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# Parental guidance suggested

Say you'll be a doctor or a lawyer, and the folks will kvell. But how about, "Mom, Dad, I want to cook!" In this TONY quiz, match the parental reaction to the chef. Illustrations by **Jesse Phillips**



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Pastry chef, Jean Georges

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Chef-partner, inoteca

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Chef-owner, Annisa

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Chef-owner, wd-50

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**A** "He came to me and said, 'I want to be a chef....' I said, 'I thought you wanted to be an astronaut, but okay.'"

**B** "I knew once he made up his mind to have his head in the oven all day that he would accomplish his mission."

**C** "I allowed my children to do whatever they wanted to do—their father was a doctor, I am a doctor, but none of them wanted to be doctors."

**D** "He maimed his right hand in an industrial accident in his first career. His first words [after the accident]: 'Can I hold a knife?' The fact that he had something that he could fall back on that he loved, it was just a blessing."

**E** "I had mixed emotions, because we had cooks and servants in the house, and where we are from it's not recognized as such an outstanding job."

**F** "My wife and I don't cook—we live in the land of takeout. While he didn't learn cooking from us, we are happy he loves his job."

**G** "He used to sleep in the office and on chairs when I had to finish up doing my job [at the restaurant] late at night. I always used to joke I'm an example of what not to be. I guess he didn't listen."

**H** "If he was a plumber like his old man, he would have been the boss by now, sitting back, relaxing and collecting union benefits."



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Executive chef, Craft

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**Chris Cheung,**  
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