

**Quiz for Week #2**  
**How Romantic Are You?**

1. **Your crush has been coughing all week, so when he doesn't show up for your creative writing class, you're pretty sure he's at home in bed. You**
  - A. take him a care package of cookies and mushy, feel-better-soon poems.
  - B. Ask how he's feeling the next day when you see him at the student union.
  - C. Call him before he goes to sleep to wish him a congestion-free night.
  
2. **Late one evening, the song you and your ex shared comes on the radio. This sends you into a tailspin of fond memories, your favorite being**
  - A. when he bought you the birthstone ring you'd wanted for weeks.
  - B. The time he took you outside in the pouring rain and asked you to dance.
  - C. The day you dumped him.
  
3. **On your first date with Isaac, the sweet guy who lives across the street, he showed up with a single peach rose (to match your flushed cheeks). You**
  - A. chucked it as soon as it started to droop.
  - B. Put it in a vase by your bed.
  - C. Changed its water every day, then pressed the blossom and saved it.
  
4. **The guy you've been eyeing has finally asked you out. Your idea of the perfect date would be**
  - A. going for a hike at a local park.
  - B. Checking out a new movie and then chowing down on some pepperoni pizza.
  - C. A moonlit walk on the beach, followed by sharing a large cup of gelato - with one spoon - at a boardwalk Italian restaurant.
  
5. **During your last major (unrequited) crush, on the guy who works at Structure in the mall, you**
  - A. stole a quick peek into the store whenever you passed by.
  - B. Sat on a bench nearby doing sketches of hi in your art book (you even left one for him anonymously on his windshield).
  - C. Bought your younger brother a ton of shirts that'll take him six years to fit into.
  
6. **A guy you really like has put on a pair of tights and an English accent to play Puck in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. On opening night, you**
  - A. buy a huge bouquet of chrysanthemums (roses seemed too girly) and rush the stage to give them to him as he takes his final bow.
  - B. Sit in one of the middle rows so that no one can see you're the one cheering loudly at the end of every scene.
  - C. Wait to read the review in the local paper the next day.

7. **You heard through the grapevine that the guy you have your eye on is stuck house-sitting for his grandpa (who's in the hospital and needs his ficus trees watered). You**
- A. show up with a watering can and your slightly green thumb - sure, you've killed a few plants, but hey, he doesn't know that.
  - B. Do a quick drop-in on the way to the multiplex to see how he's doing - it is Friday night, after all.
  - C. Head over at dusk with a CD of slow songs-you read somewhere that playing music for trees helps them grow.
8. **You overhear your crush telling his buddies how he wants to buy a new car stereo but just doesn't have the *dinero*. You**
- A. will probably forget about the conversation by lunchtime.
  - B. Withdraw money from your savings account (which you know you shouldn't touch), buy him a five-CD changer and leave it on his doorstep with a note signed FROM YOUR SECRET ADMIRER.
  - C. Ask your cousin if he knows anyone selling a radio cheap, then pass along the info.
9. **As you and your new love object are playing pickup softball in his backyard, he hits a home run - right through the neighbor's window. When she comes out screaming, you**
- A. suggest the two of you work off the cost in her garden, knowing you'll be spending quality community-service time together.
  - B. Stand by your man and take full responsibility - one more offense and they'll throw away the key on your already-trouble-loving honey.
  - C. Say nothing, stare at the ground and shuffle your feet uncomfortably.

## Scoring for Quiz #2

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### Rosy Romantic (22 to 27 points)

Sure, it can be dreamy to fantasize about the house in the woods you two will share with your future children. Just don't forget what real life is like, or you'll set yourself up for disappointment. "Sometimes we spend too much time daydreaming and not enough time living," says Cele Fichter, author of *Taking Charge of Your Love Account*. Maybe you feel insecure - like you have to wine, dine and woo guys in order to get them. But don't lose yourself just to impress him. "Remember to set daydreaming limits for yourself," says Fichter. That way, you'll have time to concentrate on the person who really counts - you.

### Realistic Romantic (15 to 21 points)

When your ex-boyfriend's parents got divorced, you not only talked the whole thing through with him, you bought him a Yankees T-shirt (they're his favorite team) as a pick-me-up, too. You appreciate the effect of romantic gestures, but you understand that romance alone doesn't fuel a relationship. You expect-and give back-more than just flowers and candy. "You know how to balance your romantic nature with satisfying your own needs," says Beverly West, co-author of *Cinematherapy: The Girl's Guide to Movies for Every Mood*. "Your sense of self is not based on someone else's perceptions of you but on how you value yourself."

### Romantic Understudy (9 to 14 points)

You have no need for mushy love poems or moonlit walks on the beach. And while sometimes it's good to be frugal with your feelings, you should also allow yourself to be impetuous and passionate. "At certain moments, it's

smart to play it safe, but not always," says Fichter. "Love is an adventure." So try to let yourself go every now and then—take a tremendous breath and free-fall. Learn to spot opportunities: If you know your crush's mountain bike is busted, don't let all that experience with four brothers go to waste—stop by his house and help him fix it. "Sometimes," says Fichter, "the most romantic thing you can do is to be thoughtful."