

If one of us is speaking English while the rest of us speak only French, we won't understand each other. In the same way, we each have different love languages. Not everyone expresses and receives love the same way. We are going to have a fun family time together as we discover each other's love languages and learn how to "speak one another's language."

Parents, be sure to complete the profile for yourself if you haven't already done so. This will be a great time for everyone in your home to discover and meet each other's needs—including your children.

STEP 1

After taking the profile, write down each family members' primary love language.

Name:

Love Language:

STEP 2

Spend some time coming up with fun ways to show each other love. Each person can share two or three specific ways that family members can show love using your love language.

STEP 3

Write these ideas down so you can remember them later as you become intentional about expressing your love.

STEP 4

Read **1 Peter 4:8** aloud. Discuss how you can love each other more deeply by meeting each other's love languages.

STEP 5

Pray – Ask God to help you love each other in a way that will grow your relationship with one another and bring glory to Him. Thank Him for the tool of the Love Languages and His power to put them into practice.

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— The 5 Love Languages — PARENT & CHILD

BEST USE

A family time or mealtime activity.

VALUE

Families discover each other's love languages and have a fun time together talking about how to creatively fill each other's love tanks.

ADVANCED PREP

Schedule a special time for your family to talk about the 5 Love Languages. Prepare to take the Love Language Profile included on the following pages or at 5lovelanguages.com. Get different colored markers/pens to designate each child's answers. Consider going out for a special dessert or making a favorite recipe together at home.

Note to Parents: The 5 Love Languages profiles are designed for individuals five years old and older. If you have a child younger than five, it is recommended that you make a plan to purposely show love in "all ways" until you can indicate your child's specific love language.

CHILDREN'S PROFILE

To Get Started:

Each clue box has two comments that parents sometimes make to their children. Read each clue box and, of the two comments, pick the one you like better and wish your mom or dad would say to you. Then circle the letter that goes with the comment. Be careful and only circle one letter in each clue box! After you've gone through all 20 clue boxes, go back and count how many A's, B's, C's, D's, and E's that you circled. Then write your scores in the blanks at the end of each game. Ask your mom or dad for help if you have any questions. And have fun unlocking the love language mystery!

- 1 **A** Give me a hug!
B You are terrific!
- 2 **C** I've got a special birthday present for you!
D I'll help you with your project.
- 3 **E** Let's go to a movie.
A Give me a high-five!
- 4 **B** You are so smart!
C Have you made your Christmas list?
- 5 **D** Would you help me cook dinner?
E I like going to fun places with you!
- 6 **A** Give me a kiss!
B You are #1!
- 7 **C** I've got a surprise for you.
D We can make something really cool.
- 8 **E** Let's watch TV together!
A Tag, you're it!
- 9 **B** You did a great job!
C You've earned a special surprise!

- 10 **D** You can invite your friends.
E Let's go to your favorite restaurant.
- 11 **A** I'm going to give you a big hug!
B You're an awesome kid!
- 12 **C** I made your favorite food.
D I checked your homework, and it looks great!
- 13 **E** You are fun to hang out with!
A I'll race you!
- 14 **B** Wow! You did it!
C Check under your bed for a special present!
- 15 **D** I cleaned up your room for you.
E Let's play a game together.
- 16 **A** Would you like for me to scratch your back?
B You can do it! Don't give up!
- 17 **C** What would you like to do for your birthday?
D We can pick up your friend on the way to the movie.

- 18 **E** I always like doing stuff with you.
A You are so huggable!
- 19 **B** How did you know how to do that? You are brilliant!
C I can't wait to give you your present!

- 20 **D** Don't worry! I'll pick you up on time!
E Let's spend the day doing whatever you want to do!

TO SOLVE THE LOVE LANGUAGE MYSTERY:

Look at your scores. The highest score represents your primary love language—how you most like to receive love. This doesn't mean the others aren't important, it just means that this is your favorite.

How many A's did you circle? _____

A's stand for Physical Touch. People whose love language is physical touch like to receive hugs, kisses, and high-fives.

How many B's did you circle? _____

B's stand for Words of Affirmation. People whose love language is words of affirmation like for others to use words to tell them that they are special and that they do a good job.

How many C's did you circle? _____

C's stand for Receiving Gifts. People with the love language of receiving gifts feel good when someone gives them a special present or surprise.

How many D's did you circle? _____

D's stand for Acts of Service. A person whose love language is acts of service likes it when others do nice things for them such as helping with chores, helping with school projects or driving them places.

How many E's did you circle? _____

E's stand for Quality Time. People with the love language of quality time like it when others do things with them like play a game, watch television or go to a ball game.

CONGRATULATIONS!

You've solved the love language mystery game and discovered your love language. Good job! Make sure to share the results with your parents.