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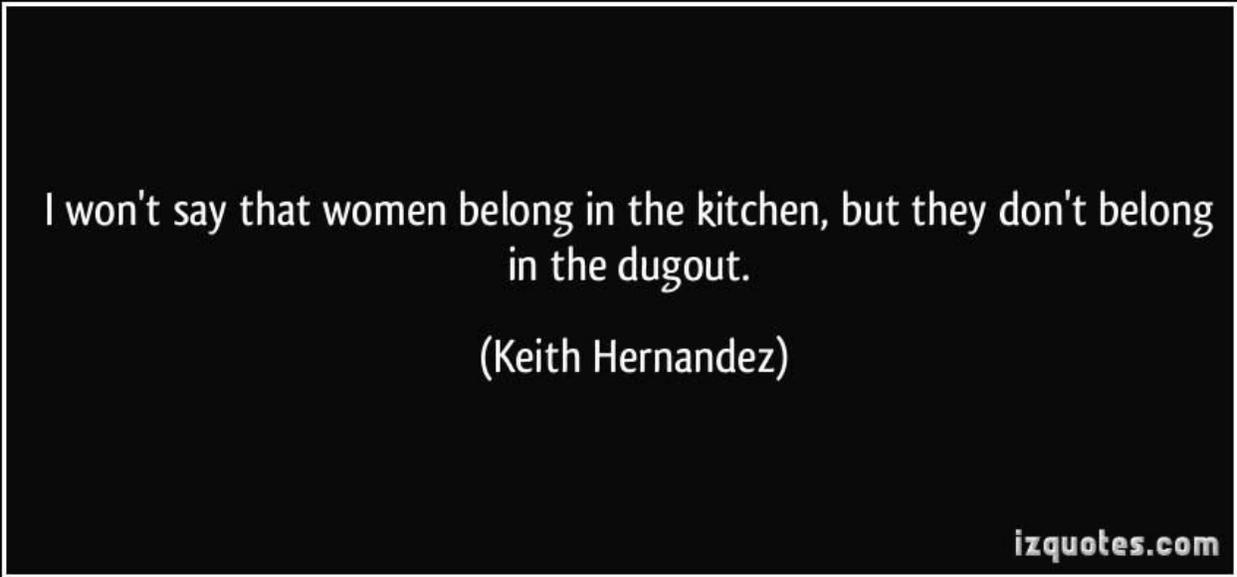
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In today's society, we are surrounded by different media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, even commercial television and what the media portrays to us individually and socially. It is insane how much the media effects our daily lives without us even noticing. When glancing through media throughout the day, it is expected that you'd find things you like and also things that you don't like. Issues in todays society like sexism, racism and many more are extremely prominent topics in the media we are exposed to daily. Most seem to be looking for a comedic outcome, but lack greatly in that department. One image that I have seen recently on social media, my Facebook timeline to be specific, that I find very disturbing is the photo of a quote pasted below.



I won't say that women belong in the kitchen, but they don't belong
in the dugout.

(Keith Hernandez)

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This quote is not only offensive, but it is stupid as well. A facebook friend of mine recently shared this photo and I was extremely dissapointed in that individual, but I thought this photo would make an interesting analysis for this project. I am not sure, but I think this was supposed to be funny, and I am not sure what part of this quote would make anyone laugh. I assume the intended audience majority is sexist males. First, I would like to point out the fact that this person, and every person for that matter is and always will be entitled to their own opinions, but being openly sexist on social media is unacceptable in my opinion and most other individuals with honest morals would agree. Although this image states, "I won't say that women belong in the kitchen" is incredibly sexist as is, the second portion, "but they don't belong in the dugout." makes it that much worse. Keith Hernandez could have just said something like "men are superior" and I would have taken it the exactly same way. Women and men are equal and it is so sad and simply dissapointing to see that some people simply still cannot grasp that concept, even though it is the year 2020 and equality among all exists- or it is supposed to atleast. This photo contains the classic gender stereotypes of women being feminine, and in the kitchen cooking and cleaning, and men being masculine playing the sports, having fun, and getting dirty. This quote is severely offensive to not only women, but also female athletes who have worked extremely hard to be good at their chosen sport. As a women, and an ex-highschool athlete who played softball, soccer, and cheerleading I was extremely offended. I and many other women have worked our butts off to succeed in our chosen sports, and to have ANYONE talk about us as we were useless or we don't belong, is very saddening. Women are valuable, strong, and independent individuals. Funny thing is, women can do anything a man can do with no problem. Considering a young girl may have come across this photo on social media, how will that make her feel? Will she feel she is not good enough for her sport? Will she second guess her worth?

We need to be teaching our children that they can be whoever they want to be and throw those gender stereotypes out the window and move on. It is a different world now, and everyone needs to be treated with respect on all platforms at all times with no exceptions. This photo contains sexist aspects through and through and this type of media is something I do not want to see on my Facebook timeline and I am disappointed that I came across this quote.

Work Cited

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