

KATY MAGAZINE PRESENTS REAL-LIFE

CONFESSIONS OF A *Katy Parent*

There are times when you can't believe you did that. Katy parents reveal some of their most embarrassing parenting moments.

Our sources' initials were used to protect the embarrassed.

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Bedtime Story

"When my kids were little, I would put them to bed with a story and prayer and oftentimes lay with them for a bit. One night when I was especially tired, I was lying with my daughter. She was in kindergarten and asked me a question about the names of her principals at school. As I answered, I thought I didn't understand her correctly. She did not say anything for a bit, then this sweet little voice asked, 'Mama, are you talking in cursive, because I don't understand what you are saying?' Come to find out, I was giving her names of vegetables!"

- K.A.

Sleepy Tooth Fairy

"When my daughter was little, one of her teeth fell out. She was so excited and put it under her pillow, knowing the tooth fairy would leave money. I told her good night and reminded myself that I needed to return later to put the money under her pillow. I woke up to the sound of my daughter's voice, 'Mommy, the tooth fairy did not leave me any money.' I realized I fell asleep and never made it to my daughter's room. I had to think of something quick. I got some dollar bills and told her that I would help her look for the money. When she was not looking, I put the money inside the pillow case and said, 'Look I found it! The tooth fairy did leave you some money.'"

- N.P.

Skipping Naps

"Sometimes I let my daughter skip her nap so she will go to bed two hours early. It's a relaxing time for mom to drink wine and watch chick-flicks."

- E.F.

Sorry, Not Sharing

"During a trip to Universal Studios, my family and I got a chance to visit Harry Potter World, and I absolutely had to sample some of the butterbeer made famous by the books. It's really just glorified cream soda, but when my 7-year-old asked me for a sip, I told him that it was real beer and only for grown-ups because I didn't want to share it. I'm not sure I can really be called a 'grown-up' after that."

- A. L.

Stop Drawing on the Car

"Our daughter was 'drawing' something on our dirty car and her daddy scolded her for doing that, indicating to her that when you do, you can scratch and therefore damage the surface of the car. So of course she stopped. Later, he came back only to find out she had drawn an 'I love you, daddy,' on it. He was crushed."

- M.C.

The Joys of Pregnancy

"I was sitting in the doctor's office waiting to have my prenatal visit. The longer I sat, the more I felt pressure building up in my stomach. When my name was finally called, I stood up and a long chorus of flatulence came out. I didn't have the courage to turn around to the other women and say excuse me."

- J.I.

Dialing the Wrong Number

"While my son was at grandma's house over the summer, he picked up the phone and tried calling me, but called 911 instead! The cops came to grandma's house, and everyone starting singing, 'Bad boy, bad boy, what you gonna do, what ya gonna do when they come for you!'"

- R.A.

Do you have an entertaining or embarrassing parenting story to share? Email us! editor@katymagazine.com. Don't worry, we won't reveal your real name.



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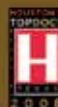
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