

Confessions of a KATY PARENT

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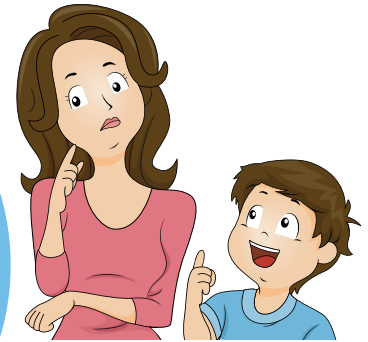
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You're Fine

"One of our sons had been complaining about his index finger hurting, but I was sure he was just trying to get out of piano practice. I insisted he would survive, and said he still needed to practice. Three weeks later, at a well-check, I mentioned the finger in an effort to get my son to stop complaining about it. The pediatrician took one look and said, 'Yep, that looks like a broken finger to me.' X-rays confirmed a fracture after I made the poor kid practice piano with a broken finger for weeks." - S.P.

Jerky Boss

"At a wedding for a co-worker's son, I introduced my 9-year-old daughter to my boss's wife. My daughter looked up and said, 'I thought you said your boss was a jerk.' Luckily, this boss and his wife know I adore them and wasn't speaking of him. Our daughter, meanwhile, got a huge lecture about how mommy could be fired if she said those words to the wrong wife!" - B.H.



Kool-Aid Meltdown

"I had settled my five children at the table for lunch with red Kool-Aid to drink. Within seconds, one of my kids accidentally knocked over her cup. I calmly cleaned up the mess, and just as I was pouring her a new cup, another cup was knocked over. Irritated now, I cleaned up the mess and set down a new cup for the second child, warning everyone to be careful. Minutes later, a third child knocked over a cup. I lost it. I walked around the table and systematically knocked everyone's cups over, red Kool-Aid everywhere. 'There,' I said. 'Now there are no more cups of Kool-Aid to knock over.' I, of course, instantly regretted my actions because I was left with a real mess to clean." - S.P.

New Subject

"On a Sunday in January, I asked my preschool-aged daughter what she'd learned about at church. She said, 'Moses. Baby Jesus is over! Finally!'" - L.V.

You're Pretty

"At the Dairy Queen drive thru, a high school-aged cashier handed my husband his order. In the back seat, our 2-year-old said quietly, 'I think you're pretty.' The cashier leaned closer and said, 'I couldn't hear you.' Our daughter suddenly felt shy, and went silent. 'I think you're pretty,' my husband filled in proudly. The cashier froze, an awkward silence ensued." - B.M.

Porta Potty Purse

"When our first-born was 2, she had just been potty-trained. Around that time, we took a long road trip to Mexico. We were new parents, and my wife was very concerned about our daughter losing all of her training, or having to go when we were in the middle of nowhere. So she took the little potty on the road with us and toted it everywhere we went, just like a purse." - G.T.

So Long Fifi

"When my in-laws went out of town, we took care of their dog. We are not really used to pets, and their dog was not used to us. Fifi would not go out to do her business, nervously pee all the way out the door, was scared of my husband, and her food smelled awful. When my in-laws arrived home to pick up their dog, our daughter quickly went inside the house and, without a greeting or anything, started bringing all of Fifi's stuff out to their car, one by one: her food, bowls, leash, and bed. She said nothing - just handed the things to them as if to say: never again. Please leave and take your dog with you." - A.T.

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