

EDITORIAL REQUEST

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Why Is My Skin -reakina Ou

Just when you started getting along with your skin, it throws a temper tantrum. Take this short quiz and advice from Long Island NY, dermatologist Marina Peredo to pinpoint the cause—and quell the hysterics

GIVE YOURSELF 1 POINT FOR **EVERY A, 2 FOR EVERY B, AND** 3 FOR EVERY C.

SCORE 4-6 Seasonal

Whether it's the change in seasons or travel, lighten up makeup and add sunblock when the temps rise.

SCORE 7-9 Hormonal

"Hormones send a cascade of outs." Peredo explains. (See p. 86 for more on hormones and acne.) Reach for calming products and acne gels like **G.M. Collin Pur**acne Oxygen Gel (\$48; skin1.com)

SCORE 10-12 Lifestyle

Less-than-stellar skin care habits like not removing makeup, using old products, and skipping sleep can cause breakouts, irritation, and dullness. The solution: Clean up your act. Eat well, sleep a lot, and cleanse after working out and before bed after working out and before bed.

L. How often do you remove your makeup?

- A. Every night, of course.
- B. Whenever I remember.
- C. Is that a thing I have to do?

2. Where are you with menopause?

- A. It's not on my radar yet/anymore.
- B. Ugh-I'm in the thick of it.
- C. It's on its way... I think.

3. What else is going on in your life?

- A. I'm hot and sticky-the change of seasons is driving me crazy.
- B. I'm dealing with PMS, and my stress is off the charts.
- C. I just started a diet/workout regimen, and I'm not sleeping well.

4. Which of these best describes your irritation?

- A. Itchy, reactive, and aggravated.
- B. Lots of redness, flushing, and some spots.
- C. Breakouts-am I a teenager again?