

Charmaine rushed to answer the pounding on the front door. It was a vacuum cleaner salesman.

Before she could say that she was not interested he pushed past her and began pouring some powder on her rug.

"Hey, wait, stop dat!" Charmaine said.

"Don't worry little lady. This is the best machine ever made. If it doesn't get this dust up completely I'll lick it off myself," the salesman told her and plugged in the power cord.

The salesman clicked the power switch to ON - nothing happened. The salesman looked over at Charmaine.

"The electricity has been off ever since the hurricane," Charmaine explained, "Would you like some salt and pepper with dat?"

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