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This is what pisses me off about the constant bad faith victimhood crap people on the right do:

1. They wildly misrepresent something innocuous (no, Pelosi did not “ban” anything).

2. They come up with a “gotcha” example of hypocrisy... that relies on their misrepresentation.

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> — Daily Caller (@DailyCaller) January 2, 2021

This same exact nonsense gets trotted out constantly. “Oh, so now we’re not allowed to call ourselves husbands or mothers or uncles or aunts or men or women?! Outrage!” But no one at all is doing that, nor have they ever been doing that.

Yet the right loses its shit over this every few months. A lot of the time it’ll be something like... a lawmaker will introduce a bill that would tweak applications for marriage licenses to say “spouse 1” and “spouse 2” instead of just “husband/wife” because the status quo ...

... will have been creating actual legal issues for gay couples who then have to put something false on legal documents designating one of them as “wife.”

It’ll be something like that, just meant to fix an issue that has no material impact on 99% of people.

And the right, like clockwork, will lose their minds over it as though anyone is trying to “ban” the concept of someone being a husband or a wife or a man or a woman or whatever.

From a few years back, here’s Bill O’Reilly doing that https://t.co/5UBrFNR7eo

Here’s another 2015 example. A high school used to have different color graduation robes for boys and girls, but one year decided to just streamline it to a single color for all graduates. Barely noteworthy in local news let alone national. And yet...

https://t.co/PG1ihGdvvP

They do this anytime anyone updates anything in any way. Here's Lou Dobbs having a meltdown because the Navy Seals decided to stop using the term "brotherhood" to describe a group that includes women. Apparently this was very important to Lou! https://t.co/esKB3Ky4Sg

Anyway, I could add about 50 examples to this thread, but you get the idea. Whenever you see someone flipping out over banning gendered terms, know that virtually every time they're lying or misrepresenting whatever it is they're talking about.

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https://t.co/B58HleNDmt

Back in 2014, Fox went on a weeks-long campaign against a college adding gender neutral restrooms *in addition to* men's and women's restrooms various places around campus. It was weird! https://t.co/STSImmwGtu

This is a great example of how dishonest they are about it. Gretchen Carlson had a freak out over a rule she just... made up.

https://t.co/dTLFZVsRu5

I'm just exhausted by years of watching this sort of performative "PC CULTURE RUN AMOK!" outrage crap being created on the right. Here's when Fox freaked out because Mario wasn't described as a plumber anymore https://t.co/eEtPUHuCfa