

Headphones

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I was writing on my laptop when the passenger sitting next to me asked why I was wearing my headphones (which were unplugged) but playing music from my laptop's external speakers. I ignored him for as long as I could, but his incessant nudging forced me to respond.

"I'm wearing headphones so I don't have to listen to your whining," I said. "And I'm playing music because I enjoy it."

I then turned up the volume to the maximum. He kept nudging me, but I didn't feel the need to respond further.

Needless to say, I am no longer allowed to fly on airplanes. Legally, anyway.