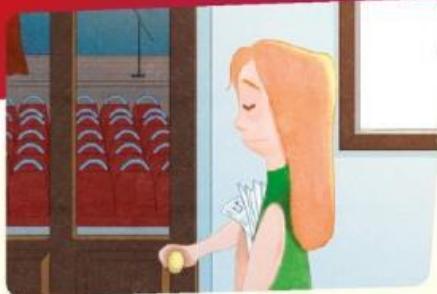


1 05 Read the comments. Match the titles 1–3 with the stories A–C.

1 It wasn't for me! 2 My dad, the teenager 3 I just wasn't ready

Emotional moments

We all experience strong emotions sometimes. Can you remember a time when you felt super stressed, totally shocked, or really embarrassed? Tell us your stories for a chance to win two movie tickets.



A Ruby

Singing was one of my favorite hobbies when I was younger. When I started high school, my parents suggested auditioning for the school choir. They paid for some singing lessons, and I practiced for weeks before I had my audition. It was on a Saturday, at 3 p.m. I arrived an hour early with my dad so that I had time to practice singing the music first. But another student was late for their audition, and I had to start immediately.

I never get nervous about performing, but suddenly I felt very stressed! I sang really badly. It was the worst fifteen minutes of my life. But the most surprising thing? I passed the audition and I'm in the choir!

B Marco

My twin brother, Alex, is great at playing sports. I'm more interested in reading and music. And this was true when we were young. But I can never forget our 10th birthday. We got lots of presents, but there was one huge present. Was it for both of us? Then Dad said, "Open it, Alex." I was so jealous!

My brother opened it quickly and inside was a bike. I hated riding bikes, but I was still annoyed. I wanted a big, exciting present, too.

Mom says I got lots of other presents, but I can't remember them. She says I was miserable all day!

C Keira

I remember my first party without any adults. It was a friend's 15th birthday and I was really excited. The party was cool, but by midnight I was feeling exhausted and ready to go.

Then some parents started arriving to pick up their kids. Suddenly I heard my dad's voice: "I LOVE this song!" he was shouting. I ran into the living room, but I was too late. My dad was already dancing WITH MY FRIENDS! I was so mad at my dad. I didn't speak to him for a week!

2 Read the text again. Write the correct people.

- 1 Marco had a bad experience on his or her birthday.
- 2 's dad didn't want to go home at the end of a party.
- 3 was shocked about something after his or her experience.
- 4 was embarrassed by someone.
- 5 's parents paid for some lessons.
- 6 has different interests from his or her brother.

3 Answer the questions.

- 1 Why did Ruby do her audition early?
Because the other student was late.
- 2 How long was Ruby's audition?

- 3 Why didn't Marco's parents give him the same present as his brother?

- 4 What did Marco's parents give him?

- 5 What was special for Keira about the party?

- 6 How did Keira know her dad was at the party?
