Make a Wish, Molly

30 Minutes

After-Viewing Discussion

- 1. Name some instances where Melinda showed that she was jealous of Molly. Why do you think she was jealous of Molly? How do you think Molly felt every time Melinda said those harsh words?
- 2. What was Molly looking forward to at Jenny's party? Why did Molly's mother tell Molly that she could not have birthday cake? How do you think Molly felt?
- 3. Molly wanted desperately to fit in at the birthday party. What were some of the things that she was worried about?
- 4. Molly knew that if she ate the cake, her parents would never know. Why do you think she decided not to eat the cake?
- 5. Are there any traditions or ideas that you believe in so strongly that you would risk not fitting in?
- 6. What did Melinda say at the party that hurt Molly very much? Melinda said something that was not totally true. Why do you think her aunt told her something like that? Molly's classmates really did not defend her. How did this help Melinda? How did this add to Molly's hurt?
- 7. Jenny was insulted that Molly left her party early. If you were Molly, would you have tried to explain it to Jenny? Why?
- 8. What did Molly's father try to do to help Molly? Why do you think Molly was upset when she found out that her father went to speak to the teacher? Do you think it would have been better for Molly's father not to mention that he spoke to the teacher? Explain.
- 9. What made Molly's birthday so special?
- 10. How do you think Molly felt on her birthday? How do you think her classmates felt about her?
- 11. What do you think Molly wished for? What would you have wished for if you were Molly?