Shadow Starshine discussion tree (just one sub-part of the discussion currently). Source:

http://curi.us/2270-overreaching-discussion-plus-analysis

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Shadow Starshine:
I want you to read what I'm typing not my mind

curi:
so for example you wrote

"I get it, you guys only like quotes when its literal"

i read this. by reading it, i noticed that the text "its" is an error. is that what you want?

Shadow Starshine:
...

are you serious

you're bothered that "its" isn't "it's"

curi:
wanting me to guess that you meant something other than what you wrote is in the mind reading category.

i can do it some but not enough for how you're talking.

curi:
your correction is still wrong

Note: the comment about "mind reading category" refers to SS's prior comment about "read ... not my mind". This is an example of replying to what someone said using their own terminology and trying to engage with the point they brought up. I think SS may have only connected this comment to the parent node without remembering the context of the previous two nodes, but it's hard to tell what happened because he stopped making topical comments.

Shadow Starshine:
you're being serious right now?

curi:
i am being serious

Shadow Starshine:
wow

Sorry, at this point I can't imagine you're worth talking to

curi:
will you read the inferential distance articles?

your attitude is irrational in a way that has been explained by quite a few ppl

Freeze:
Inferential distance articles: https://ptb.discordapp.com/channels/304062867284745994/304062867284745994/658476006843670532[0]

https://wiki.lesswrong.com/wiki/Inferential_distance

Note: It later turned out that SS didn't know the inferential distance articles (which curi had brought up three times earlier in the discussion) were written by people other than curi. He didn't glance at them or read the URLs before deciding to ignore them. When things were said that didn't fit his beliefs about the articles, like "explained by quite a few ppl", he didn't double check his beliefs or ask a question.

Shadow Starshine:
Listen, I'll talk to Freeze and TheRat and people, but I'm done with curi

I don't think he's being honest

curi:
see, the communication gap is bad enough that he's claiming bad faith. typical thing as explained in the articles.

Shadow Starshine:
I talk with a lot of philosophers, none of said that a conversation was too confusing to move forward because of the wrong "its"

curi:
i didn't say that.

Freeze:
btw I think curi is saying he can do some mind-reading but not enough to communicate effectively based on how you have been writing

I took the its as an example of imprecision, but in a way that curi can mindread past

Shadow Starshine:
Are you guys honstly taking the perspective that you'd have to be a "mind reader" to understand that sentence?

JustinCEO:
ya SS you're just making stuff up now

TheRat:
FWIW, SS. I get where you're coming from but curi is not acting in bad faith. [...]

curi:
no

you are misunderstanding quite badly

[Skipping some flaming by SS.]

Shadow Starshine:
Who here doesn't understand what I mean with the "I get it, you guys only like quotes when its literal"

Someone other than curi

Please raise your hand

curi:
i do understand what you mean

you keep misstating my position and ignoring my corrections

Shadow Starshine:
Either he honestly means that, in which case he speaks in a way so annoying I'd had to try and broach it

Or he's dishonest

And it's a waste of my time

It's ambiguous what this is a reply to (and what "that" is) so I didn't pick a parent. I put it near where SS said it.