

Quilters Quiz

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Are you new to quilting or an old pro? Take this quiz and see where you stack up-- or print out a few copies and try it on your quilt guild. At the end of the test, the multiple choice answers will be listed with a point value, so that you may add up your score.

Have fun!

1. If your house is taken over by UFOs, you—
 - a. Call the Air Force and request help from scientists at Area 51.
 - b. Call the local quilt guild for sewing assistance.
 - c. Ignore them and start a new quilting project.
2. Prairie points are
 - a. Squares of cotton folded into triangles.
 - b. Sewing secrets passed down by pioneer quilters.
 - c. Arrowheads plowed up in prairie farmland.
3. Stitch in the Ditch is
 - a. What you do on the side of the road while waiting for your husband to change a flat tire.
 - b. The name of a new music group.
 - c. Quilting on a seam line.
4. Binding is
 - a. Finishing the edge of a quilt.
 - b. Tying up all of the loose, left-over fabric scraps in neat bundles to give to the thrift shop.
 - c. The best way to tie up the kids and keep them quiet while you quilt.
5. Batting is
 - a. One of your child's practice activities in gym class.
 - b. Pounding on the cotton layer to flatten it before sandwiching it into the quilt, before quilting.
 - c. The inside squishy layer of the quilt.
6. A Fabric Stash is
 - a. A rectangular plastic tub used for storing all of the fabrics for one quilt project.
 - b. A special closet outfitted to hold quilt fabric.
 - c. Quilt fabric that fills all available space in the house and garage.
7. Strip piecing is
 - a. Trying to quilt at odd times, even while changing clothes.
 - b. Sewing long strips of fabric together.
 - c. Strip mining on small pieces of land.
8. If, Heaven forbid! You prick your finger and bleed on the quilt, you should
 - a. Give it up as a lost cause and throw away the quilt because it isn't perfect.
 - b. Ignore it and keep quilting.

- c. Spit on a scrap of cotton or wad of thread and use that to scrub the blood out immediately.
9. Yo Yo
- a. An old-fashioned child's toy, often used as a template for drawing circles on fabric.
 - b. A special hello greeting among quilters.
 - c. A fabric circle with the outer edge folded and gathered.
10. Backing is
- a. When a quilt is finished and won't lie flat, you cover it with a sheet and a large piece of plywood, and have your spouse back the car over it a few times.
 - b. The underneath layer of the quilt sandwich.
 - c. When you find "backers" to finance the fabric for the next quilt project.

Scoring:

1. a.	0 points	b.	2 points	c.	3 points
2. a.	3 points	b.	1 point	c.	0 points
3. a.	2 points	b.	0 points	c.	3 points
4. a.	3 points	b.	2 points	c.	1 point
5. a.	0 points	b.	1 point	c.	3 points
6. a.	1 point	b.	3 points	c.	10 points
7. a.	1 point	b.	3 points	c.	0 points
8. a.	- 3 points	b.	1 point	c.	3 points
9. a.	1 point	b.	0 points	c.	3 points
10. a.	1 point	b.	3 points	c.	0 points

There is no pass or fail, but a score of

-3 to 8	suggests that either you are a raw beginner or perhaps you are more suited to bowling.
9 to 19	says there's hope, but you need to work on it!
20 to 29	says you're on your way to a blue ribbon.
30 to 36	tells the world you're definitely a pro!
37	is a perfect score! Why are you wasting time taking this quiz? You should be quilting!

Remember that creativity counts!!! --And if you disagree with our scoring system, feel free to tailor it to the level of your group.

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