All the events in your life, both good and bad, exact a penalty in the form of stress. The amount of stress you experience could affect your health. This test was developed to help predict (and prevent) physical problems that can come from too much change and stress in your life.

Under *Number of Occurrences*, indicate how many times in the past year each of the events has occurred. Multiply the number under *Life Change Units* (LCU) by the number of occurrences in each event, and place the answer under *Your Score*. Add the figures under *Your Score* to find your total for the past year.

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Life Event	Occurrences	LCU Score	
1. Death of a spouse		100	
2. Divorce		73	
3. Marital separation		65	
4. Detention in jail or other institution		63	
5. Death of a close family member		63	
6. Major personal injury or illness		53	
7. Marriage		50	
8. Loss of job		63 53 50 47 45 45	
9. Marital reconciliation		45	
10. Retirement from work		45	
11. Major change in the health or behavior of a family r	nember	44	
12. Pregnancy (self or spouse)		40	
13. Sexual difficulties		39	
14. Gaining a new family member		39	
15. Major business readjustment		39	
16. Major change in financial state		38	
17. Death of a close friend		37	
18. Changing to a different line of work		36	
19. Major change in the number of arguments with spou	ise	35	
20. Taking on a large mortgage or loan for a major purp		31	
21. Foreclosure on a mortgage or loan		30	
22. Major change in responsibilities at work		29	
23. Son or daughter leaving home		44 40 39 39 39 38 37 36 35 31 30 29 29	
24. Trouble with in-laws		29	
25. Outstanding personal achievement		28	
26. Spouse beginning or ceasing work outside the home		26	
27. Beginning or ceasing formal schooling		29 28 26	
28. Major change in living conditions		25	
29. Revision of personal habits		24	
30. Trouble with boss		23	
31. Major change in working hours		20	
32. Change in residence		20	
33. Changing to a new school		20	
34. Major change in usual type and/or amount of recrea	tion ——	19	
35. Major change in church activities		19	
36. Major change in social activities		18	
37. Taking on a small mortgage or loan		17	
38. Major change in sleeping habits		16	
39. Major change in number of family get-togethers		15	
40. Major change in eating habits		15	
41. Vacation		13	
42. Major Holiday		12	
43. Minor violations of the law		11	
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This is your total life change score for the past year			