

What are the most annoying things in the world? Actually, I couldn't think of that many examples which surprised me as I'm often fairly grumpy. Don't get me wrong, I do get annoyed, just not by too much variety. Let's start small and build up to the REALLY infuriating things...

### **Level 1 (no real feelings): Losing a penny**

I'm not so desperate for money I feel real annoyance when losing a penny, far from it, but I guess it's still annoying simply because it makes you feel a bit of a fool. It's at that point you realise if you lose something that actually matters, you're so much more screwed. Not very good for OCD, is it?

### **Level 2 (not even miffed): Not being able to sneeze**

I don't like huge sneezing FITS, but one or two sneezes from time to time? Sure. Which is why I get annoyed if I can't sneeze. I prefer not to cough though, who does? Isn't that weird?

### **Level 3 (slightly peeved): Spam emails**

It's ok for me to spam others, but it's not ok for others to spam me? Bingo. Get a life. And who even replies to spam? Would you reply to me if I said to you something like 'hey, I don't know you but I'm going to give you all my money... Why are you ignoring me? Don't you want all my money?... If you don't accept all my money I'll give it to someone else... Seriously take my money. Take my money now. Pleaseeeeeeeee'. Doesn't that sound a bit mental, to you? Such emails often come from Africa, one of the poorest places on Earth. To be fair, maybe Africans are poor because they give all their money away, I don't know.

### **Level 4 (kinda annoyed): Holes in socks**

Toes sticking out socks is just an annoying feeling, it really does stick with you the whole day. Even worse, your poor toes could end up becoming sore. Wet socks are perhaps equally annoying at least temporarily, but at least you can dry them, no? That's the magic of socks!

### **Level 5 (slightly frustrated): Various gym machines not working**

Sometimes this is ok, but if someone is hogging a machine and there's only one of them because one or more isn't working, THAT'S annoying. I like starting on the more tiring machines and ending up on the easier ones as it gives you something to look forward to! If such plans get interrupted, things just aren't the same!

### **Level 6 (annoyed): The phone ringing**

Only rarely do I get good news via phone (or anywhere), which is why I associate ringtones with a very mild sense of dread. No really, I often worry if a nurse will tell me blood tests have come back dodgy. Scary stuff. Luckily that pretty much never happens, and the very worst I usually have to deal with are annoying people offering services I'll never ever want.

**Level 7 (very annoyed): Being stung by a bee**

You're invading MY house and you're stinging ME because I'm disturbing you? Obnoxious creatures. I forget which sting is more painful - that of a bee or a wasp - but wasps sounds more badass at least. By that I mean there is a heavy metal band called W.A.S.P, but can you imagine a metal band called Bee?

**Level 8 (mental pain): The internet not working**

A lot of the time I don't even need the internet, I just need to know if the news has changed in England in the last ten minutes or so. If I don't know? It's like going back to the stone age, and coincidentally, I feel like clubbing a poor guy on the head.

**Level 9 (long term mental pain): Cracking a CD case**

Ah, I bet you knew this one was coming. It just hurts, that's all.

**Level 10 (anger): Punctured bike tires, miles from home**

This one is surprising in a way, as when it happens to other people, it's actually funny. Other cyclists are prone to hogging the road, clearly thinking they're better than motorists, but naturally when I cycle, I do so with grace, intelligence and just a hint of style.

**Level 11 (anger x2): Cracking a rare CD case**

Luckily this basically never happens, but there is the fear.

**Level 12 (a pain that is always at the back of my mind): Mega confusing emails from AdSense**

The emails I get from my website adverts company are borderline nonsensical. I could spend half an hour or so concentrating really hard so I can understand a good two sentences, but I have other things I'd like to do in life! A lot of the time I just assume or make educated guesses that the company is just informing me of things I don't have to deal with, but if I'm wrong? Oh no.

**Level 13 (I'm never getting over this one): Being ripped off by a bellend**

Someone once crashed into the back of my car causing around £600 worth of damage and he said he'd pay it, but only ended up giving me £200. Not only that, he gave me a nonsensical excuse for crashing, he said there was ice on the road but I certainly didn't notice any, it was Summer. Ok, fair enough, that was a lie it WAS late Autumn, but I'm allowed to lie because he did too. I'm betting he was drunk. To be fair, the guy wasn't a complete bellend, but he was two thirds of one, and that's an opinion backed up with solid evidence and maths! What gets to me is he gave me some sob story. Sure I didn't care obviously, but at least I pretended I did. :(

Ok, that's all I could think of anyway. Let's get the help of the beautifully working

internet to see other common answers... Waiting in queues makes sense, I suppose. Deleting spam emails! Yes, that's what I said!... Filling in online forms that don't work? That's a good one, I should have definitely mentioned that... Cleaning the oven doesn't really apply to me as I'm almost certainly never going to cook anything in my life. Way too dangerous. Finding the start of sellotape isn't the end of the world, but I guess that's annoying too. Would you believe being ripped off by a bellend was never mentioned online? Again, that's the worst one, no doubt. Bye!