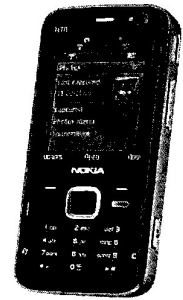


TOP OFFICE BUGBEARS

Which aspects of office life annoy you the most? In a recent survey about office bugbears, the following things were mentioned. What do you think was said about each of them?



phones tea and coffee food computers printers emails mobile phones

Read the article and check your ideas.



The Guardian

Bad habits are top office bugbears

Colleagues who shout down the phone, never offer to make tea and coffee, or bring smelly food into the office

for lunch, are among the top bugbears of employees, according to a new study.

The irritating habits of colleagues dominate a list of things that annoy workers, although computer problems also rank highly among office staff across the country.

A survey of 1,500 workers published yesterday by Samsung Electronics found that slow computer systems, printer jams and unnecessary emails were a daily misery for workers.

The research also showed that loud colleagues, annoying mobile phone ringtones,

people eating smelly food in the office or never offering to make a round of drinks, also made workers angry.

Dion Smith of Samsung UK said: "It's really interesting to see this 'can't live with it, can't live without it' approach to technological developments from office workers in the UK. "It appears that all the fantastic benefits technology can bring to an office environment are being counteracted by its misuse."

Office workers said they would like to see the development of an automatic paper jam fixer and self-filling toner cartridges.

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