

Molly's birthday is coming up this Tuesday. She will turn eleven. Her parents have asked her to write a list of all the presents she wants. She is having a party, and lots of people will be coming. Her grandparents are coming from California. Her best friend will be there. Her neighbor is coming and so are her cousins. Her mom said about twenty people will be coming. This means her wish list can be long!

Molly knows that she probably can't put everything she wants on the list. So, she doesn't include a white pony or trip to New Zealand. She also knows that she should be as specific as she can so she does not get a gross brown pen if she really wants a blue or yellow one. Her little brother tries to get Molly to add a new bike for him. She knows his birthday is just around the corner so she does not. Molly thinks and thinks about what to put on her list. Then, all of a sudden, she knows! She writes it very carefully. She uses her best handwriting. Then, she folds the paper in half. She gives it to her mother. Her mother is surprised it did not take Molly longer. She unfolds the paper and a huge smile appears on her face. She reads, "Magic tricks to make everyone's dreams come true." Molly's mom hugs her. She is proud and tells her that she is sweet for thinking of others on her own birthday.