

## So we can stand closer to the sink

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Sometimes life can make it hard for me to appreciate being a woman. I am a confident girl, proud of whom I am and what I possess, but it's not all fun and games. I understand that God made men first, so maybe the reason women seem to have a few more difficulties in life because he accidently gave them the good stuff.



Sure, women have style, beauty and different bodies, and it does seem that because chaps don't have any of those things that perhaps those are some of the attributes that attract them to women. But it just so happens that all things men seem to love about women aren't always just peaches 'n cream.

Indeed, lassies seem to deal with more double standards than lads. One prime example is when men sleep with many women they are considered studly, God-like, even a man among boys. However, when women accomplish those same feats - even in smaller portions - they are dubbed as sluts and whores. Unfair? What do you think?

When it comes to appearance, a lot more is expected of ladies. For example, we are expected to style our hair and put on makeup every time we venture out into the public's eye. We have to dress well every day as nobody cares about having a "fat day" and sweats are still frowned upon. For men, makeup is seldom worn (usually unwanted) and most women are just as attracted to them in a t-shirt and jeans or a nice tux.

Here comes the worst of all of it: our bodies. It is so easy for gals to gain weight and almost impossible for them to lose it. Women work their asses off (don't we all wish so literally) to lose weight, and it still is twice as hard for us. Furthermore, whether you have them or not, boobs are nothing but trouble. We have to buy a bra for every different occasion and activity. Yet no matter how many bras a woman has, very few are actually comfortable. Women who have boobs usually don't want as much as they have, and for some they even cause back problems. Women that don't have boobs would do almost

anything to get them. And no matter how much a woman has, they spend way too much time trying to make them look good before they go out. Basically, being stuck with breasts is a no win situation, I pretty sure the only ones winning that game are those containing a lot more testosterone than the normal female.

I don't know if everyone is aware of this, but only women have babies. Although I've never experienced nature's reproducing phenomenon, we all know how painful it looks. No matter how beautiful the results may be, I'm going to go out on a limb and say that the reproduction process is much easier for men. Two pumps and a squirt versus nine months of agony; you be the judge.

While we're heading down to the reproductive organs, I want everyone to know it is so much easier for men to pee. Being from Montana, I have been put in many situations where I had to pee outdoors near my penis-doting friends.

Boys can just turn their backs, take care of business and move on. Women have to find a hidden spot, squat (which on rough terrain it is always fun to keep your balance), somehow wipe, if one didn't pack some toilet paper then leaves usually work, but make sure you know your plants first. But if one can't wipe, be ready for an uncomfortable day.

Women have to deal with a lot more regular doctor's appointments. Although many women say with age one will get used to these appointments, I am not yet comfortable with a stranger checking my breasts for lumps or shoving a cold metal tool into my va-jay-jay.

But worst of all is vaginal bleeding. Men simply cannot understand how terrible this is. As far as they are concerned, it's a once a month visit from Aunt Flow in which women irrationally flip out and complain of false pains. I would just like to say that women who get their period only once a month zzare lucky, as some women have their periods for months at a time and they get such bad cramps they spend the day hugging the toilet throwing up. Also, with some birth control women can be lucky enough to only have their periods four times a year.

Of all our beautiful traits, those that set us apart from men often times aren't as beautiful as they seem. Almost every woman has experienced pain from our bodies, style and beauty. It's an interesting world we live in. I am sure men have their difficulties, too (I've heard blue balls to be a great revenge), and obviously there are two sides to everything, one is beautiful and the other is usually ferocious and roaring. The fact of the matter is, you don't always see what you get.