# Pet Peeves

## What Really Bothers Me



Everyone has small habits or situations that annoy them. For me, one thing that really gets on my nerves is people who speak loudly on their phones in quiet places. I understand that people need to answer calls, but I can't stand strangers who act as if nobody else is around them.

The thing that I hate the most is when people leave a mess in public places. I especially dislike restaurants where customers leave food and trash on the tables for workers to clean up. One thing that frustrates me is friends who arrive late without sending a message or apologizing.

Something that really bugs me is when people play videos without headphones on public transportation. I also dislike neighbors who play loud music late at night. The thing that embarrasses me is when people chew loudly during meals.

Even though these situations are annoying, I try to stay calm and patient. After all, everyone has habits that bother other people sometimes.

## Useful Phrases to Express Pet Peeves

- Something that bugs me is…
- One thing that annoys me is…
- The thing that I can't stand is…
- It really gets on my nerves when…
- I hate it when…
- One thing that frustrates me is…
- Something that really bothers me is…
- I get annoyed when…

## Common Pet Peeves Vocabulary

- people who chew loudly
- drivers who don't use turn signals
- neighbors who play loud music
- people who interrupt conversations
- classmates who copy homework
- friends who are always late
- people who litter in public places
- coworkers who leave phones ringing
- passengers who talk loudly on buses
- people who don't say "thank you"
- children who scream in restaurants
- people who play music without headphones
- slow internet connections
- long lines at stores

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## Exercise 1 – Match the Sentence Halves

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| 1. Something that bugs me is… | a. people interrupt me while I'm speaking. |
| 2. The thing that I hate is… | b. drivers don't use turn signals. |
| 3. One thing that frustrates me is… | c. talk loudly in movie theaters. |
| 4. I can't stand people who… | d. my friends arrive late every time. |
| 5. It gets on my nerves when… | e. people chew loudly during meals. |

## Exercise 2 – Complete the Sentences

1. Something _____ annoys me is people _____ leave trash on the street.
2. The thing _____ I can't stand is _____ people speak during movies.
3. One thing _____ frustrates me is classmates _____ never participate.
4. I hate it _____ people use their phones during conversations.
5. Something _____ bugs me is neighbors _____ play loud music late at night.

## Exercise 3 – Write Your Own Pet Peeves

1. Something that bugs me is _____
2. The thing that I can't stand is _____
3. One thing that frustrates me is _____
4. I hate it when _____
5. People who _____ annoy me.

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