

English 8
Angus, Thongs and Full-Frontal Snogging
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December Chapter

In the December chapter, Mark touches Georgia's breast as he is walking her to school, Georgia's mother announces their plans for a potential move to New Zealand, setting off a family argument and Mark dumps Georgia before Georgia has the opportunity to dump him first; Mum's response is that Georgia did, after all, get what she wanted. The objectives of these questions are to discuss the effects Mark's actions have on Georgia emotionally; to discuss the effect of a change, like a move, would have on Georgia; and to discuss why Georgia is upset, even when she got what she wanted.

1. How does Georgia respond to what Mark does? What effect does it have on her emotionally? Did Georgia respond in the way that you would have expected her to? Why or why not?

2. Did this experience have a positive or negative effect on her? Why? In what ways might she have handled this situation better? Why? Do you think there will be any long-lasting effects from this incident? If so, what might they be?

3. How does Georgia respond to the news that she might be required to move? Why?

4. What effect would this move have on Georgia? Why is she so adamant about staying where she is? Are there any potential benefits to such a move? If so, what are they? Do you think the benefits would outweigh the drawbacks, or vice versa? Why? How might you respond in Georgia's situation? Why?

5. How does Georgia react to being dumped by Mark? What is Mum's response when Georgia tells her?

6. Why is Georgia upset, despite the fact that she got what she wanted, which was to break up with Mark?

7. If Georgia had dumped Mark, as she had planned, would she have felt differently about the breakup? If so, what would have been different? Was she more upset that she and Mark broke up, or was she simply upset that he beat her to the punch?

8. Why is it more painful to be dumped than to dump someone else? Is that always the case? Why or why not?
