

Stop Fork and Spoon Violence!!

Of all the horrors that plague mankind, none is more horrifying than having to know which fork or spoon to use in a formal dinner setting. The needless energy involved in learning which fork or spoon to use has undoubtedly caused the death of some pretentious rich man. I ask you, was his life worth the cause? Did the ends truly justify the means? I think not. Due to this fact, if I could change one thing in history, I would erase the invention of both the fork and spoon and instead replace it with only the spork.

Every year, tens if not hundreds of dollars are wasted by making the fork and spoon separate items. Think of the money that could be saved if the two commodities were made into one. What a boost to our feeble economy it could be to have only one utensil. A package of plastic forks is \$2.99; a package of plastic spoons is \$2.99; a package of sporks is also \$2.99. If we apply basic math by buying sporks instead of both forks and spoons, we save \$2.99. Spread this fact over the amount of times we buy forks and spoons, that's a lot of money to be saved.

Historically speaking, using only the spork could have even prevented class societies and also saved lives. Class societies are based on material items such as clothing and food. Hundreds of years ago, the upper echelons of society would have undoubtedly used a setup of numerous utensils, whereas the paupers would have used only a knife or their hands. These lower classes would not have been able to afford all of the utensils needed to eat dinner "properly". The spork could have acted as the medium to bind these classes together. The rich and poor together, happily eating with their sporks. Had the spork been widely used, perhaps class separations would not have happened, for the rich could not hold the fork or the spoon over the poor to make class distinctions. As such, Karl Marx and Frederick Engels would not have written the Communist Manifesto. What reason could they have to write such a manifesto if we don't have class fighting? Think of the wonderful world it would be, no bourgeoisie with their seventeen forks and spoons perched above the workers with nothing. And without Communism, would the McCarthy Trials or Domino Effect have taken place? Most certainly not. Without Communism we would not have had wars like Vietnam, The Cold War, or Korea.

Obviously the spork is not an invention to be taken lightly, but is an invention of great magnitude seen too late to make a real difference in history. Let us not make the same mistake and let the fork and spoon end more innocent lives. We, as the next generation of mankind, have the duty to show the world the full power and influence the spork has. The fork and spoon have already done enough damage to the world; let us stop their violence. Switch to the spork.