

Braking News

From your friends at **Jackson Auto Worx**

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Keep your score of these essential personality tests to prepare you for Christmas and for your New Year's resolutions

You reuse last year's Christmas cards and send them out under your own name. (5 points)

You steal light bulbs from you neighbor's outdoor display to replenish your own supply. (5 points, 10 if neighbor's whole light sets or lighted Santa goes out)

You have dressed a dog or cat as Santa Claus, elf helper, or reindeer. (10 points for each; if you dressed an endangered species, 5 extra points)

You put out last year's stale candy canes for children. (1 point for each piece of sticky candy) If you put out a chocolate or marzipan Santa also, add 10 points

You enclose an inferior gift from Target, Walmart, or K-Mart in a Macy's or other prestige box to impress your friends. (5 points for each infraction)

You make collect long distance phone calls to your family on Christmas day, claiming you are stuck in a phone booth. (5 points, 10 if from a cell phone)

At the office Christmas party, you horde huge stockpiles of goodies for later consumption at home. (5 points; 15 points if you use this stuff for your own party)

After an invitation to a friend's house, you bring a commercially produced fruitcake and try to pass it off as home made. (5 points; 15 points if the fruitcake is from last year)

Any stealing from the Toys-for-Tots collection bins is a definite no-no. (20 points)



Check out your Christmas personality on page 2

Trivial Matters:

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THANK YOU,

Paul & Beth Harkins

We appreciate your support & can't wait to serve you again!

A 4-year-old boy was asked to give the meal blessing before Christmas dinner. All the family members bowed their heads in expectation.

He began his prayer, thanking God for all his friends, naming them one by one. Then he thanked God for Mommy, Daddy, brother, sister, Grandma, Grandpa, and all his aunts and uncles.

Then he began to thank God for the food. He gave thanks for the turkey, the dressing, the fruit salad, the cranberry sauce, the pies, the cakes, even the Cool Whip.

Then he paused, and everyone waited--and waited.

After a long silence, the young fellow looked up at his mother and asked, "If I thank God for the broccoli, won't he know that I'm lying?"



"I wrote assembly instructions for Children's toys. What did you do?"

"Pets, like their owners, tend to expand a little over the Christmas period."

- Frances Wright

Tally your scores from Page 1!

Evaluate your score on the "Grinch Scale" from 20 to 100.

20-30: You are just a cheese ball.

30-50: You are an apprentice in Yuletide crime.

50-100: Grinch, move over. The King of Christmas crime has arrived.

Ever wonder what dogs think of certain aspects of their lives? Well here's a little bit about the doggie dictionary...

Leash: A strap which attaches to your collar, enabling you to lead your person where you want him/her to go.

Dog bed: any soft, clean surface, such as the white bedspread in the guest room or the newly upholstered couch in the living room.

Drool: Is what you do when your persons have food and you don't. To do this properly you must sit as close as you can and look sad and let the drool fall to the floor, or better yet, on their laps.

Sniff: A social custom to use when you greet other dogs.

Garbage can: A container which your neighbors put out once a week to test your ingenuity. You must stand on your hind legs and try to push the lid off with your nose. If you do it right you are rewarded with margarine wrappers to shred, beef bones to consume and moldy crusts of bread.



Deafness: This is a malady which affects dogs when their person want them in and they want to stay out. Symptoms include staring blankly at the person, then running in the opposite direction, or lying down.

Thunder: This is a signal that the world is coming to an end. Humans remain amazingly calm during thunderstorms, so it is necessary to warn them of the danger by trembling uncontrollably, panting, rolling your eyes wildly, and following at their heels.

Wastebasket: This is a dog toy filled with paper, envelopes, and old candy wrappers. When you get bored, turn over the basket and strew the papers all over the house until your person comes home.

Love: Is a feeling of intense affection, given freely and without restriction. The best way you can show your love is to wag your tail and jump on them. If you're lucky, a human will love you in return.

Thank You!

