

- ◊ All of the desks have been bolted to the floor. Why?
- ◊ The last school dance was...
- ◊ Hiding from homework
- ◊ Why I'm in favor of discipline
- ◊ Why weekends should be longer
- ◊ Your school's ten "most wanted" list
- ◊ A typical lunch hour
- ◊ A memorable bus ride
- ◊ Cliques in your school
- ◊ A dedicated teacher or coach
- ◊ A difficult practice
- ◊ My best class ever
- ◊ My hardest class
- ◊ A school field trip
- ◊ You're the guest speaker for your school's dedication. What will you say?

### **It could only happen to me!**

- ◊ Begin your autobiography.
- ◊ Talk about being scared!
- ◊ A narrow escape from trouble
- ◊ It sounds crazy, but...
- ◊ If only I would have done that differently!
- ◊ I've had enough!
- ◊ If only I would have listened!
- ◊ One day I woke up late and...
- ◊ An unwanted gift.
- ◊ Putting my foot in my mouth.
- ◊ When I was upside down.
- ◊ The possessions I feel are worth keeping
- ◊ You're buying the family groceries for the week. What will you buy?
- ◊ I got so mad when...
- ◊ You're a small child again. What are you like?
- ◊ A typical phone call goes like this...
- ◊ A meaningful gift I've given or received
- ◊ Fake illnesses I've "suffered" from
- ◊ Did you ever hear about the time when...
- ◊ What you've broken or lost that belongs to someone else
- ◊ I used to be...
- ◊ A song that means a lot to me

### **What If's...and How About's...?**

- ◊ What if your parents suddenly decided to move?
- ◊ What if all sports were dropped in your school?
- ◊ What are some of life's most useful objects?
- ◊ What inventions do you value?
- ◊ What should everyone know?

- ◊ What is on your wish list?
- ◊ What will you be like as a senior citizen?
- ◊ What objects symbolize American life? Why? (Think of things like the Liberty Bell, hamburgers, blue jeans.)
- ◊ What if rock music were banned?
- ◊ I don't understand why...
- ◊ Where do you draw the line?
- ◊ What do you find most interesting in people?
- ◊ Why is the past thought of as the "good old days?"
- ◊ Who needs more help—someone in your neighborhood or someone in another country?
- ◊ What is more valuable—a button or a can?
- ◊ Is it better to laugh or cry?
- ◊ What if you could skip a grade?
- ◊ What do you look for in a friend?
- ◊ How could TV be better?
- ◊ What are the differences between you and a student in Russia?
- ◊ What would you find if you opened one of your ancestor's closets?
- ◊ Laughter is...
- ◊ Rules are...

### **Quotable Quotes**

- ◊ "You'll never know how much I appreciate you, because I'll probably never tell you."
- ◊ "The smallest good deed is better than the grandest good intention."
- ◊ "More is not always better."
- ◊ "We all make mistakes."
- ◊ "Sometimes you have to go out on a limb."
- ◊ "Goofing off is a lost art."
- ◊ "We can't all be neat."
- ◊ "Prejudice is the child of ignorance."
- ◊ "Never take anything for granted."
- ◊ "Only the educated are free."
- ◊ "Someone who makes no mistakes does not usually make anything."
- ◊ "You can always tell a true friend; when you've made a fool of yourself, he or she doesn't feel you've done a permanent job."
- ◊ "When people are free to do as they please, they usually imitate each other."
- ◊ "Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects."
- ◊ "Power is always right, weakness always wrong."