

Here's a 10-question quiz you should be able to ace if you're ready for the college experience. There's no pass or fail. No grade. Once you're done, just smile about the ones you can answer and find the answers to the ones you don't already know. Ready?

- Have you exhausted all options in the search for scholarships and financial aid, and did you know you can appeal the aid package your college has offered?
- Have you been working on budgeting skills, with a plan that includes unexpected college expenses and employs tactics of a strategy to avoid college debt?
- Time management and organizational skills are a critical part of managing the college academic workload, so how are yours?
- Do you need to strengthen your study habits and techniques, and have you researched your college's academic support system, from study centers and tutoring to libraries and inresidence amenities and assistance?
- Are you disciplined enough to do the required academic work within the allowed time and prepared to take proper care of yourself, physically and emotionally?

- Do you know how to handle common household chores and duties? Laundry? Cooking? Shopping? Balancing a bank account?
- Have you researched campus and community resources, from medical services to stores (groceries, housewares, clothing, etc.) and public safety services?
- Have you considered the inevitability of homesickness and stress (academic and otherwise) and ways to cope with both?
- Have you researched housing and connected with your expected roommate(s) to lessen the shock of living with strangers whose habits are unknown?
- What's your passion? Finding and/or further exploring it can help you answer two critical questions: What's your major? What are your career plans?



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