

A KATY MAGAZINE FUN QUIZ

What's Your MOM STYLE?

Hey Katy moms! When it comes to parenting, do you run a tight ship or let the household sink or swim? You might be all one style or a combo mom. Take this simple quiz to find out your mom style!

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1. LEISURE If your kids are home with nothing to do, how do you keep them busy?

- A. My kids are rarely at home with nothing to do. Leisure is lethal so I keep them busy.
- B. I let them watch movies or play on the computer, but then I may also plan an activity with them.
- C. They can do whatever they want as long as they don't bug me.
- D. We make up activities using organic paints or recycled materials and create whatever they imagine.

2. VACATIONS What is your ideal family vacation?

- A. A well-planned fun vacation with a daily schedule and activities galore.
- B. A cruise or place that has something for everyone so I can also have some "me time."
- C. A resort where the kids can run off and play while I lie on the beach and have a cocktail.
- D. A state park with hiking, fishing, s'mores, and other family fun adventures.

3. SLEEPING It's Friday night. Where are your kids sleeping?

- A. In their own bedrooms of course. Our room is off limits to children at bedtime.
- B. In their own bedrooms, unless they get sick or have a nightmare and need us.
- C. In their bed, my bed, the couch, grandma's, a friend's house, or wherever they lay their heads.
- D. In their own room with lead-free painted walls and hypoallergenic, cotton bedding.

4. MEALS What does dinner time look like at your house?

- A. Dinner is planned out most nights and kids are expected to eat what they're served.
- B. We eat at home most nights, but we occasionally eat out, too. I definitely limit junk food.
- C. We eat easy stuff like fish sticks, soup and sandwiches, fast food, or whatever.
- D. I try to only serve my kids organic meals and non-processed foods.

5. ACTIVITIES What activities do you encourage your child to participate in?

- A. Each child is signed up for many extracurricular activities. Things we know they'll like.
- B. Each child is involved in one or two things they really enjoy.
- C. I let my kids decide. They can choose however many activities they want.
- D. Actually, I prefer that my kids have more free play and less organized activities.

6. SCHOOLING How involved are you in their schooling?

- A. I'm extremely involved. I know all their teachers and what projects they're working on.
- B. I keep tabs on their homework and go to school functions and conferences as needed.
- C. I let the school do it's job and I do mine. I go to some of their events, but that's about it.
- D. I homeschool them to make sure they're getting the kind of education they need.

7. DISCIPLINE Which one represents your style of discipline?

- A. I set high expectations for behavior and consistently enforce consequences as stated.
- B. I usually enforce consequences, but I sometimes give them a chance to improve first.
- C. I'm too exhausted to enforce consequences consistently so they get away with certain things.
- D. I usually just talk to my child about doing better and try to get to the root of the behavior.

8. MORNINGS What does the morning routine look like at your house?

- A. It's a well-oiled machine. Bags and lunches are packed and everyone is out the door like clockwork.
- B. It's a little hectic but we seem to always get to where we need to go on time.
- C. I don't know because I'm usually asleep for most of it or zombie-ing my way through.
- D. I think it's best to allow the kids time to rouse and get their bearings on their own timeline.

9. CLOTHES How involved are you in your child's clothing choices?

- A. I pick out most of their clothes and they are only allowed to wear certain things.
- B. I pick out some of their clothes but they have a lot of say in what they wear.
- C. If they get to school on time and they're not barefoot and in pajamas, it's a good day!
- D. My child has their own opinions and can choose what makes them happy and comfortable.

GRADING YOUR QUIZ

Mostly A's =

Strict

You run a tight ship and are always on schedule.

HELPFUL ADVICE

It's okay to be organized, but don't forget to let your kids be kids.

Mostly B's =

Balanced

You've got great instincts as a mom and allow your children some freedom.

HELPFUL ADVICE

Continue to allow your kids freedom, but don't give them too much space or you may lose them.

Mostly C's =

Low Key

You adore your kids as much as you love your independence.

HELPFUL ADVICE

Try to bring more order into the home because kids do well with structure.

Mostly D's =

Earthy

You mother by intuition and love and want the very best for your kids.

HELPFUL ADVICE

It's great that you allow so much freedom, but kids still need some direction.