

Carolyn - From A Banana & Mint Gum Diet to Delivering QC Success

Carolyn S. (Allegedly Real Human Being)

"If it's broken, she'll fix it. If it's not broken, she'll still yell at it until it improves."

Carolyn S. is a notoriously foul-mouthed Quality Control (QC) equipment specialist based in Cambridge, Ontario, best known for her unparalleled ability to troubleshoot highly sensitive laboratory instruments while delivering profanity at a density previously thought impossible outside of competitive rap battles.

Early Life (The Banana & Mint Gum Era)

Carolyn was born in the quiet rural community of Stratford, Ontario, into what historians have generously described as a "nutritionally experimental" household. Raised on a strict diet consisting exclusively of bananas and mint gum, she developed two key lifelong traits:

1. A permanent distrust of fruit
2. Breath so aggressively fresh it has been used to sterilize glassware

Locked in her room for most of her childhood, Carolyn reportedly passed the time by reverse-engineering imaginary lab equipment using only a broken alarm clock, a shoelace, and what she later described as "pure rage." By age 12, she had independently mastered chemistry instrumentation, life sciences, and basic finance—primarily to calculate how much she would charge her parents for emotional damages (an invoice still pending).

Communication Style (Profanity as a Second Language)

Carolyn is widely recognized for her unique linguistic pattern, in which **no sentence contains fewer than five profane words**, regardless of context.

Examples include:

- “This *[expletive]* pump is *[expletive]* cavitating like a *[expletive]* washing machine.”
- “Tell that *[expletive]* vendor their *[expletive]* quote is *[expletive]* nonsense.”

Despite multiple attempts at corporate communication training, instructors reportedly resigned mid-session, citing “verbal atmospheric conditions incompatible with human survival.”

Career (Equipment Whisperer / Vendor Terror)

Carolyn currently works as a QC equipment technician for an unnamed pharmaceutical company in Cambridge, Ontario. Her responsibilities include maintaining, repairing, and psychologically intimidating laboratory instruments into peak performance.

She is particularly famous for her daily phone calls with vendors such as Waters and Agilent, during which she:

- Reduces service quotes by sheer verbal force
- Diagnoses problems faster than the vendor can finish saying “Have you tried—”
- Causes at least one customer service representative per quarter to reconsider their career path

It is estimated that Carolyn saves the company **hundreds of dollars daily**, primarily by refusing to accept anything she describes as “absolute *[expletive]* nonsense pricing.”

Notable Achievements

- Successfully repaired an HPLC system using only a screwdriver, duct tape, and a 17-minute rant
- Once intimidated a malfunctioning spectrometer into recalibrating itself

- Holds the unofficial world record for “Most Swear Words Used During a Single Preventive Maintenance Check” (approx. 1,842)
 - Created a budgeting spreadsheet so aggressive it automatically rejects unnecessary expenses with the message: “*Absolutely not.*”
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Personal Life

Carolyn is known to relax by:

- Yelling at slow Wi-Fi routers
- Organizing tools with military precision
- Filing complaints against inanimate objects

She reportedly owns a houseplant that thrives purely out of fear.

Legacy and Cultural Impact

Within her workplace, Carolyn has become a near-mythical figure. New employees are often warned:

“If something’s broken, call Carolyn. If *Carolyn* calls you... good luck.”

Her influence has led to the unofficial adoption of a new maintenance philosophy:

“**Fix it fast, fix it right, and don’t accept garbage.**”

See Also

- Aggressive troubleshooting
 - Cost reduction through intimidation
 - Advanced profanity engineering
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