

# **Life is Like Shoe Shopping**

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Life is like shoe shopping. As a typical girl, I love shoes. Not just the way that they look, but what each type of shoe represents. There are a wide variety of shoes similar to the way that there are many different types of character traits that people possess. Each type of shoe represents a vital part of a well-rounded life.

Shoes come in many different shapes, sizes, and descriptions, just like people do. Shoes can be bold and daring while some others may be simple and refined, in a lot of the same ways that people are. No matter how diverse they are, each is beautiful in their own way. As we go through life it is important to feel comfortable in the shoes you choose to wear. It doesn't matter what others think as long as you have a strong belief in yourself.

Tennis shoes offer the ultimate form of comfort and support, just like family. Tennis shoes go best with casual wear in much of the same way that you act casually around your family. When you are with the people that love and support you, you can just be yourself and act casually.

High heels are a lot like love. It takes time to find heels with a perfect fit. The right high heels lift you up just the right amount to make you feel cared for and needed. But, the wrong high heels can be too high and make you feel uncomfortable. Even worse are the heels that break and make you feel insecure. Love and security takes time to find, just like the right pair of high heels.

Tap shoes represent the zest and fun in life. Tap shoes make little noises when you walk and they are always fun and lively. Each person should take time every once in a while to put on their tap shoes and just have a little bit of fun.

Friends are like the flip-flops of life. Friends are energetic, fun, and comfortable Flip-flops come in an enormous variety of colors and designs like the personality of a true friend. On a rare occasion, a favorite pair of flip-flops may break. Another great friend may come along in time, possibly in the summer when flip-flops and friends are essential. But, each person always has that one favorite pair that goes with every outfit and friend.

The boots of life represent the tough times in life that everyone must face. Work boots are worn during hard work and take a while to become soft. Then there are the rain and snow boots that are worn when the weather and your life aren't going quite the way you had intended. Don't get too down though, because eventually you'll forget those boots in the closet and better times will come!

Sports cleats are like the teamwork and communication aspects of life. When you are a part of a team you practice working together and communicating with other members of the

team. This aspect should be carried over to the rest of life as well. Display the ability to work with other people and to communicate exactly what you think so that the “team” can work well together on any task.

It may sound unlikely, but slippers represent the respect in life. Despite what a first impression makes anyone think, everyone deserves to be respected. There is more to people than just what meets the eye. If you can be respected by others and respectful toward others while in slippers, then there is no telling what great accomplishments you may achieve when you wear your “dress up” shoes.

There are many other aspects of life that represent a specific type of shoe, but just like life, there are things everyone has to learn on their own. Every shoe and person is unique in their own way and some may not be what you are looking for, but others are, and they will teach you a great lesson in life. So, put your best foot forward and get comfortable with all your shoes and when you do, you will be living by your very own “Laws of Life.”