

Traffic is Life Quiz

Identify your personality type

Circle the letter that best reflects your response to the following questions.

Answer with the first response that comes to mind.

If a question does not apply to you, skip it!

1. How do you view rush hour traffic?
 - a. An opportunity to meet people
 - b. A necessary evil
 - c. Something to avoid at all costs
 - d. A semi-challenging obstacle course

2. What type of vehicle do you drive?
 - a. Sports car
 - b. Fun convertible
 - c. Large with lots of space
 - d. Something without an engine

3. What color is your car?
 - a. Bright and happy
 - b. Non-flashy and conservative
 - c. Candy-apple red or camouflage
 - d. If it's not rust, I can't remember

4. Do you name your car?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

5. How many bumper stickers are on your vehicle?
 - a. Too many to count
 - b. One that promotes a top-of-the-line product.
 - c. Zero
 - d. A few about really important issues

6. How many seats?
 - a. Only two
 - b. 2-4
 - c. Just less than a small bus
 - d. One for people and the rest for books.

7. Who rides in your car?
 - a. Family
 - b. Only people I like
 - c. Clients and customers or my mechanic
 - d. Mostly me

8. If you could have any vehicle, what would it be?
 - a. A top-of-the-line sports series
 - b. An understated luxury sedan
 - c. An antique classic
 - d. A spaceship

9. What is your preferred seat in the car?
 - a. Driver's
 - b. Front passenger seat
 - c. Back seat
 - d. Luggage rack

10. On family trips, where do you most often sit?
 - a. Not invited
 - b. Driver's seat
 - c. Front passenger seat
 - d. At the very back of the car.

11. What is your most comfortable speed?
 - a. 25-55 mph
 - b. Over 80
 - c. I never look.
 - d. I find comfort in school zones.

12. Has anyone ever honked at you?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

Why?

- a. Something you did wrong
 - b. To say hello
 - c. You don't care
 - d. Causing a traffic jam
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13. When do you drive the speed limit?
 - a. Always, it's the law!
 - b. Most of the time
 - c. Just before I stop
 - d. Down hills with a stiff back wind.

 14. How do you feel about people who speed?
 - a. Try to avoid
 - b. No opinion
 - c. Consider an inferior challenger in the race
 - d. I like everyone

15. Where are your hands on the steering wheel while the car is moving?
 - a. At the ten o'clock and two o'clock positions
 - b. One hand at the bottom of the wheel.
 - c. Both hands squeezing tightly on either side.
 - d. They're not

16. How long would you wait before running a red light?
 - a. As soon as the intersection is clear
 - b. Guiltily after ten minutes
 - c. Never
 - d. When did they install lights?

17. When do you put gas in your car?
 - a. When convenient
 - b. Last possible minute
 - c. Never let the gauge read below half tank
 - d. When I pass my favorite gas pump

18. When do you wash your car?
 - a. Never
 - b. When dirty and a car wash is convenient.
 - c. Hand wash only, once a week or more.
 - d. When the dirt affects my mood and it is a beautiful sunny day.

19. What type of maintenance schedule do you follow?
 - a. Strictly by the suggested schedule in the owner's manual
 - b. When needed
 - c. Long after needed
 - d. What's maintenance?

20. When do you switch lanes?
 - a. To pass
 - b. To move ahead faster
 - c. Never, except to exit
 - d. When the median is occupied

21. When do you use a map?
 - a. After you are hopelessly lost
 - b. Before you get in your car
 - c. The first instance you feel unsure
 - d. Never

22. How many accidents have you had?
 - a. My car was in one, but it wasn't my fault.
 - b. 3-5
 - c. Too many to remember
 - d. None

23. When another car signals to enter your lane, what do you do?
 - a. Slow down for them to easily move over
 - b. Speed up to close any potential gaps
 - c. Ignore them
 - d. Wave and make happy gestures

24. When do you use your turn signals?
 - a. Whenever it is legally appropriate
 - b. Every chance you get
 - c. Never
 - d. You thought this was an extra you didn't get

25. When do you use your horn?
 - a. To alert another driver
 - b. To say hello
 - c. Every chance you get
 - d. Never

26. How do you view traffic tickets?
 - a. A minor setback
 - b. A terrible infraction
 - c. A chance to meet your local police department
 - d. A social injustice

27. How often do you use the High Occupancy Vehicle lane?
 - a. Often
 - b. Never
 - c. Once in a while
 - d. Whenever you need to pass a slower driver

28. What thoroughfares do you prefer to travel?
 - a. Major roadways
 - b. Side streets
 - c. Residential streets
 - d. The one where I am least likely to get a ticket

29. How do you decide which route to travel?
 - a. The most direct route
 - b. The safest route
 - c. The route where you never need to use your brakes
 - d. The happy route that holds special meaning.

