

## What's Your Recordkeeping Type?

I share my story because I want you to understand the emphasis: choose a recordkeeping system you will use. Don't spend 8 hours setting everything up in Quicken if you aren't going to use it consistently. Choose something you'll enjoy, or at least not be frustrated by. And maybe, just maybe, you'll find a solution that is as fun as Cassie's was.

1. When you go shopping for groceries, what goes into your cart/basket?

- a) Whatever looks good on the shelf.
- b) Whatever is on my list.
- c) Whatever I have coupons for.

2. When you decide what groceries to get, what type of brand do you opt for?

- a) The high quality, high dollar brand.
- b) The standard national brand.
- c) A cheap store brand.

3. When going out to eat, which of these restaurant features attracts you the most?

- a) The finest cuisine.
- b) A comfortable atmosphere.
- c) A dollar menu.

4. You find a piece of clothing you like, so you first check the label for...

- a) A luxurious brand.
- b) The right size.
- c) A sale sticker.

5. What features do you want out of the next car you buy?

- a) As many nice extras as I can afford.
- b) The standards – AC, power locks...
- c) The ability to be driven. That's all.

6. Should this new car of yours be out of service, how do you get around town?

- a) Rent a car.
- b) Use public transportation.
- c) Walk.

7. Which of the following do you find synonymous with "the perfect vacation"?

- a) Living it up overseas.
- b) Sightseeing and road tripping.
- c) Resting at home.

8. You found a good place to live, but the asking price is a bit high. What do you do?

- a) Pay it anyway.
- b) Haggle the price down a little.
- c) Wait until the owner is desperate.

9. It is time to get some new furniture for your home. What do you need the most?

- a) A full, lavish living room set.
- b) A decent sofa and chairs.
- c) One or two basic places to sit.

10. When a smartphone company releases its newest version, what do you do?

- a) Buy it right away.
- b) Wait for the price to go down.
- c) Wait until my old phone clunks out.

11. When buying new software, the best words on the box/download page are...

- a) Deluxe Version
- b) Standard Version
- c) Free Version

12. How often do you use a credit card to buy something?

- a) Whenever I want it.
- b) Whenever I need it.
- c) I prefer cash/checks.

13. If you were to receive an unexpected sum of cash, what would you do with it?

- a) Shopping spree!
- b) Pay off all my debts.
- c) Put it all in savings.

14. If a friend or neighbor buys something you really like, what do you do?

- a) Get something even better.
- b) Shop around for something similar.
- c) Scoff at his or her frivolousness.