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I decided to write a Multimodal Action Project on a reading from our weekly modules. It was “Young Women Shouldn't Have to Talk Like Men to Be Taken Seriously” by Marybeth Seitz-Brown. In this reading, she talks about a personal experience of hers where she had an interview on the radio in which she believed she did good in and received a lot of praise. However, there were many others who told her that she should completely change her voice and the way she uptalks if she wants to be taken more seriously. She goes on to explain how uptalking isn't only done by women but men as well. This is what this meme depicts the double standard that men have for women and how they choose to ignore when men uptalk but then try to control women and the way that they talk. Telling them that their voice sounds like they are unsure of what they are saying or even that their voices sound too distracting to listen to.

I personally agree with what the article is trying to point out and also believe it's important to call out this type of sexism. To this day women are constantly viewed as lesser than

men there for not being able to authority or respect. Therefore men try to make women act more like them in order to gain their respect and be taken seriously. Not only do we see this happen to women but also to African Americans. With white men trying to make speak “proper English” because they believe that AAVE is broken English. However they don’t have a problem with southern people speaking even though they speak similarly to AAVE. Also, there is no such thing as “proper English” it's just that society made the way white men speak the correct way to speak even though there are multiple ways to speak English.