30. When do you drive new routes?
 - a. Every now and then
 - b. Never on a work day
 - c. At the drop of a hat
 - d. I'll take a new route instead of getting to my destination

31. How much distance do you prefer between you and other vehicles?
 - a. I like to see sparks from the friction between bumpers
 - b. One car length
 - c. Close enough to see what's happening in the other cars
 - d. I'd prefer not to see anyone on my route

32. When estimating travel time, do you:
 - a. Add extra time for delays?
 - b. Leave with just enough time?
 - c. Hope the clocks are slow at your destination?
 - d. Never schedule anything

33. What other activities do you do while driving?
 - a. Search for speed traps
 - b. Attend to other passengers
 - c. Make-up, hair, trim mustache
 - d. Read or write

34. Think of the craziest thing you've ever done in a car. Now describe your immediate reaction:
 - a. Big grin
 - b. Blank stare
 - c. Want to tell someone
 - d. Think this is a stupid question

35. How do you communicate with others on the road?
 - a. Honk politely
 - b. Yell the answers to bumper sticker questions
 - c. Inadvertently, never making eye contact
 - d. Use vehicle as battering ram to make a point

36. When's the last time you had a stranger in your car?
 - a. Never, that's unsafe
 - b. This week
 - c. Does that include my spouse?
 - d. All my friends are strangers

37. What do you do when you pass an accident?
 - a. Slow down to get a good look
 - b. Honk at the people who are slowing down
 - c. Look straight ahead
 - d. Instruct passengers to take the wheel while I gawk

38. How do you react to yellow lights?
- I follow the car next to me
 - Speed up
 - I've never noticed
 - Slam on the brakes
39. When do you slam on your brakes?
- At the sight of a beautiful flower or lost pet
 - Only in emergencies
 - Never
 - I always have one foot on the brake
40. How do you treat rental cars?
- Like my own car
 - Like a state fair bumper car
 - I never take my foot off the accelerator
 - Like a luxury car, it is always an upgrade for me
41. How would a friend describe your driving?
- Slow and safe
 - Fast and reckless
 - Considerate and friendly
 - Dangerously oblivious
42. If "1-800-How's my driving?" was on your bumper, what would people say?
- Should stay in the slow lane
 - What a courteous driver
 - When did NASCAR start using your company's vehicles?
 - Friendliest driver I ever met
43. What is the primary use of your rearview mirror for?
- Watch for police and count passed autos
 - Keeping a constant tab on my environment
 - Checking my look for the day
 - I thought that was a hat rack
44. What sounds or actions can be seen in your car while you drive?
- Singing and dancing
 - Yelling and gesturing insults at other drivers
 - Whistling or humming
 - Nothing, too busy thinking about world issues

Now, Compare your selections to the Answer sheet.

Count the number of times you selected each of the four characters (Mini-van, Race Car, Bug, Bicycle).

Traffic Quiz

Answers

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| 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. |
| a. Bug
b. Mini-van
c. Bicycle
d. Race car | a. Race car
b. Bug
c. Mini-van
d. Bicycle | a. Bug
b. Mini-van
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Bug/Race car
b. Bicycle/Mini-van |
| 5. | 6. | 7. | 8. |
| a. Bug
b. Race car
c. Mini-van
d. Bicycle | a. Race car
b. Bug
c. Mini-van
d. Bicycle | a. Mini-van
b. Bug
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Race car
b. Mini-van
c. Bicycle
d. Bug |
| 9. | 10. | 11. | 12.a |
| a. Race car
b. Bug
c. Mini-van
d. Bicycle | a. Race car
b. Mini-van
c. Bug
d. Bicycle | a. Bug/Mini-van
b. Race car
c. Bicycle
d. Mini-van | a. Race car/Bug
b. Mini-van/Bicycle |
| 12.b | 13. | 14. | 15. |
| a. Mini-van
b. Bug
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Mini-van/Bug
b. Bug
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Mini-van
b. Bicycle
c. Race car
d. Bug | a. Mini-van
b. Bicycle
c. Bug
d. Race car |
| 16. | 17. | 18. | 19. |
| a. Race car
b. Bug
c. Mini-van
d. Bicycle | a. Bicycle
b. Bug
c. Mini-van
d. Race car | a. Bicycle
b. Mini-van
c. Race car
d. Bug | a. Mini-van
b. Race car
c. Bug
d. Bicycle |
| 20. | 21. | 22. | 23. |
| a. Bug
b. Bicycle
c. Mini-van
d. Race car | a. Bicycle
b. Mini-van
c. Bug
d. Race car | a. Bug
b. Bicycle
c. Race car
d. Mini-van | a. Mini-van
b. Race car
c. Bicycle
d. Bug |
| 24. | 25. | 26. | 27. |
| a. Mini-van
b. Bug
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Mini-van
b. Bug
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Race car
b. Mini-van
c. Bug
d. Bicycle | a. Mini-van
b. Bicycle
c. Bug
d. Race car |
| 28. | 29. | 30. | 31. |
| a. Bug
b. Bicycle
c. Mini-van
d. Race car | a. Bicycle
b. Mini-van
c. Race car
d. Bug | a. Mini-van
b. Race car
c. Bug
d. Bicycle | a. Race car
b. Mini-van
c. Bug
d. Bicycle |
| 32. | 33. | 34. | 35. |
| a. Mini-van
b. Race car
c. Bug
d. Bicycle | a. Race car
b. Mini-van
c. Bug
d. Bicycle | a. Bug
b. Mini-van
c. Race car
d. Bicycle | a. Mini-van
b. Bug
c. Bicycle
d. Race car |

