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Living with my ex-roommate was unbearable. First she thought everything she owned, from clothes to cosmetics, was the best. If someone complimented my pants, she would point out that her designer jeans looked better and would last longer because they were made of better material. If she borrowed my shampoo, she would let me know that it did not get her hair as clean and shiny as hers did. My hand cream was not as smooth; my suntan lotion was not as protective; not even my wire clothes hangers were as good as her padded ones! But despite her pickiness about products, she had numerous filthy habits. Her dirty dishes remained in the sink for ages before she got the incentive to wash them. Piles of the "best" brand of tissues were regularly discarded from her upper bunk and strewn about the floor. Her desk and closet overflowed with heaps of dirty clothes, books, cosmetics, and whatever else she owned, and she rarely brushed her teeth. When she did brush, she left oozes of toothpaste on the sink. Finally, she constantly acted immaturely by throwing tantrums when things did not go her way. A poor grade on an exam or paper, for example, meant books, shoes, or any other small object within her reach would hit the wall flying. Furthermore, she would get irate if her phone calls were not returned on time. Living with such a person taught me some valuable lessons about how not to win friends or keep roommates.

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