Synopsis

Woody, Buzz and the whole gang are back. As their owner Andy prepares to depart for college, his loyal toys find themselves in daycare where untamed tots with their sticky little fingers do not play nice. So, it’s all for one and one for all as they join Barbie’s counterpart Ken, a thespian hedgehog named Mr. Pricklepants and a pink, strawberry-scented teddy bear called Lots-O’-Huggin’ Bear to plan their great escape.

Discussion Questions

• Toy Story 3 contains lots of exciting adventures. What was your favorite adventure? Why?
• If you could be friends with any of the toys in the movie, which one would you pick? What makes this toy special in your eyes?
• As the movie begins, Andy’s toys are trying to get his attention because he has grown up and become interested in other things. They feel alone and left behind. Have you ever had friends, like Andy, who began to have different interests and then grew apart from you? How did it make you feel?
• Lots-O’-Huggin’ Bear and the rest of the toys at Sunnyside Day Care seemed welcoming and kind at first to all of Andy’s toys. Why were the actions of the toys at Sunnyside Day Care different than what they said to Andy’s toys? Have you ever been misled by someone? Have you ever been the person who misled someone else? Why?
• Many of the toys at Sunnyside Day Care have stories of being forgotten or abandoned. Andy’s toys believe he has abandoned them, but soon realize that they were each special to him and he wanted to keep them all. Why do you think that being important to someone and loved by someone made Andy’s toys motivated and forgiving instead of sly and deceitful like some of the other toys? How do you act when you know people care about you?
• Toys who end up with Bonnie feel very lucky to be in her care. How does Bonnie play with her toys that makes them feel special? Why is the way she treats toys so important?
Activities

- Mr. Pricklepants is an actor and he makes certain that all the other toys are as focused on the “scene” as Bonnie, whether it be having tea or going on a wild adventure. Take the lead from Mr. Pricklepants and put on a play for someone who will truly enjoy it. You can act out a scene from your favorite book using puppets, some of your toys or even act it out with some of your friends.
- Pick out some of your favorite toys and then imagine what their personalities would be if they came to life. Write down or share with someone the story of how you imagine each of these toys came into your life and how they feel when they spend time with you.

Get Involved

- Toy Story 3 highlights the importance of toys in a child’s life. Toys don’t need to be big and fancy or brand new to provide tremendous comfort to a child in need. Round up some gently used toys from your home or collect new toys from members of the community. Donating these toys to a daycare, afterschool organization, shelter or children’s hospice can add a little comfort to some children who need it most.