Answers continued:

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| 36. | | 37. | | 38. | | 39. | |
| | a. Mini-van | | a. Bicycle | | a. Bug | | a. Bug |
| | b. Bug | | b. Race car | | b. Race car | | b. Bicycle |
| | c. Race car | | c. Mini-van | | c. Bicycle | | c. Race car |
| | d. Bicycle | | d. Bug | | d. Mini-van | | d. Mini-van |
| 40. | | 41. | | 42. | | 43. | |
| | a. Mini-van | | a. Mini-van | | a. Bicycle | | a. Race car |
| | b. Bug | | b. Race car | | b. Mini-van | | b. Mini-van |
| | c. Race car | | c. Bug | | c. Race car | | c. Bug |
| | d. Bicycle | | d. Bicycle | | d. Bug | | d. Bicycle |
| 44. | | | | | | | |
| | a. Bug | | | | | | |
| | b. Race car | | | | | | |
| | c. Mini-van | | | | | | |
| | d. Bicycle | | | | | | |

The final tabulation will show a count of times that characters were chosen.

Use the space below to mark each time these characters are chosen.

This gives you insight into your predominant characteristics and the way you approach life.

People are rarely ever one character. Our overall behavior patterns are comprised of each character.

Yet, we are always predominantly one character over the other three.

Bicycle _____ = Total _____

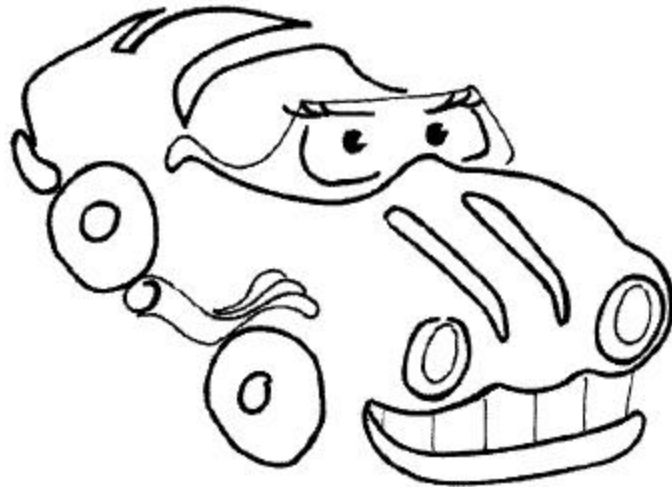
Mini-van _____ = Total _____

Race car _____ = Total _____

Bug _____ = Total _____

Once you've identified your psychological type, check the character profiles.

To order individual tests
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The Race Car

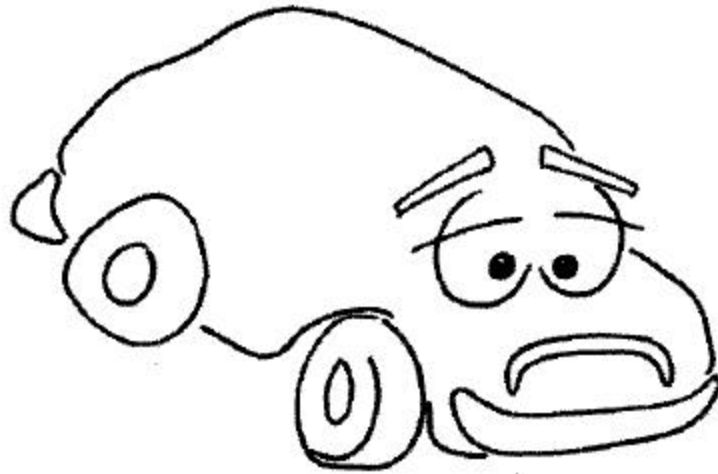
These individuals are action oriented, seek excitement, and gravitate towards sports and games.

