

# QUOTABLES

“I have gladly allowed my son to listen to swear words and sex jokes in exchange for what Jon Stewart has taught us about the world.”

—Amy Oztan (@SelfishMom), a Brooklyn mom and social media powerhouse, on [lifetimemoms.com](http://lifetimemoms.com), in a post in which she shares why she let her then-middle school-aged son watch the Comedy Central hit *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart*: “between laughs he learned about government.”

“I never doubted that I would be a better father than my father. I thought of myself as more ‘evolved.’ I’d been to therapy.”

—David Sampliner (@DavidSampliner), a Brooklyn filmmaker in a thoughtful post about how he reconnected with his own father—and saw him in an entirely new light—when Sampliner learned he would become a dad, too; his documentary *My Own Man* debuted on Netflix in March (see a clip and read more at [nymetroparents.com/my-own-man](http://nymetroparents.com/my-own-man))

*“My eldest becomes a teenager this year. My youngest moves into second grade.... If I don’t infuse those years with moments of noticing and being present, I will miss the whole thing.”*

—Chrysula Winegar (@chrysula), a mother and communications consultant who blogs from Fairfield County, CT, at [whenyouseakeupamother.com](http://whenyouseakeupamother.com), in a contemplative post about reclaiming the stillness in her life



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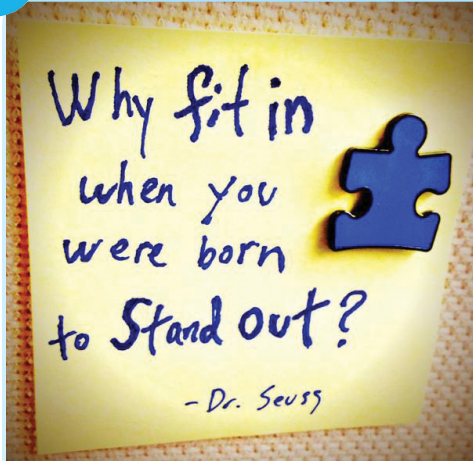
Spring is creeping through!!! #spring #March #baby #toddler #girl #doll #nyc #weather #love #thatsbetsyv #betsyv (as shared by Queens mom, blogger, and YouTuber Betsy V., @thatsbetsyv)

“Okay, so maybe the heat of our relationship has iced over by the chilling screams of our two children. They do sometimes seem to be the only sources of evidence confirming my husband and I once enjoyed making love to each other.... Right now, we’re nourishing the growth of our relationship by bonding over our children, rather than over a candlelit dinner.”

—Yesenia Almonte (@yeseniaalmonte), Manhattan mom of two, in a post on her Latina Mommy blog ([parents.com/blogs/latina-mommy](http://parents.com/blogs/latina-mommy)) in which she frankly discusses how having babies has impacted her sex life



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@autismspeaks: #DrSeuss #AutismSpeaks10

@MelissaSChapman: “I feel too clean to take a shower” MY NINE YEAR OLD’S nightly excuse DU JOUR for why he doesn’t NEED A SHOWER #kidsandtheirexcuses

@TheMichaelRock: Kids have this magical power where they can make all of your troubles go away with just one hug.

@Miniwheats2012: I just yelled at my son to come downstairs and amazingly I still heard him rolling his eyes.

@kellyoxford: I had kids so long ago that when my friends show me their baby stuff I say, “That wasn’t even invented when I had kids,” about everything.

@LagosMums: There is no prize for doing it all and burning out...learning to focus and delegate #typeachallenge @typeparent

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