# How microaggressions are like mosquito bites - Same Difference.

Narrator: For people who still don't think that microaggressions are a problem.

“Mosquito”: Oh, you're so well-spoke.

Oh!

Narrator: just imagine instead of being a stupid comment, a microaggression is a mosquito bite.

“Mosquito”: it's a compliment.

[Music]

Narrator: Mosquito bites and their itch are one of nature's most annoying features, but if

you're only bitten every once in a while…

“Mosquito”: No, where are you really from?

Uh, Cleveland…

Narrator: Sure, it's annoying but it's not that big a deal. The problem is that some people get bitten by mosquitoes a lot more than other people. I mean a lot more.

Narrator: Whether it's on a date.

“Mosquito”: Oh, Your English is so good!

Excuse me?

Narrator: Going grocery shopping.

“Mosquito”: You know, everything happens for a reason.

I'm just buying apples.

Narrator: Commuting to work.

“Mosquito”: So, when you gonna have a baby?

Narrator: Watching TV.

“Mosquito”: We have to keep the Redskins’ name, it’s part of our culture and history!

Narrator: Or just walking down the street with your partner.

“Mosquito”: I couldn't even tell you were gay!

Narrator: Mosquitoes seem to pop up everywhere.

“Mosquito”: Do you know John? Can you give me shopping advice?

Narrator: And getting bit by mosquitoes every goddamn day, multiple times a day is fucking annoying and makes you want to go ballistic on those mosquitos, which seems like a huge overreaction to people who only get it every once in a while.

“Mosquito”: it's just a mosquito bite, who cares? Just another angry black woman.

Narrator: Of course, beyond just being annoying some mosquitoes carry truly threatening diseases that can mess up your life for years.

“Mosquito”: Astrophysics? Hmm, maybe you should

try a less challenging major?

Ow, my dreams.

Narrator: And other mosquitoes carry strains that can

even kill you.

“Mosquito”: It looked like he was up to trouble, okay, I felt threatened.

Narrator: So next time you think someone's overreacting, just remember some people experience mosquito bites all the time.

“Mosquito”: You're all so exotic

Narrator: And by mosquito bites we mean microaggressions.