They are fun-loving and spontaneous, with a need for risk taking and adventure.

Race cars thrive on competition and risks. They are not afraid of the unconventional--true rebels.

They're hands-on people who act and then think.

Race cars will follow any road as long as they are free to choose the path and drive as fast as possible.



The **Mini-Van**

These people are characterized as both loyal and dutiful. They are down to earth, with their feet firmly planted on the ground.

A mini-van is responsible, dependable, loyal, and keeps both eyes focused on security for the future.

They support time-honored institutions, such as marriage, school, family, church, and civic organizations, with care and respect for tradition.

Mini-vans love rules, rituals, and established norms. They are detailed oriented and overflowing with common sense.

These people are hard workers and excellent students who need specific instructions and clear expectations.

Mini-vans follow the well-traveled roads.



The Bicycle

The personality type most likely to have invented the automobile is the character least likely to drive one.

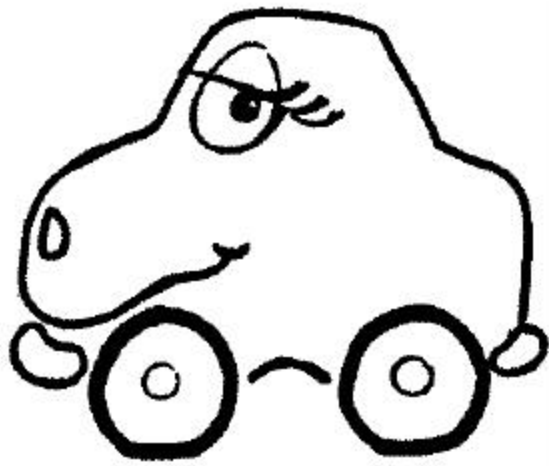
These people are competent and knowledgeable, with a predisposition for acquiring knowledge.

Bicycles seek solutions to the most complex problems while abstract subjects occupy their minds. They are typically involved with projects that call for innovation, vision, and creativity.

These people are perfectionists, drawn to learning for its own sake. They are constantly in search of a better understanding of the world.

Bicycles don't have room for passengers, which is fine, since they are not the most social of the four personality types.

Bicycles don't even follow the road less traveled--they create their own paths.



The **Bug**

These people are most likely found chasing butterflies and searching for four-leaf clovers.

They are romantic, with a predisposition for pursuing self-actualization and sharing it.

Relationships are a priority, and they focus on the personal, humane side of life. These people are warm, enthusiastic, and compassionate.

Their strength is a strong connection to others, and they are able to express their intimate feelings easily. You usually know how the bug feels.

This personality type is very social and absolutely needs human contact.

The bug is not afraid to take the road less traveled as long as it feels right and they will cross paths with others.

Traffic is Life.

Quiz metaphors

Each question and answer in the Traffic Quiz serves as a metaphor for how you live your life. These metaphors help explain why you act, react, or don't act in a particular fashion.

Following are five metaphors that generally apply to the quiz questions and answers. Where you see the symbol next to the question, that metaphor applies. Question numbers are listed below as a cross reference.

Self Expression

How you express yourself. What your passion looks like. Self expression describes how you act when things are important to you, where your passions appear in everyday life. This is how you choose to appear in life.

(Questions: 1, 3, 5, 11, 25, 26, 30, 32, 33, 35)

Influences

Influences explore whether you think about your choices or live from the heart, how you make decisions, and what influences those decisions. Are you logical and calculated in your actions, or emotional, making decisions based on your feelings? They reflect how you feel about life.

(Questions: 4, 7, 14, 20, 21, 28, 29, 31, 43, 44)

Character

These questions explore your personality type. They identify whether you are introverted or extroverted, competitive or compassionate. These traits are the result of your experiences, influences, and values. Character is how you act.

(Questions: 6, 15, 17, 18, 23, 24, 27, 34, 36, 38, 40)

Values

These are your foundation, the reason you do everything. They reflect your work ethics, values, and what is important to you. Value questions explain the reasons for your actions.

(Questions: 8, 13, 16, 19, 37, 39)

Perceptions

How do you perceive yourself and your role in the family, at work, in the community? How do others see you? The answers to these questions help you understand how you view life.

(Questions: 2, 9, 10, 12, 22, 41, 42)