***Dr. Jim Sears’ Babysitting Readiness Quiz:***

**Are you ready to be a babysitter?**

**Around younger children, which do you tend to do:**

A. Tease the younger kids

B. Observe the younger kids

C. Attempt to teach or engage younger kids

**If you were alone with a younger sibling for an entire day:**

A. You have to admit, you’re scared to think about what might go on.

B. You think you’d PROBABLY be okay, but are pretty sure there would be some rules broken.

C. You are almost sure you would be absolutely fine.

**In situations where young children are present, you tend to:**

A. Avoid them most of the time, trying to be alone or with older people

B. Spend SOME time with them, but loses interest over time

C. Spends almost every minute with them

**If given the choice, you would rather:**

A. Play with a video game

B. Play with a pet or kids his or her own age

C. Play with younger siblings, family members or friends

**Alone in an emergency, you would be more likely to:**

A. Panic and become hysterical, upsetting everyone around

B. Become anxious, but not fall apart

C. Remember what to do in the moment, even if you fell apart later on

**When asked to do household chores, you:**

A. Are most likely to blow them off

B. Will put them off, and will only do them after much poking and prodding from your parents

C. Do them eagerly and regularly, rarely having to be reminded

**Teachers and friends would most likely describe you as:**

A. A handful! Outspoken with a precocious streak

B. A good kid, but sometimes absentminded

C. Responsible and reliable

**You and younger sibling tend to fight:**

A. Daily ‐ about anything and everything!

B. Occasionally ‐ about things that matter

C. Almost never ‐ we get along very well

**After a fight with siblings, you:**

A. Complains and sulks until your parent steps in

B. Show you upset, but can usually let it go in about a day or so

C. Apologizes and moves on

**In school, you:**

A. Get reprimanded by the teacher fairly frequently for breaking the rules

B. Are typically in line with the exception of talking in class or other minor infractions

C. Usually follow the rules to at all times