

When you 'can't stand somebody', you dislike him / her very much. The idiom 'I can't stand the sight of somebody / something' also means the same.

I can't stand the sight of blood.

He can't stand his boss.

She can't stand her rich neighbor.

Read the sample conversation given below.

Story line: Sara is upset with her roommate Ann because she brings her friends over late night. She talks about these problems during a conversation with her friend Stella.

Stella: So, how is your new roommate?

Sara: I can't stand her. She really turns me off.

Stella: What happened? You don't seem to like her.

Sara: To be frank, I don't. I've serious issues with her. You know what? She brings her friends over late at night, almost every night and then they keep the lights and music on. I'm fed up. I don't get any sleep.

Stella: Why don't you have a heart-to-heart talk with her? She isn't supposed to behave like that.

Sara: I did have a talk with her and things were okay for a few days but now she's started bringing her friends again.

Stella: In that case you should complain to your landlady and get her evicted.

Sara: I think that's exactly what I'm going to do now.