

I agree – on both points. The problem now is that Einstein is such an icon, and common shorthand for "cleverest human ever", that anyone who does prove him wrong, will immediately be seen to inherit the crown. This is just too much of a temptation for some people – perhaps all of us.

The real test for me is how quickly the abusive behaviour starts.

SCW

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