

What's Your Pet Peeve ?

PEEVE \ˈpev\ *n* 1 : an annoyance 2 : a mood of resentment 3 : a distinctive complaint SYN : annoyance, irritation, nuisance, irritant, bother, aggravation

There are all kinds of Pet Peeves:

Traffic Peeves : Tailgaters

Does every teenage, baseball cap-wearing white male driving a white mid-sized Japanese car have to tailgate, no matter what lane you're in and no matter how fast you're going? On a similar note, what's the deal with drivers of 4x4s who insist on leaving only a hair's length between the front end of their car and the back end of yours at a stop light? It's not enough that they'll tailgate you when you're zipping along at 100 in the right hand lane - they have to be right next to you at the stoplight too.

Workplace Irritations: When people leave colored paper in the copier

Like I *want* my memos to go out pink!

Social Transgressions: People who let you embarrass yourself and don't tell you.

For example, when your zipper is undone, or you've got unsightly food on your teeth, or you're trailing a wad of toilet paper on your shoe... and people think they're being polite by not saying anything.

Bathroom Fury: Toilet paper rolls with too much glue on the starter sheet.

Then, when you try to get them started, you practically have to shred the roll to get the thing going, and there's that one little strip that just insists on its own particular rhythm--unraveling against the grain of the rest of the roll!

Product and Packaging Stupidity: Magazine inserts

You know, those annoying pieces of thin cardboard that fall out of a magazine or those that have been slid between the pages which prevents you to open the magazine completely?

Grocery Store Vexations: When the person in front of you only starts looking for their money after everything is packed

Like it has come as a surprise that they actually have to pay for the stuff...

Food Madness and Restaurant Insanities: Suggestive Selling

Thank you, I don't want your hot apple pie. I don't want to see the dessert menu. It's a restaurant, not a car dealer or dating service - I want to get away from high pressure sales pitches every once in a while.



Language Use and Abuse: Overcooked Slang

"Know what I'm sayin?" Yes. You don't have to say it AT THE END OF EVERY SENTENCE ...

Medical Mindbogglers: The dentist who acts like you can talk with a rubber dam in your mouth.

Next time, just mumble something and see if the dentist understands.

Miscellaneous Provocations:

It just makes you feel dumb, to be in the middle of composing a "message" and all of a sudden the damn machine screeches BEEEEEP and cuts you off.

Internet: Dead links or pages

All those 404 File Not Found errors. And fools with scads of graphics all over their pages, and a slow server to begin with .

Name your five biggest pet-peeves and briefly describe them:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

What about you?

Do you think there is something that you do that annoys someone else? If so, what is it? Describe it.
