

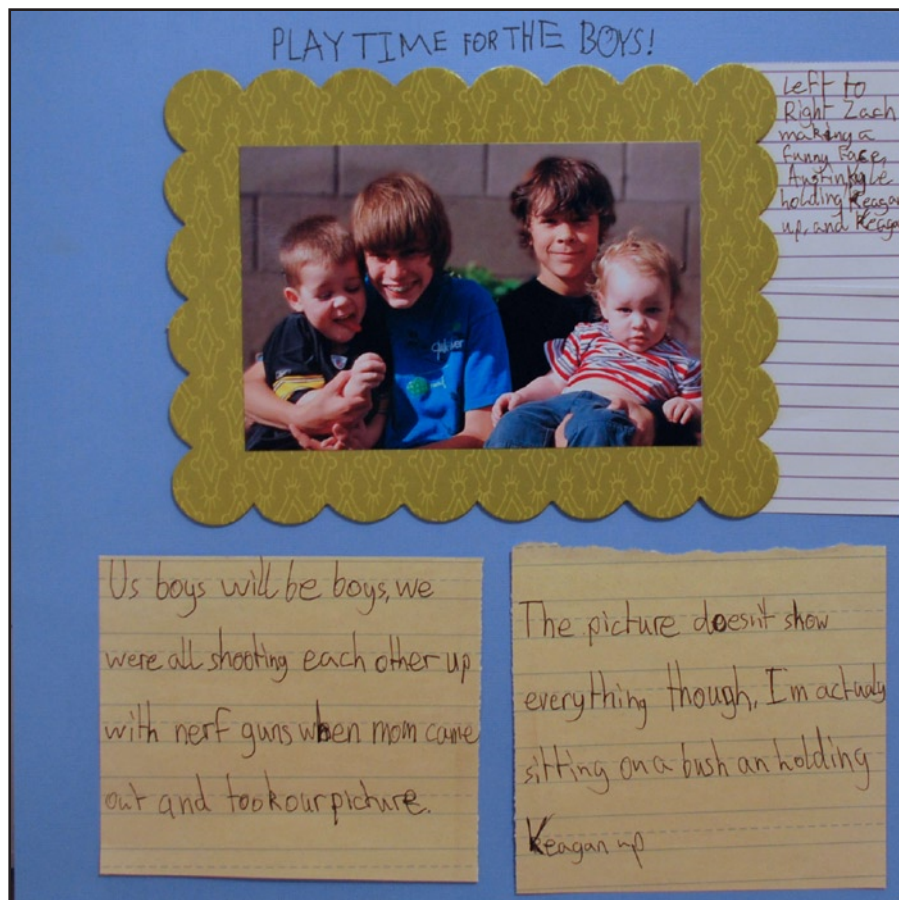


MOTHER MAY I? taught by Tami Taylor



ROUND 4: MOTHER ON HOUSEKEEPING

Is this the hottest button between Mother & child? Maybe there are a few lucky ones who have mothers that define clean the same way they do, if you aren't a lucky one you have probably heard some of these comments.



