

2020-2021

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Drive Time

Get an idea of who is speaking into the life of your kid by asking them who makes them feel important. Simply asking, "Who made you feel important this week?" will give you insight into the people whose voices your middle schooler is listening to and valuing in their lives right now.



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