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DO YOU HAVE A DEBBIE?

She built the system. She's the only one who understands it. Six quick questions about the process your business can least afford to lose: check one answer for each, add up your points, and see where you land.

PICK THE ANSWER THAT FITS BEST	0 POINTS	1 POINT	2 POINTS
1. How many tabs does your most important spreadsheet have?	☐ Under 5	☐ 5 to 15	☐ More than 15
2. Is there written documentation for how it works?	☐ Yes, and it's current	☐ Some	☐ No
3. If the person who runs it were out for two weeks, what happens?	☐ Business as usual	☐ We'd scramble	☐ We'd be stuck
4. Who knows the password, and where is it?	☐ Shared securely	☐ A couple of people	☐ One person, or a sticky note
5. How many people could run this process tomorrow?	☐ Three or more	☐ One or two	☐ Just one
6. How much of the process depends on someone just "knowing" the answer?	☐ Little	☐ Some	☐ Most

YOUR TOTAL

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0–3
Debbie-proof
Nicely done.

4–8
Debbie-adjacent
Very fixable.

9–12
You have a Debbie
Don't panic.

TURN OVER FOR WHAT YOUR SCORE MEANS →

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Debbie isn't the problem. Having only one Debbie is.

0–3 points

Debbie-proof

Nicely done. Keep documenting.

Your most important work doesn't depend on any one person. Write down what changes, and run this check again every six months.

4–8 points

Debbie-adjacent

A Debbie in the making. Very fixable.

Parts of how you run live with one or two people. Now is the calm, cheap time to get that knowledge out of their heads.

9–12 points

You have a Debbie

Don't panic. Do call someone.

A lot of how your business works lives in one person, one spreadsheet, or both. It isn't their fault, but one long absence would hurt.

DEBBIE-PROOFING, IN THREE STEPS

1

Get it out of her head

We sit down with the people who know the process and map what they actually do.

2

Get it out of the spreadsheet

We build custom software around your real workflow. The manual work around the spreadsheet is usually the problem.

3

Get it into a system anyone can run

One place, simple to learn, so a new person can take over without a 40-tab treasure hunt.

WHAT A 30-MINUTE CONVERSATION LOOKS LIKE

We listen.
Which process worries you most, and who it depends on.

We look.
Where the knowledge lives and what would break if someone were out.

We tell you honestly.
Whether custom software would help. If we're not the right fit, we'll say so.

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUR DEBBIE.

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