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Runner-up Jermaine Jackson, the brother of pop star Michael, said he was "very happy" as he departed the house.

Former beauty queen Danielle Lloyd, one of the contestants implicated in the alleged racist abuse, earlier apologised for her remarks to Shetty.

Lloyd, 23, and fellow evictee Jack Tweed were greeted with heavy booing as they left the house in the first round of evictions held during the final show on Sunday.

Both were upset when shown footage of their behaviour towards Shetty, whose treatment at the hands of some of her housemates sparked a global race row.

On Friday, former S Club 7 star Jo O'Meara denied being a racist following her eviction.

"It's not because I'm racist at all. I think she's a very beautiful, very elegant woman.

"I can't say I am sorry for something I am not guilty of," she later told the Sunday Mirror. "If I went back in there then I'd say it all again."

Neither Goody nor O'Meara appeared to be at the live final on Sunday, although all the remaining evicted housemates attended the show.

Singer Ian 'H' Watkins, the third person to be evicted in the final show, told McCall that he felt "completely out of my depth" when fighting in the house was at its most intense.

"I just think I've led a very sheltered life and I just back away from things like that."

Media watchdog Ofcom received more than 40,000 complaints about the alleged racist bullying in the current series of the C4 reality TV show.

Goody, who was evicted more than a week ago, admitted her behaviour was "nasty" but denied being a racist.

"I happen to like Jade," Jackson told McCall in his exit interview. "She is who she is. But Shilpa is from another culture and they did not fit."

At the height of the row, politicians including Chancellor Gordon Brown became involved and Carphone Warehouse suspended its sponsorship of the series.