HOUSEKEEPING MOM-ISM #1

Mother says: *You can clean your room, or I can clean it for you...*

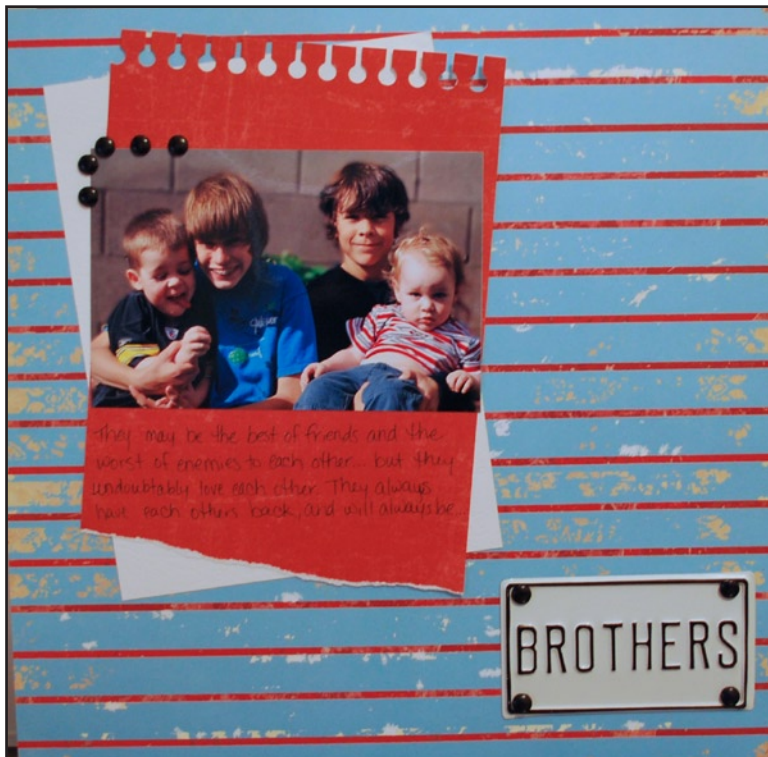
Translation: *Please, please let me clean it*



the dutiful daughter

will go clean her room.

After you clean up your scrappy space, take some photos. What is your favorite part of your scrap area... it doesn't have to be a full room even if it's a bag and you scrap at your dining room table, share what's great about it. What is scrapping time like for you? Do you snack? Do you watch TV? Show the view from your seat.



the *wild child*

has better things to do, let mother do it.

Can you let go enough to let someone else do for you? What about a layout? Can you let one of your kids do a layout about their events or you? What about your dear husband? Do you have a scrappy friend that will do a layout for you? If you are like me and don't have scrappy friends nearby, try partnering up with an online friend. Email them photos and have them create a layout for you. Share a layout that you let someone else do for you.

Tami Taylor had her son Kyle do a layout for his own album. See how his perspective differs from his mom's. She chose to look at the big picture of the boys together and how she sees their relationship as a whole. Kyle (see layout on page 1) chose to share how fun that day was playing army with nerf guns in the backyard.

HOUSEKEEPING MOM-ISM #2

Mother says: I didn't ask you who did it, I said pick it up!

Translation: I'm tired of figuring out whose fault it is, no one fesses up to it anyway.



the *dutiful daughter*
will will stop explaining and pick it up.
Can you pick up your pages? Use textures and 3 dimensional adhesives pick your page up. How lumpy can you get?

Debbie Hodge used several "junk drawer" & flea market finds on "Lunch Date."

the *wild child*
leaves it laying there, she didn't do it.
Can you make a "flat" page pop?
What techniques can you use to give a page with all flat embellishments look 3 dimensional?



HOUSEKEEPING MOM-ISM #3

Mother says: *Shut the door before the flies get in!*

Translation: *Just get outside.*



the *dutiful daughter*
will get outside.

Go outside, take your camera. Share what your home entry way looks like. Photos of doors can be so moving. They can be welcoming and warm or cold and foreboding. Do you decorate your doors for the season?

the *wild child*
stays inside.

What do the doors in your home look like? What stories would they tell? What is the view when you walk by and the door is cracked open just a little?

Tami Taylor scraps a doorway in "Priceless."

HOUSEKEEPING MOM-ISM #4

Mother says: *You call that clean?*

Translation: *You aren't finished and I'm beginning to wonder if you need glasses.*



the *dutiful daughter*

will go back until it's crystal clear.

Show your own crystal clear trinkets on your pages. Use transparencies, acrylic embellishments, crystals or any other clear items on your pages.

Doris Sander uses clear embellishments on "Cold."

the *wild child*

could not care less how dirty it is.

Get it dirty, just because you by the items clear doesn't mean they need to stay that way. Dirty up your clear items with paint, ink, or pens. Try just roughing it up with a nail file or sander to give it a different look all together.

