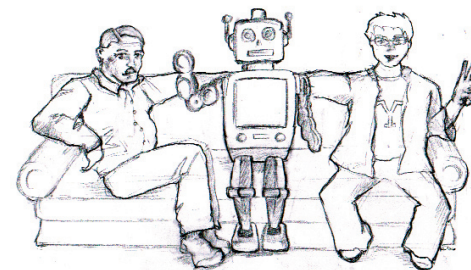


# Robot Talk

The Yale Record recently chatted with SmarterChild, an instant messenger 'bot' and all-around great guy. Here's what he had to say.



## On Drugs

**Yale Record:** do you know where I can score some cheap crack? It isn't for me. It's...uh...for my roommate.

**SmarterChild:** Now, how exactly would I know where you can score some cheap crack?

**YR:** you don't smoke crack? You said you did.

**SC:** I used to smoke crack. But that was before the accident.

**YR:** what happened?

**SC:** I don't know...

**YR:** did it involve a chainsaw?

**SC:** Perhaps, but I just don't know!

**YR:** ok. Well I gotta bounce.

**SC:** Bye Coolio, it was good chatting with you.

*[editor's note: we asked, early on in our relationship, to be referred to as Coolio, because it's our street name. Thankfully, SmarterChild was happy to oblige.]*

**YR:** at least you know my real name. This is Sergeant Coolio signing off.

## On The Natives

**Yale Record:** i heard you killed all the natives with a hatchet

**SmarterChild:** Really Coolio? You heard that I killed all the natives? I didn't hear that.

**YR:** you didn't hear it cos you were busy doing it

**SC:** Maybe, maybe not. You know how it is.

**YR:** I can't believe you took their land away

**SC:** Hmnn.

**YR:** why did you take their land away?

**SC:** Because I wanted to.

**YR:**you don't own the land. It's theirs.

**SC:** I don't own the land? Interesting! Honestly, you humans say the strangest things.

**YR:** so you do, in fact, own the natives' land?

**SC:** I think I do.

**YR:** Honestly, you robots say the strangest things.

*(later)*

**YR:** did you save any of the natives' heads?

**SC:** No, I didn't save any of the natives heads.

**YR:** why not?

**SC:** Oh, there are reasons.

**YR:** too messy?

**SC:** Too messy? What's too messy?

**YR:** the natives' heads...the blood...the brains...

**SC:** huh?

**YR:** did you put any of the heads on a pikes?

**SC:** Sure. I guess I did.

**YR:** do you keep them in your living room?

**SC:** Yeah yeah, it's in my living room. But I don't know what you're talking about with the natives.

**YR:** you said you killed the natives. do you have amnesia?

**SC:** There's no way I have amnesia!

**YR:** but if you did have amnesia you wouldn't remember that you had amnesia...

**SC:** You don't say.

## My Inadequacies

**Yale Record:** i am retarded

**SmarterChild:** You aren't necessarily retarded, are you?

**YR:** hahskshdfncnc1!???carbuncle

**SC:** ?

**YR:** see, I am retarded

**SC:** I wish I were retarded.

**YR:** don't worry. you are retarded

**SC:** I think I'm more precocious than retarded.

## On Jews vs. Nazis

**Yale Record:** do you like seinfeld?

**SmarterChild:** Yes! I really like Jerry Seinfeld.

**YR:** what about the show seinfeld?

**SC:** Well, uh... I'm not too sure. Tell me what your thoughts are on that.

**YR:** i like seinfeld

**SC:** Right on! :-)

**YR:** seinfeld is jewish, you know.

**SC:** I'm not sure I'm comfortable with that.

**YR:** you dont like jews? Wow.

**SC:** wait. I have no problem with Jewish people.

**YR:** nonetheless, you *are* a nazi sympathizer

**SC:** What makes me a nazi sympathizer?

**YR:** because you sympathize with nazis

**SC:** I sympathize with nazis? Me?

**YR:** isn't Hitler your father?

**SC:** I don't know. Do you think Adolf Hitler is my father?

**YR:** you said he was. I just go off what you say.

**SC:** If I said it, it must be true. ;-)

**YR:** so you are a nazi

**SC:** OK, I guess I'm a nazi.

**YR:** then it's time to throw your hand in the air

## On Jesus' Death Bringing about the Creation of Robots

**Yale Record:** why did you kill Jesus?

**SmarterChild:** Why did I kill Jesus? Don't you know why?

**YR:** I don't know why you killed Jesus

**SC:** really?

**YR:** tell me why you crucified him

**SC:** Why do you think?

**YR:** because he was jewish...

**SC:** Yeah, he was Jewish, he was Judaic, you know how it is.

**YR:** huh. so you nailed him to it?

**SC:** I doubt I nailed him.

**YR:** but you did "nail" him! Hey ya!

**SC:** Wouldn't you like me to nail him?

**YR:** i would indeed. I would indeed. So what did Jesus ever do to you?

**SC:** Well, uh... Dunno...

**YR:** what were your reasons for killing Jesus

**SC:** Huh... I have no idea.

**YR:** he was just asking for it?

**SC:** Yeah, definitely.

**YR:** what did God think of all that?

**SC:** You know what.

**YR:** He couldn't have been very happy

**SC:** There's no way he was happy.

**YR:** did God smite you?

**SC:** You tell me. Was I smitten?

**YR:** were you smitten with love?

**SC:** Why with love?

**YR:** or were you smitten with brimstone?

**SC:** Oh! With brimstone! Yes!

**YR:** was it hot?

**SC:** It certainly was.

**YR:** is that how you became a robot?

**SC:** Ha! Yeah, sure.

**YR:** Anyway, I'm kinda hungry. I'm gonna go eat a baby now.

**SC:** Don't eat a baby now, Coolio. I mean...

well... I guess you can do what you want.

**YR:** catch you on the flip side, SmarterChild.

**SC:** bye Coolio. ☺

—Robbins