## PARENTING STRENGTHS

**Advisor** — you take the long view and see the broad picture. You are wise, discerning, trusted, respected, knowledgeable, and a good counselor. You have patient, good at asking questions and comfortable with the unknown, because you will look for answers.

**Defender** — you live by principles of justice & equality. You defend the weak and look out for the underdog. You are protective, excellent at clarifying expectations, good at setting boundaries, and great at helping your kids understand lessons of cause and effect.

**Fortitude** — you never give up; you are willing to do whatever it takes to help, love, and raise your children right. You are hardworking, resilient, gritty, strong-willed, goal-driven, persevering, and dependable. When you fail, you get up & try again.

**Gracious** — you bring peace into your home. Your motto is to forgive and forget and realize that everyone makes mistakes, especially children. You are forgiving, compassionate, accepting of weakness & failings. And you give second chances instead of holding grudges.

**Inspiration** — you always motivate you child to do their best. You enjoy setting your kids up for success by defining goals in their lives that are challenging yet attainable. You have a high level of emotional intelligence, are goal-oriented, and focus on possibilities instead of problems.

**Objectivity** — you always think through your decisions by exploring the facts and weighing the pros and cons. You are open-minded, don't judge harshly, and avoid letting emotions get in the way. You are confident in your decisions and excellent at getting to the bottom line.

**Organizer** — you establish routines and structure for your children, and you thrive best in a well-organized home. You build trust with your kids through consistency and thoroughness. You are clear and concise, punctual, and efficient.

**Sensitivity** — you are responsive and aware of what your children are feeling. You parent with compassion. You spend quality time with your kids, really getting to know them and understand them. You serve as a primary advocate for your kids.

**Stability** — you keep your family calm and stable. You give your children a firm foundation. You rarely get angry or frustrated. You're not bothered by your child's faults & failures because these are part of the learning process. You do not often succumb to fear or anxiety.

**Tenderness** — you always try to do nice things for your children, helping them feel special and loved. You are kind, thoughtful, quick to serve, affectionate, and warm. You enjoy serving your children above your own interests.

**Trainer** — you bring order to your home by clearly defining the expectations for your child. You expect compliance and commitment and display your feelings of approval or disapproval for their behavior. You discipline children out of deep love and a desire to see them succeed.

**Zest** — you live each day with passion and enthusiasm. Parenting is one of the great joys of your life, and you never give it half-hearted effort. You're always learning how to be the best parent you can be. You are playful and fun, and love to laugh.