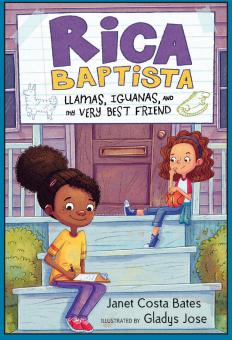
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- Rica tries to come up with a list of ways to prove she's responsible. What are some ways you could show the grown-ups in your life how responsible you are?
- Why is Rica so worried about Laini moving away? Do you have someone you would miss if they moved like Rica will miss Laini?
- Rica mentions all sorts of pets she might like to adopt. What would your choice of pet be?
- Rica is reluctant to enter the poetry contest, but she does when Serenity encourages her to participate, and she ends up winning second place! Has there ever been something that you didn't want to do but ultimately were glad you did?
- Serenity annoys Rica at first, but she's supportive of her when it counts. Do you think it's important to have friends and family who push you to try new things?

