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Is South Park Funny? If So, Why?

While <South Park> has been becoming the object of cult for many fans in the U.S., it has also been the object of criticism by a number of religious groups and of warning for obscene humor and language by the press and critics. Endless barrage of indecent words and jokes often referring to human by-products and body parts leading to violent images and childish

actions may hit some viewers as a product of trash culture. However, as the producers remarked, <South Park> uses the childish wit and humor to utter social taboos such as racism and classism, to name a few, as an outlet of the twisted contemporary American culture. If what Freud had written in his book about humor gives an explanation why <South Park> is funny, it will be its unscreened outspoken "political-incorrecness" and effects of supressed tension that brings the viewers back to watch it episode after episode.

Before the Comedy Central's biggest hit comedy series <South Park> became the regular Wednesday evening program, the two creators and producers Trey Parker(30) and Matt Stone(29) had one of the rare opportunity to shine back in 1995. Former president of Fox2000 Television Brian Graden commissioned the two former film students at the University of Colorado to create a short Christmas video greetings, and Parker and Stone created a low-costed 5 minute animated video made of colored cardboards. The short bizarre episode about four third graders from a small mountain town called South Park being involved in a fist fight between Jesus and Santa Claus, <The Spirit of Christmas> became a big hit among the celebrities and more in Los Angeles and New York and eventually became the hit circulation among the internet users.

Since August 1997 on Comedy Central, <South Park> has been aired via cable television network together with immediate updates of episodes at the network's homepage <http://www.comedycentral.com/>, using the latest softwares, including flash, shockwave, RealVideo, and QuickTime to offer fans with the animation at its best view. www.comedycentral.com