A very special thanks goes out to our Client of the Month:

Steve Miller

We know there are a lot of choices when it comes to your vehicle's repair, and we are truly honored by the trust you have placed in us. Thanks again! We couldn't do it without the support of great clients like you!

"Mary, what would you do if you caught your husband with another woman?" asked Dawn thoughtfully one day.

"Another woman with MY husband?" Mary thought it over.

"Let's see. I'd break her cane, shoot her guide dog, and call a cab to take her back to the institution she escaped from."

Christmas facts you never knew

Ever wondered where the idea of elves came from? They are actually modern day versions of "Nature folk" described in Pagan religions of the past.

The Holy Days and Fasting Act of 1551 in Britain declares that all its country's citizens must attend the annual church services held on Christmas day. In fact it goes as far as stating that no vehicle should be used to travel to church on this day. The law still exists on the books, although it is not observed.

The tradition of burning a Yule log actually has its roots in ancient Scandinavia. Supposedly the Yule log was a source of good luck and its remnants



were saved to inspire good fortune throughout the year. It was such a widely held belief that people even threw the ashes in wells to make the water safer to drink.

It was once believed that any woman who went under a mistletoe and was not kissed would not marry the coming year.

If you counted all the gifts that were given in the song "Twelve Days of Christmas" you would realize that the number of gifts being presented were 364 in total, thus a gift was given for each day of the year.

Wow! Did they really give you that?!?!

See if you can find all not-so-great Christmas gifts!

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BOOKS	BRA	FIREWOOD
FRUITCAKE	GIFT CARD	JELLO MOLD
LAWN MOWER	LIGHT BULB	PLANTS
RE GIFT	SCARVES	SCRATCH OFF
SHOVEL	SOCKS	SWEATER
SWIMSUIT	TUPPERWARE	UNDERWEAR

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Turn the page to...

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- 02 Read up on some **Doggie Dictionary Terms.**
- 03 Discover some **Interesting Christmas Facts.**

Win \$25 Gift

See page 1 for details!

Last Month's Winner -

Ellen Brewington

December 2014

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December 10—Human Rights Day

December 16—First day of
Hanukkah

December 25—Christmas

December 31—New Year's Eve



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Sometimes, Mom's need to write letters to Santa too...

Dear Santa,
I've been a good mom all year. I've fed, cleaned and cuddled my two children on demand, visited the doctor's office more than my doctor, sold sixty-two cases of candy bars to raise money to plant a shade tree on the school playground and figured out how to attach nine patches onto my daughter's girl scout sash with staples and a glue gun.

I was hoping you could spread my list out over several Christmases, since I had to write this letter with my son's red crayon, on the back of a receipt in the laundry room between cycles, and who knows when I'll find anymore free time in the next 18 years.

Here are my Christmas wishes:

I'd like a pair of legs that don't ache after a day of chasing

kids (in any color, except purple, which I already have) and arms that don't flap in the breeze but are strong enough to carry a screaming toddler out of the candy aisle in the grocery store. I'd also like a waist, since I lost mine somewhere in the seventh month of my last pregnancy.

If you're hauling big ticket items this year I'd like a car with fingerprint resistant windows and a radio that only plays adult music; a television that doesn't broadcast any programs containing talking animals; and a refrigerator with a secret compartment behind the crisper where I can hide to talk on the phone.

On the practical side, I could use a talking daughter doll that says, "Yes, Mommy" to boost my parental confidence, along with one potty-trained toddler, two kids who don't fight and three pairs of jeans that will zip all the

way up without the use of power tools. I could also use a recording of Tibetan monks chanting, "Don't eat in the living room" and 'Take your hands off your brother,' because my voice seems to be just out of my children's hearing range and can only be heard by the dog.

Would it be too much trouble to declare ketchup a vegetable? It will clear my conscience immensely. It would be helpful if you could coerce my children to help around the house without demanding payment as if they were the bosses of an organized crime family.

Help yourself to cookies on the table but don't eat too many or leave crumbs on the carpet.

Yours Always... Mom

P.S. you can cancel all my requests if you can keep my children young enough to believe in you.