

## **I THINK MAYBE THAT ANSWERS YOUR QUESTION**

*I think maybe that answers your question* is a sentence I heard while listening to an interview recently. In fact, I must have heard some variation of this sentence in every interview I've ever listened to. It is such a strange and beautiful phrase.

*I think maybe that answers your question.* The interviewee seems to want to appease the host... *look, I know I'm a fallible fool but I am working so hard to be clear for you! If anything, I am complimenting you because your question is so complex and interesting I really have to search deeply for my response.*

How does one answer a question? Like actually answer it? When is a point of perfect understanding ever reached? Has anyone ever truly answered a question? Has anyone ever truly asked one?

Plenty, I'm sure. And I don't need to name them.

My point is this,

questions and answers. The most exciting of human endeavors is the process of increasing the former and decreasing the latter.

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