# Mission Reflection

**Essential Questions:**

* How do members of immigrant families depend on each other and their community for support?
* How do immigrants balance their commitment to family and ethnic or religious traditions with their desire to assimilate, or explore the new opportunities and identities in America?

After completing Parts 2 and 3 of *City of Immigrants* (“Family First” and “A Night to Remember”), discuss these questions:

1. What work and chores did you do as Lena? Were these paid or unpaid? Why did you do them?
2. How did you spend your time when not working? What did you do for fun?
3. Was it hard or easy to balance commitments to family and religion with assimilating (that is, exploring a new identity as an American)? Why or why not?